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Bill No.	Topic	Summary of main provisions
AB 155 / SB 155	Resources	<p>Enacts several resources related provisions in the 2021-22 state budget.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Provides for the members of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to receive a five percent salary increase per year for each of the 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24 fiscal years (this is in addition to the cost-of-living increase provided for in current law).▪ Provides for the extension of eligibility for the existing fuel cell net energy metering tariff that electrical corporations have filed with the PUC from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2023.▪ Renames the Alternative and Renewable Fuels and Vehicle Technology program the Clean Transportation program and allows native tribes to compete for funding.▪ Continuously appropriates \$200 million Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund annually until 2028-29 for healthy forest and fire prevention programs and projects that improve forest health and reduce emissions of greenhouse gases caused by uncontrolled wildfires and for completion for prescribed fires and other fuel reduction projects.▪ Requires an agency, on or before April 1, 2022, and annually thereafter to report on all programs related to wildfires and forest resilience funded pursuant to the Budget Act of 2021 for purposes of informing the Legislature and the public on the agency's implementation of the funded programs.▪ Upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget act, makes available \$593 million in 2022-23 and \$175 million in 2023-24 to the Natural Resources Agency and its departments, conservancies, and boards, to support programs and activities that advance multibenefit and nature-based solutions to protect, enhance, or restore natural or modified ecosystems. Specifies that no less than \$60 million annually shall be available in 2022-23 and 2023-24 to support state conservancies.▪ Until January 1, 2025, exempts from CEQA projects that conserve, restore, protect, or enhance, and assist in the recovery of California native fish and wildlife, habitat upon which they depend or that restore or provide habitat for California native fish and wildlife.▪ Specifies that the environmental review set forth in the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Lower Klamath Project License Surrender, in combination with other environmental review documents, is conclusively presumed to satisfy the requirements of CEQA for any project for the removal of hydroelectric dams and associated facilities, along with associated restoration of formerly inundated lands, hatchery modifications, and implementation of mitigation measures in the Klamath River Basin.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget act, makes available \$350 million in 2022-23 and \$150 million in 2023-24 to the State Conservancy for grants or expenditures for the protection and restoration of coastal and ocean resources from the impacts of sea level rise and other impacts of climate change. ▪ Upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget act, makes available \$150 million annually in 2022-23 and 2023-24 to support programs and activities that mitigate extreme heat impacts. ▪ Upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget act, makes available \$25 million in 2022-23 and \$75 million in 2023-24 to the Office of Planning and Research (OPR), through the Integrated Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program for the establishment of a grant program for projects to mitigate the impacts of extreme heat or the urban heat island effect. ▪ Upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget act, makes available \$25 million in 2022-23 and \$75 million in 2023- 24 to the Strategic Growth Council, in coordination with OPR, for the establishment of a community resiliency centers grant program. ▪ Upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget act, makes available \$50 million 2022-23 to the Department of Conservation, in coordination with the Air Resources Board and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, for pilot projects in the Sierra Nevadas to create carbon-negative fuels from materials resulting from forest vegetation management. ▪ Allows the Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (also known as IBank) to provide financial assistance for projects related to wildfire prevention and resilience as well as agricultural improvements that reduce climate impacts. 15) Recycling Market Development Zone (RMDZ) Program. Authorizes the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to expend moneys in the Recycling Market Development Revolving Loan Subaccount in the Integrated Waste Management Account within areas outside of RMDZs where making the loan will benefit jurisdiction or assist a local jurisdiction. ▪ Upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget act, requires CalRecycle to administer the grant program to provide financial assistance to promote in-state development of infrastructure, food waste prevention, or other projects to reduce organic waste or process organic and other recyclable materials into new, value added products. ▪ Until January 1, 2023, exempts dealers (e.g. small grocery stores), which have gross annual sales of less than \$1.5 million and are less than 5,000 square feet, from requirements to either take back empty beverage containers for redemption or pay \$100 per day to CalRecycle if the dealer is within an unserved convenience zone. ▪ Expands the definition of “qualified entity” to include a tribal government or tribal organization, as specified, and revises the requirements of a grant recipient under the program. ▪ Expands the list of eligible funding recipients to include technical assistance providers, as defined, and provides that a privately owned public utility may serve as a technical assistance provider. ▪ Until December 31, 2021, prohibits all community water systems from discontinuing water service to customers due to nonpayment. ▪ Establishes specific reporting requirements for water extractions and diversions.
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AB 162 / SB 162	Labor	<p>Makes necessary changes to implement the Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF) Program as provided in the Budget Act of 2021.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Establishes the Community Economic Resilience Fund (CERF) Program, to be administered by the Workforce Services Branch at the Employment Development Department to provide financial support to establish highroad transition collaboratives to design region and industry specific economic recovery and transition strategies. The program will provide planning grants on a competitive basis to each region. The plans must address economic diversification, industry planning, workforce development and safety net programs, and must prioritize high-quality jobs and equitable access to them, while emphasizing the development of sustainable industries. The program will also provide competitive grants to implement the plans. Grant recipients must align with regional workforce needs by linking with high road training partnerships or high road construction career training programs. <p>▶ <i>The CERF Program is funded with \$600 million federal funds from the Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Fund of 2021.</i></p>
AB 163 / SB 163	General Government	Enacts technical clean-up to a variety of statutory provisions related to general government necessary to implement the Budget Act of 2021.
AB 165 / SB 165	State Employee MOUs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Makes necessary statutory changes to ratify and implement memoranda of understanding (MOU) side letters and addenda between the state and bargaining units (BUs) 7 and 8. The agreements cover state employees represented by two exclusive employee representatives, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – California State Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA): BU 7 – Protective Services and Public Safety – California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Firefighters, CAL FIRE Local 2881: BU 8 – California Firefighters

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AB 166 / SB 166	Cannabis	<p>Enacts various changes related to the Medicinal and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulations and Safety Act (MAUCRSA), including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Requires the Department of Cannabis Control (DCC) to develop and implement a program to provide waivers for application fees, licensing fees, and renewal fees required by January 1, 2022; ▪ Requires DCC to develop and implement a program to provide deferrals for application fees, licensing fees, and renewal fees by January 1, 2023; ▪ Deletes the term “local” in “local equity applicants and licensees” in the California Cannabis Equity Act of 2018; ▪ Provides specified criteria for classification as an equity applicant and licensees, including a requirement that applicants and licensees individually or in combination with other persons who qualify as equity applicants or licensees own no less than 50% of the business that is in the process of being licensed or is licensed; ▪ Appropriates \$10,000 from the General Fund to the DCC the purposes of implementing this measure.
AB 167 / SB 167	K-12 Education	<p>Makes clarifying changes and technical corrections associated with changes to K-12 Education programs adopted as part of the Budget Act of 2021, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Requires that the California Department of Education enter into contracts with county offices of education or a consortium of county offices for the development of each of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – A model curriculum related to the Vietnamese American refugee experience by September 1, 2024 – A model curriculum related to the Cambodian Genocide by September 1, 2024 – A model curriculum related to Hmong history and cultural studies by September 1, 2024 – A model curriculum related to Native American studies by September 1, 2025. <p>The model curricula developed pursuant to each of these contracts will be housed on the platform developed and maintained by the California History Social Science Project.</p> ▪ Makes the following changes related to Independent Study: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Specifies that local educational agencies may receive apportionment for students participating in independent study because of COVID-19 related quarantine, beginning on the first day of quarantine. – Specifies that a classroom-based charter school providing independent study to students who are unable to attend classes in person because of COVID-19 related quarantine is not required to count these students as non-classroom based charter school average daily attendance and is not required to file for a funding determination. – Clarifies that a local educational agency may obtain signed independent study master agreements up to 30 days after a student begins an independent study program. – Clarifies that synchronous instruction under independent study may be provided by the teacher of record or the certificated teacher of the local education agency providing instruction for course-based independent study.

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AB 168 / SB 168	Child Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ensures Emergency Foster Bridge child care providers and migrant alternative payment programs are eligible for various pandemic relief and child care funding. ▪ Provides authority to the Departments of Social Services and Education to determine if a time-based calculation adjustment is necessary for direct contracts shifting from the Standard Reimbursement Rate to the Regional Market Rate, beginning January 1, 2022, with notification to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, and provides rule-making authority to both administrative agencies. ▪ Various technical adjustments to appropriations to reflect actual federal funds available, encumbrance periods, and Education Code and Welfare and Institutions Code citations.
AB 169 / SB 169	Higher Education	<p>Makes necessary changes to implement the higher education provisions of the Budget Act of 2021, including creating two new programs – the Higher Education Student Housing Grant Program and Capacity Expansion Grant Program – to support affordable student housing at the UC, CSU and Community Colleges, and campus expansion projects at UC and CSU.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Appropriates \$500 million one-time General Fund in 2021-22 for student housing projects, includes legislative intent to provide \$750 million in 2022-23 and \$750 million in 2023-24 for this purpose. This appropriation and proposed funding will be divided as follows: 50 percent to CCCs, 30 percent to CSUs, and 20 percent to UCs. ▪ Creates a process for campuses to propose housing projects by October 2021 for inclusion in the subsequent budget act.

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<p>AB 170 / SB 170</p>	<p>Budget Bill, Jr. (No. 4)</p>	<p>Makes technical and substantive changes to the 2021-22 Budget Act, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Appropriates \$988 million (\$758 million General Fund and \$230 million Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF)) in 2021-22, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – \$541 million for Resilient Forests and Landscapes, including: \$159 million to CalFire for forest health; \$40 million to CalFire for the California Forest Improvement Program (for small landowners); \$10 million to CalFire for the California Forest Legacy Program; \$9 million to CalFire for the restoration nursery; \$20 million to CalFire for urban forestry; \$19 million to CalFire for tribal engagement; \$105 million to the Department of Parks and Recreation (Parks) for stewardship of state-owned lands; \$40 million to the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) for stewardship of state-owned lands; \$139 million for wildfire prevention and resilience purposes on state conservancy lands. – \$282 million for wildfire fuel breaks, including: \$40 million to CalFire for unit fire prevention projects; \$120 million to CalFire for fire prevention grants; \$35 million to CalFire for prescribed fire and hand crews; \$27 million to the California Conservation Corps (CCC) for the Forestry Corps and CCC residential centers. – \$20 million community hardening purposes, including: \$13 million to CalFire for defensible space inspectors; \$7 million to University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR) and the State Fire Marshal for land use planning and public education. – \$49 million for science-based management. – \$51 million for forestry sector economic stimulus, including: \$31 million to the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank) for the Climate Catalyst Fund and market strategy; \$2 million to Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) for the Climate Catalyst Fund and market strategy; \$18 million to CalFire for workforce development. – \$20 million to CalFire for a prescribed fire liability pilot program. – \$24 million for other wildfire prevention and resilience purposes, including: \$14 million to CalFire for Contract Counties to perform fuel reduction work and \$10 million to CalFire for an interagency forest data hub. ▪ Water Resilience Package. Appropriates \$855 million (\$730 million General Fund and \$125 million special fund) in 2021-22, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – \$120 million to the Department of Water Resources for implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. – \$10 million to the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) for the State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program. – \$130 million to DWR for flood protection purposes. – \$115 million to DWR for groundwater cleanup and water recycling. – \$100 million to the Wildlife Conservation Board for Streamflow Program (water supply for environmental flows).

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AB 171 / SB 171	Health	<p>Makes changes necessary to implement the Budget Act of 2021, affecting the budgets of the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), the State Department of Social Services, the California Department of Aging, the State Department of Public Health, the State Department of Developmental Services, the State Department of Rehabilitation (DOR), and the Department of Health Care Access and Information, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Requires DHCS, subject to an appropriation, to implement the state’s Medi-Cal Home and Community Based Services Spending Plan (Plan), contingent upon federal approval, and: 1) Stipulates that any payments received by an individual as part of these services shall not be counted as income and therefore shall not affect eligibility or benefits; 2) Authorizes DHCS to implement the Plan through all-county letters and other forms of communication, without developing regulations; 3) Exempts DHCS from statutory competitive contracting requirements for implementing this Plan; ▪ Requires DHCS, subject to an appropriation, to complete an independent evaluation of network adequacy necessary to obtain federal approval for a covered Medi-Cal benefit that provides housing support services, and requires DHCS to report the outcomes of the evaluation to the Legislature by January 1, 2024. Exempts DHCS from statutory competitive contracting requirements to implement this evaluation. ▪ Extends the sunset by one year, until January 1, 2023, on time and distance standards currently required of Medi-Cal managed care plans that ensure adequate access to these services. ▪ Appropriates \$6,434,000, for the 2021-22 fiscal year, from the Federal Trust Fund to DHCS to support community mental health services.
AB 172 / SB 172	Human Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Clarifies recently enacted changes to require a local child support agency to cease enforcement of child support arrearages assigned to the state and other fees and costs owed to the state when the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) or local child support agency has determined that the amount is uncollectible. ▪ Defines for the purposes of the California Community Care Facilities Act a “group home for children with special health care needs,” addressing an issue created as a result of a section of recently enacted law being chaptered out. ▪ Requires that, for purposes of determining the individuals who may access a juvenile case file, a qualified individual, as defined, be considered a member of the child’s multidisciplinary team. ▪ Requires the State Department of Social Services (DSS), subject to an appropriation for this purpose, to compile and report annual performance and outcome data on the implementation of sexual and reproductive health training and education and the availability and use of sexual and reproductive health care services. Requires enumerated performance and outcome data to be included in the report and would require the DSS to consult with an existing working group in selecting additional performance and outcome data measures to include in the report. Requires the report to be completed annually, beginning July 1, 2023, and to be posted on the department’s internet website.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Clarifies, commencing July 1, 2022, California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program rules regarding recipient and applicant family income, aligning to changes made in the Human Services Omnibus trailer bill, Assembly Bill 135 (Chapter 85, Statutes of 2021). Provides that a recipient family is not eligible for further aid if the family’s reasonably anticipated income, less exempt income, exceeds specified income reporting thresholds, and would also prohibit an applicant family from receiving aid if the family’s reasonably anticipated income, less exempt income, as specified, equals or exceeds the maximum aid payment. ▪ Aligns the \$47 per month benefit paid to a pregnant person qualified for CalWORKs aid, to meet special needs resulting from pregnancy, for both recipients and applicants. Requires the county human services agency to require a pregnant person to provide medical verification of pregnancy, as specified. ▪ Authorizes the State Department of Education and the DSS to share data for the limited purposes of administering the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) food benefit program, including, but not limited to, identifying eligible students and evaluating program outcomes. Authorizes this data sharing to continue until the P-EBT program is terminated by federal law or federal approval to administer the program expires. ▪ Abolishes the Office of Health Information Integrity and the Office of Patient Advocate, establishes the Center for Data Insights and Innovation (CDII) within the California Health and Human Services Agency, and transfers the duties of the Office of Health Information Integrity and the Office of Patient Advocate to the CDII. ▪ Establishes the Health Plan Improvement Trust Fund and, upon appropriation by the Legislature, make the moneys in the fund available to administer various duties relating to monitoring the quality of health care and patient experience. ▪ Repeals provisions that had authorized the California Health and Human Services Agency, or one of the departments under its jurisdiction, to apply for federal funds made available through the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) for health information technology and exchange, and that established the California Health Information Technology and Exchange Fund for these purposes. ▪ Deletes a requirement for the California Guaranteed Income Pilot Program, administered by the DSS, that the commitment of additional funds be from nongovernmental sources. Conditions the receipt of grant funds on the eligible entity presenting a plan to provide certain benefits counseling and informational materials to individuals receiving guaranteed income payments funded with a grant. ▪ Requires the DSS to administer the Career Pathways Program for providers of in-home supportive services, related services, or waiver personal care services, to increase the quality of care, recruitment and retention of providers for recipients and to provide training opportunities for career advancement in the home care and health care industries. Requires implementation of the program as a pilot project no later than September 1, 2022, or as soon as necessary automation changes permit, and would remain operative until March 31, 2024, or until a later date, subject to an appropriation. ▪ Requires the DSS to review and approve proposed training curriculum, enter into agreements with qualified third-party entities, and determine the methodology and distribution of appropriated funds.
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		<p>Specifies that the provider participation in the training would be voluntary and at no cost to providers, and providers would be compensated for each hour of training, without requiring counties or public authorities to provide any funding for the training compensation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Requires the DSS to contract with another entity to complete an evaluation of the Career Pathways Program. Requires the submission of an interim report, as specified, to the Legislature by March 1, 2023, with a final report of the evaluation of the pilot project submitted to the Legislature by December 31, 2024. ▪ Establishes the Community Care Expansion (CCE) Program, under which the DSS would award grants, upon appropriation of funds in the annual Budget Act and as specified in the annual Budget Act, to qualified grantees to preserve or expand capacity of residential adult and senior care facilities through the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of property, or to grantees to provide capitalized operating subsidy reserves to existing licensed residential adult and senior care facilities that serve at least one qualified resident, in order to avoid the closure of facilities, and to increase the acceptance of new qualified residents. ▪ Defines “qualified resident” for the CCE Program to mean applicants for or recipients of benefits in the Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Program for the Aged, Blind and Disabled (SSI/SSP) or Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI) who need the care and supervision that is provided by the licensed facility that receives the grant. ▪ Requires the DSS to develop criteria for the CCE program, including the methodology and distribution of the funds awarded to grantees under the program. Requires funds awarded pursuant to the program to be used to supplement, and not supplant, other funding available from existing local, state, or federal programs or from grants with similar purposes. ▪ Expands the exclusion related to a low-rent housing project to include the development of an adult or senior care facility that meets one or more of specified criteria.
AB 173 / SB 173	Public Safety	<p>Enacts various provisions related to firearms, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Extends existing prohibition of weapons provisions at the State Capitol and State Office Buildings to the new legislative office building/hearing space located at 1021 O Street in Sacramento. ▪ Clarifies the process and parameters of disclosure of specified information to the California Firearm Violence Research Center at UC Davis by the Department of Justice (DOJ) for research or statistical activities, including establishing a reasonable fee associated with responding to information requests. ▪ Makes technical amendments to avoid chaptering issues with SB 715 (Portantino, 2021). ▪ Appropriates \$10,000 to DOJ to implement provisions related to firearm information access for the purposes of research.
AB 174 / SB 174	Vehicles/transportation	<p>Enacts several transportation related provisions in the 2021-22 state budget.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Deletes the requirements that the Department of Motor Vehicles publish and distribute copies of the complete text of the Vehicle Code and makes various conforming changes.

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<p>AB 175 / SB 175</p>	<p>Housing-related issues</p>	<p>Enacts several housing related provisions in the 2021-22 state budget.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Makes technical amendments to the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program that will affect the third and fourth rounds of project funding provided in the 2021-22 Budget. ▪ Makes technical amendments to the REAP Grant program included in AB 140 (Committee on Budget), Chapter 111, Statutes of 2021, including specifying that a grant recipient shall obligate funds no later June 30, 2024, and expend funds no later than June 30, 2026. Additionally, this bill extends from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2026, the timeline for submitting a final report for a grant recipient. ▪ Makes the following changes to SB 1079 (Skinner), Chapter 202, Statutes of 2020, to ensure smooth implementation of the law while closing potential loopholes for fraud. Changes include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Specifying the form of affidavit or declaration that prospective bidders in a foreclosure auction must use to attest to their status, in order to ensure that a uniform and legally binding form is used. The form is set forth in longstanding Code of Civil Procedure Section 2015.5. – Closing loopholes that might allow a foreclosed-on owner to reacquire their property, such as if the owner had held the property in a living trust prior to foreclosure. – Ensuring that foreclosure trustees have bidders' phone numbers and addresses. – Clarifying that foreclosure trustees must not provide prospective bidders with any information beyond what is specified in statute, in order to ensure an equal chance for all bidders. – Clarifying that bids, and notices of intent to bid, must be received by foreclosure trustees no later than 5 p.m. on the required date. – Providing foreclosure trustees additional time to record deeds. – Establishing an effective date of January 1, 2022 in order to give foreclosure trustees, as well as prospective bidders (including community land trusts, affordable housing providers, other nonprofits, and public entities that seek to utilize the law) time to adjust their processes.

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AB 176 / SB 176	Economic Development	<p>Includes changes necessary to implement the 2021 Budget Act related to economic development, including business and taxation issues, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Debt Collections. Limits the ability of the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) to collect court-ordered and vehicle-related debt from individuals who earn low wages or have low bank account balances, consistent with existing limitations on private debt collectors. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Sets the maximum amount of wages that can be garnished as the lesser of 25 percent of wages or 50 percent of the amount by which the individual’s wages exceed a full-time (40 hours per week) minimum wage job, as specified in CCP 706.050, established by SB 501 (2015) – Specifies that an amount of money equal to the minimum basic standard of care for a family of four (as determined by the Department of Social Services and adjusted each year) is exempt from collection, as specified in CCP 704.220, established by SB 616 (2019). ▪ COVID-19 Relief Grant Programs Tax Exemptions. Aligns the tax exemption status and grant recapture ability for the California Microbusiness COVID-19 Relief Grant Program and the California Venues Grant Program with the California Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant Program. Specifically, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Provides a corporate tax exemption for grants from the California Microbusiness COVID-19 Relief Grant Program, which was already exempted from personal income tax. – Provides corporate and personal income tax exemptions for grants from the California Venues Grant Program. – Specifies that grants from all programs may be recaptured if the receiving entities do not meet the eligibility criteria.

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AB 177 / SB 177	Courts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Additional Court-Related Fee Reform/Repeal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Effective January 1, 2022, eliminates an additional 17 criminal justice administrative fees and vacates all previously levied debt for those same fees. Fees proposed for elimination include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Penal Code § 1001.15 - Felony diversion program for controlled substances ○ Penal Code § 1001.16 - Misdemeanor diversion program for controlled substances ○ Penal Code § 1001.90 - Diversion restitution ○ Penal Code § 1202.4(l) - Restitution fine collection ○ Penal Code § 1203.1(l) - Restitution collection ○ Penal Code § 1203.1ab - Substance Abuse Testing Fee ○ Penal Code § 1203.1c - Incarceration in county or city jail ○ Penal Code § 1203.1m - Prison Detention Fee ○ Penal Code § 1203.4a - Dismissal ○ Penal Code § 1203.9 - Supervision Transfer Fee ○ Penal Code § 1205€ - Installment processing fee for fines ○ Penal Code § 1214.5 - Probation Restitution Interest ○ Penal Code § 2085.5 - Restitution collection from inmates ○ Penal Code § 2085.6 - Restitution collection from postrelease community supervision ○ Penal Code § 2085.7 - Restitution collection from individual released from custody ○ Vehicle Code § 40508.5 - Civil assessment (vehicle) ○ Vehicle Code § 40510.5 - Civil assessment (vehicle)/installment processing – Appropriates \$25 million in 2021-22 to backfill counties' associated revenue loss; appropriates \$50 million annually beginning in 2022-23 for full-year backfill. – States legislative intent to establish, no later than March 1, 2022, a methodology for distributing the county backfill. – Makes various technical amendments associated with AB 1869 (2020) and AB 143 (2021). ▪ Increases the fees for original transcripts prepared by official court reporters and court reporters pro tempore. ▪ Codifies, until January 31, 2022, the Judicial Council's authority to take actions necessary to respond to the emergency conditions caused by COVID-19 (as originally extended by the Governor on March 27, 2020 in Executive Order N-38-20).

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Directs the Judicial Council to examine the use of remote technology in civil court proceedings and report to the Legislature by January 1, 2023 with recommendations on specific considerations and factors; requires the convening of a working group to recommend a statewide framework for remote civil court proceedings that addresses equal and fair access to justice; specifies composition of the working group to include judges; attorneys, including court-appointed dependency counsel; and a variety of other stakeholders.▪ Enacts various provisions to avoid chaptering out issues.
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