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TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Enclosed is a summary of bills introduced in the 2011-2012 legislative session that impact local government. The summary includes a brief description and final status of all bills, divided into four main categories: Land Use and Housing; Local Government Finance; Local Powers and Duties; and, Open Meetings & Conflict of Interest. For quick and easy reference, please see the table of contents in the front of this document or the index located at the end.

Bills marked with an asterisk (*) were amended and subsequently utilized as vehicles for other bill proposals, some of which stayed within the Committee's jurisdiction. Bills marked with a double asterisk (**) are related to the topic areas of this Committee, but were not referred to the Committee.

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Sincerely,

Cameron Smyth, Chair
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**LAND USE AND HOUSING**

**AB 14 (Wieckowski) Redevelopment: Fremont Redevelopment Agency.**
Would have authorized the Fremont Redevelopment Agency to adopt a redevelopment plan for a project area encompassing or surrounding the New United Motor Manufacturing, Inc. automobile manufacturing plant and the Warm Springs Bay Area Rapid Transit station and would have established alternative conditions that cause blight for the purpose of adopting the plan. **Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

**AB 31 (Beall) Land use: high speed rail: local master plans.**
Would have established the High-Speed Rail Local Master Plan Pilot Program, applicable to specified cities and counties, and would have authorized each of those jurisdictions to prepare and adopt, by ordinance, a master plan for development in the areas surrounding the high-speed rail system in each jurisdiction. **Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

**AB 49 (Gatto) Development: expedited review process.**
Would have recreated the Office of Permit Assistance under the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) in order to help facilitate state and local level review of commercial and industrial development projects. **Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

**AB 147 (Dickinson) Subdivisions.**
Authorizes a local ordinance to require the payment of a fee subject to the Mitigation Fee Act as a condition of approval of a final map or as a condition of issuing a building permit for purposes of defraying the actual or estimated cost of constructing other transportation facilities. **Status:** Chapter 228, Statutes of 2011

**AB 208 (Fuentes) Land use: subdivision maps: expiration dates.**
Extends the expiration date by 24 months for specified subdivision maps that will expire on or before January 1, 2014, and for any legislative, administrative or other approval by a state agency relating to a development project in the subdivision. **Status:** Chapter 88, Statutes of 2011
AB 330 (Norby)  
**Local agencies: redevelopment.**
Would have established a specified procedure by which the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Attorney General, and the courts would have handled major audit violations.  **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government.  Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 342 (Atkins)  
**Office of Planning and Research.**
Requires OPR to serve as the state’s liaison with the United States Department of Defense in order to facilitate coordination regarding issues that are of significant interest to the Department, particularly with regard to any proposed federal Base Realignment and Closure actions, and requires OPR to perform specified duties in this capacity.  **Status:** Chapter 395, Statutes of 2012

AB 343 (Atkins)  
**Redevelopment plans: environmental goals.**
Would have required every redevelopment plan to consider and identify strategies for how redevelopment projects would have helped to attain climate, air quality and energy conservation goals identified in SB 375 (Steinberg), Chapter 728, Statutes of 2008, or the applicable regional greenhouse gas emission reductions targets.  **Status:** In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance:  Set, second hearing.  Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 418 (Ammiano)  
**Tidelands and submerged lands: San Francisco: Pier 70.**
Authorizes the State Lands Commission to approve and effectuate a land exchange involving public trust lands within the Pier 70 area in San Francisco for the purpose of facilitating the Port of San Francisco's redevelopment plans, and frees the public trust restrictions from Seawall Lot 330 in San Francisco and authorizes the transfer of the property to a private party.  **Status:** Chapter 477, Statutes of 2011

AB 441 (Monning)  
**Transportation planning.**
Requires the California Transportation Commission to attach to its guidelines for preparing regional transportation plans a summary of policies, practices, or projects that promote health that metropolitan planning organizations can use in regional transportation plans.  **Status:** Chapter 365, Statutes of 2012

AB 445 (Carter)  
**Redevelopment.**
Would have required that a redevelopment agency, despite proposed changes to redevelopment law in the state budget, would have continued in full force and effect with respect to a military base reuse project under the jurisdiction of that agency.  **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government.  Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 484 (Alejo)  
**Land use: transfer of long-term management funds.**
Would have clarified that funds set aside for the long-term management of mitigation lands conveyed to a nonprofit organization may also be conveyed to the nonprofit, and would have authorized the nonprofit to hold, manage, invest, and disburse the funds for management and
stewardship of the land or easement for which the funds were set aside. Status: In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: hearing postponed by committee.

**AB 485 (Ma) Infrastructure financing.** *
Would have allowed local officials to divert property tax increment revenues to pay for public facilities and amenities within transit village development districts. **Status:** Ordered to Senate Inactive File.

**AB 502 (Bonilla) Land use: general plan: housing element.** *
Would have authorized Contra Costa County and the City of Concord to establish the Concord Naval Weapons Station Reuse Authority to plan for, finance, and manage the transition of the property formerly known as the Concord Naval Weapons Station from military to civilian use. **Status:** Referred to Committee on Local Government. From committee chair, with author’s amendments.

**AB 502 (Bonilla) Alternative Voluntary Redevelopment Program: military bases.**
Would have exempted a participating community from being required to remit any amounts that are calculated based on tax increment revenues received for a project area that includes within its boundaries a military base that has been closed or realigned by the federal government. **Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

**AB 542 (Allen) Land use: housing element: regional housing need.** *
Would have allowed a county, in its determination of whether sites included in the county’s inventory of land could accommodate some of its share of the regional housing need, to use densities less than existing law to accommodate lower-income households, in specified circumstances. **Status:** In Senate Committee on Transportation and Housing: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

**AB 542 (Allen) Land use: housing element.**
Would have updated housing element law to replace references to redevelopment agency housing resources with references to housing successor agency resources. **Status:** Read second time. Ordered to third reading. Re-referred to Senate Committee on Rules pursuant to Senate Rule 29.10(c).

**AB 602 (Olsen) Local government: housing.**
Would have, commencing January 1, 2012, until January 1, 2017, authorized any local government that has received a confirmation of compliance from the Department of Housing and Community Development, and that updated its housing element not more than every five years, to delay until the next scheduled revision date a revision to that local government's housing element. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government. Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

**AB 662 (Hueso) San Diego County Regional Airport Authority.** *
Would have exempted from the military airport inclusion requirement the preparation, adoption, or amendment by the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority of an airport land use
compatibility plan for the City of Coronado. **Status:** *Ordered to Assembly Inactive File at the request of Assembly Member Hueso.*

**AB 662 (Hueso)  Airport land use compatibility plans.*  
Would have required that an airport land use compatibility plan adopted by a county airport land use commission be consistent with the safety and noise standards in an Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) if the AICUZ was adopted on or after January 1, 2012, pursuant to a public process that provided for reasonable public comment and participation resulted in adoption of an environmental impact statement pursuant to the federal National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended. **Status:** *Died on Assembly Inactive File.*

**AB 679 (Allen)  Land use: housing element.*  
Would have allowed Napa County, until October 31, 2022, to meet up to 15% of its existing share of the regional housing need for lower-income households by committing funds for the construction of affordable housing units, and constructing those units in one or more cities within the county. **Status:** *In Senate Committee on Transportation and Housing: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.*

**AB 710 (Skinner)  Local planning: infill and transit-oriented development.*  
Would have established minimum parking standards for new transit-oriented development. **Status:** *Ordered to Senate third reading. Read third time. Refused passage.*

**AB 781 (John A. Pérez)  Preservation of lands: open-space subventions.*  
Would have authorized a city, county, or city and county to accept contributions from public and private entities to compensate for a reduction in state subvention payments for the Williamson Act. **Status:** *In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Hearing postponed by committee.*

**AB 781 (John A. Pérez)  Local government: counties: unincorporated areas.*  
Would have provided the affected county of a city to be disincorporated an opportunity not to disincorporate the city if the county found, based on evidence in the record, that specified financial difficulties exist in the city; would have provided that upon disincorporation a community services district was to be formed in order to provide specified services to the territory of the disincorporated city; and, would have detailed the specific actions the affected county would have taken upon disincorporation of the city. **Status:** *Ordered to Senate Inactive File pursuant to Senate Rule 29.*

**AB 936 (Hueso)  Redevelopment: debt forgiveness.*  
Requires a public body or a redevelopment agency to adopt a resolution prior to forgiving a loan, advance, or indebtedness. **Status:** *Chapter 226, Statutes of 2011*

**AB 1016 (Achadjian)  Nuisance: landfill activities.*  
Would have provided that no landfill activity, operation, or facility, or appurtenances thereof, in operation for more than three years, and conducted or maintained for commercial purposes
in a manner consistent with proper and accepted customs and standards, would become a nuisance due to any changed condition in the locality if it was not a nuisance at the time it began, except as specified. **Status:** Amend and re-refer to Assembly Committee on Rules.

**AB 1103 (Huffman)  Land use: housing element.**
Adds units on foreclosed property to the types of existing units a local government can count towards meeting housing element obligations if the local government provides funding to make the units affordable to low- and very low-income households for at least 40 years.
**Status:** Chapter 210, Statutes of 2011

**AB 1170 (Alejo) Redevelopment Agency of Watsonville: Manabe-Ow Site.**
Would have authorized the planning commission or city council of the City of Watsonville to amend a specified preliminary plan and redevelopment plan to add described territory, referred to as the Manabe-Ow site. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government. Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

**AB 1198 (Norby) Land use: housing element: regional housing need assessment.**
Would have repealed the requirement that the Department of Housing and Community Development determine the existing and projected need for housing for each region and other provisions relating to the assessment or allocation of regional housing need. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government. Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

**AB 1216 (Fuentes) Land use: assisted housing developments.**
Would have given tenants and affected public entities the ability to enforce the provisions of law requiring owners of assisted housing developments to give affordable housing developers and others the right to make an offer to purchase the development in order to preserve its affordability when the owner does not intend to extend or renew participation in a subsidy program.
**Status:** Vetoed

**AB 1220 (Alejo) Land use and planning: cause of actions: time limitations.**
Would have allowed an entity in support of affordable housing to challenge a housing element or certain city or county housing ordinances within three years of adoption.
**Status:** Vetoed

**AB 1234 (Norby) Redevelopment agencies: financing.**
Would have prohibited redevelopment agencies from using specified revenue for the promotion, recruitment, or retention of any professional sports team, or any related activity, or for the development, planning, design, site acquisition, subdivision, financing, leasing, construction, operation, or maintenance of infrastructure, related to the occupancy, recruitment, or retention of any professional sports team. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Housing and Community Development. Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.
AB 1250 (Alejo)  Redevelopment: planning.  
Would have modified the calculation of the remittance to the Special District Allocation Fund for a community participating in an alternative voluntary redevelopment program for the 2012-13 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter.  
**Status:**  Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government.  Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

Authorizes a county, until January 1, 2015, in any fiscal year in which payments authorized for reimbursement to a county for lost revenue from Williamson Act contracts is less than one-half of the county's actual foregone general fund property tax revenue, to revise the terms for new contracts.  
**Status:**  Chapter 90, Statutes of 2011

AB 1266 (Nielsen)  Local government: agricultural preserves: advisory board.  
Would have specified matters on which Williamson Act advisory boards could advise the legislative body of a city or county.  
**Status:**  Ordered to Senate Inactive File at the request of Senator La Malfa.

AB 1317 (Norby)  Community development: plan consistency.  
Would have required, in addition to consistency with the general plan, that a redevelopment plan be consistent with any specific plan for which the community has adopted for the same territory.  
**Status:**  Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government.  Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 1338 (R.Hernández) Redevelopment.  
Requires, on or after January 1, 2012, a redevelopment agency to obtain an appraisal from a qualified independent appraiser to determine the fair market value of property before the agency acquires or purchases property.  
**Status:**  Chapter 299, Statutes of 2011

AB 1484 (Budget)  Community redevelopment.  
Addresses numerous issues related to the dissolution of redevelopment agencies and related matters necessary for the implementation of the Budget Act of 2012.  
**Status:**  Chapter 26, Statutes of 2012

AB 1486 (Lara)  California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System.  
Exempts the Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System project from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as specified, under certain conditions.  
**Status:**  Chapter 690, Statutes of 2012

AB 1515 (Torres)  State property: conveyance: City of Pomona.  
Would have authorized the City of Pomona to convey to the Consolidated Fire Protection
District of the County of Los Angeles a portion of former state surplus property.

**Status:** Read second time. Ordered to third reading. Re-referred to Senate Rules Committee.

**AB 1549 (Gatto)**  Development: expedited permit review.
Would have recreated the Office of Permit Assistance under OPR in order to help facilitate state and local level review of commercial and industrial development projects. **Status:** In Assembly Committee on Appropriations: Set, second hearing. Held under submission.

**AB 1555 (Norby)**  Redevelopment: debt forgiveness.
Would have prohibited an oversight board responsible for the wind-down of a redevelopment agency to require the successor agency to forgive a loan, advance, or indebtedness that is owed to the dissolved agency by a private body. **Status:** Ordered to Assembly Inactive File.

**AB 1585 (John A. Pérez)**  Community development.
Transfers to the Department of Housing and Community Development the responsibility to perform housing functions in the territorial jurisdiction of a former redevelopment agency, if there is no local housing authority in that jurisdiction, the local housing authority selected does not accept the responsibility for performing housing functions, or certain local housing authorities vote, on or before February 15, 2012, to transfer that responsibility to the department due to financial hardship. **Status:** Chapter 777, Statutes of 2012

**AB 1614 (Monning)**  Fort Ord Reuse Authority.
Extends the statutory sunset date for the Fort Ord Reuse Authority. **Status:** Chapter 743, Statutes of 2012

Would have enacted the California Military Base Reuse and Preservation Act of 2012. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committee on Local Government.

**AB 1686 (Jeffries)**  Waterways: Lake Mathews.
Would have required the Department of Boating and Waterways to allow public access, as prescribed, to Lake Mathews, a reservoir in Riverside County, for the purposes of boating, fishing, and hiking, including access by nonmotorized bicycles. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Water, Parks and Wildlife and Local Government. In Committee on Water, Parks and Wildlife: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

**AB 1801 (Campos)**  Land use: fees.
Prohibits a city or county from basing the calculation of a permit fee for the installation of a solar energy system on the valuation of the system, or any other factor not directly associated with the cost to issue the permit, and requires the city or county to separately identify each fee assessed on the applicant for the installation of the system on the invoice provided to the applicant. **Status:** Chapter 538, Statutes of 2012

**AB 1828 (Bonilla)**  Land use: Concord Naval Weapons Reuse Authority.
Would have authorized Contra Costa County and the City of Concord to establish the Concord Naval Weapons Station Reuse Authority to plan for, finance, and manage the transition of the property formerly known as the Concord Naval Weapons Station from military to civilian use. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committee on Local Government.

**AB 1847 (B. Lowenthal) City of Long Beach: grant of public trust lands.**  
Grants and conveys in trust to the City of Long Beach all the rights, title, and interest of the state in public trust lands known as the Bixby Park Public Trust Parcels, the Colorado Lagoon Public Trust Parcels, and the Marine Stadium Channel Public Trust Parcels. **Status:** Chapter 118, Statutes of 2012

**AB 1897 (Campos) Land use: general plan: healthy food element.**  
Would have authorized OPR to prepare and amend the guidelines for the preparation of and the content of the mandatory elements required in city and county general plans to contain advice, developed in consultation with the California Department of Food and Agriculture, for improving the health of Californians by increasing access to healthy affordable food. **Status:** In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

**AB 1927 (Jones) Easements: maintenance arbitration.**  
Authorizes the owner of a right-of-way easement to seek a judgment from a small claims court determining proportionate liability of each owner for maintenance costs, if the amount of controversy is within the jurisdictional limits of the small claims court. **Status:** Chapter 244, Statutes of 2012

**AB 1965 (Pan) Land use.**  
Revises provisions contained in SB 1278 (Wolk, 2012), related to planning and zoning for flood protection in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley. **Status:** Chapter 554, Statutes of 2012

**AB 1998 (Achadjian) County surplus property.**  
Authorizes the board of supervisors to allow county welfare directors to donate surplus computer equipment directly to persons receiving specified public benefits. **Status:** Chapter 245, Statutes of 2012

**AB 2018 (Norby) Local planning: discrimination against religious corporations.**  
Would have prohibited any city, county, city and county, or other local governmental agency from, in the enactment or administration of any zoning ordinance or permitting process, discriminating against any religious corporation, or any religious corporation’s affiliation with a superior religious body or general church. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Judiciary. In Committee on Local Government: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.
AB 2238 (Perea)  Public water systems: drinking water. *
Would have allowed local agency formation commissions (LAFCOs), in their municipal service reviews, to assess alternatives for improving efficiency and affordability of infrastructure and service delivery for drinking water and wastewater services, and would have added new requirements to the Department of Public Health (DPH) for programs related to small community water systems. **Status: In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Hearing postponed by committee.**

AB 2257 (Achadjian)  Nuisances: landfill activities.
Would have provided that a commercial waste management facility that has been in operation for more than three years and has otherwise been in compliance with applicable rules and standards may not be deemed a nuisance if it was not a nuisance when operation began. **Status: In Assembly Committee on Local Government: Set, second hearing. Hearing cancelled at the request of author.**

AB 2308 (Torres)  Land use: housing element: regional housing need.
Allows a city or county to reduce its share of the regional housing need by the number of units built between the start of the projection period and the deadline for adoption of the housing element. **Status: Chapter 58, Statutes of 2012**

AB 2351 (Gordon)  Williamson Act: cancellation: fees.
Would have required a landowner wishing to cancel a Williamson Act contract to pay a refundable 5% cancellation fee. **Status: Ordered to Senate Inactive File pursuant to Senate Rule 29.**

AB 2624 (Smyth)  Sustainable communities.
Would have added LAFCOs to the list of eligible applicants for financial assistance grants and loans made by the Strategic Growth Council for the purpose of developing, adopting, and implementing a regional plan or other planning instrument to support the planning and development of sustainable communities. **Status: In Senate Committee on Appropriations: Held under submission.**

AB 2649 (Ammiano)  Tidelands and submerged lands: San Francisco: seawall lots.
Adds seawall lots 322-1 and 377 to the list of seawall lots no longer needed for specified trust purposes, and authorizes the Port of San Francisco to lease those lots for nontrust purposes. **Status: Chapter 757, Statutes of 2012**

Deletes the sunset date of January 1, 2013, for Williamson Act lot line adjustments. **Status: Chapter 128, Statutes of 2012**
ABx1 26 (Blumenfield)  Community development. **
Makes various changes to state laws to implement provisions relating to redevelopment in the
2011-12 budget agreement, and eliminates redevelopment agencies and directs the resolution of
their activities.
**Status:  Chapter 5, Statutes of 2011-12 First Extraordinary Session

ABx1 27 (Blumenfield)  Voluntary Alternative Redevelopment Program. **
Makes various changes to state laws to implement provisions relating to redevelopment in the
2011-12 Budget Act, and creates an Alternative Voluntary Redevelopment Program for cities or
counties to opt into.
**Status:  Chapter 6, Statutes of 2011-12 First Extraordinary Session

SB 152 (Pavley)  Public lands: general leasing law: littoral landowners.
Requires the State Lands Commission to charge rent for a private recreational pier constructed on
state lands.
**Status:  Chapter 585, Statutes of 2011

SB 226 (Simitian)  Land use planning.
Revises the scoping procedure, under CEQA, by authorizing referral of a proposed action to
adopt or substantially amend a general plan to a city or county to be conducted concurrently with
a scoping meeting and establishes exemption and limits to environmental review under CEQA
for specific projects and provides that the thermal power plant certification process will be
applicable to owners or specific proposed solar thermal power plants who are proposing to
convert the facility from solar thermal to photovoltaic technologies.
**Status:  Chapter 469, Statutes of 2011

SB 244 (Wolk)  Land use: general plan: disadvantaged unincorporated
communities.
Requires cities, counties, and LAFCOs to plan for disadvantaged unincorporated communities.
**Status:  Chapter 513, Statutes of 2011

SB 267 (Rubio)  Water supply planning: renewable energy plants.
Excludes a proposed photovoltaic or wind energy generation facility approved on or after the
effective date from the definition of a “project” subject to a water supply assessment if the
facility would demand no more than 75 acre feet of water annually.
**Status:  Chapter 588, Statutes of 2011

SB 310 (Hancock)  Local development.
Allows cities and counties to create incentives for transit priority projects.
**Status:  Chapter 446, Statutes of 2011

SB 436 (Kehoe)  Land use: mitigation lands: nonprofit organizations.
Authorizes a state or local agency to allow a qualified and approved nonprofit organization or
special district to hold property and long-term stewardship funds to mitigate adverse impacts to
natural resources caused by a permitted development project.
Status: Chapter 590, Statutes of 2011
SB 469 (Vargas)  Land use: development project review: superstores.
Would have required a city or county to prepare economic impact reports before it approves or disapproves the construction or conversion of superstore retailers.  
Status: Vetoed

SB 551 (DeSaulnier)  State property: tidelands transfer: City of Pittsburg.
Repeals the 2006 public trust grant made to the City of Pittsburg and makes a new grant that includes the lands from the 2006 grant as well as lands annexed to the City in 2009.  
Status: Chapter 422, Statutes of 2011

SB 618 (Wolk)  Local government: Williamson Act: solar-use easement.
Allows a city or county and a landowner to concurrently rescind a Williamson Act contract on marginally productive or physically impaired lands and enter into a solar-use easement that restricts the use of land to photovoltaic solar facilities.  
Status: Chapter 596, Statutes of 2011

SB 654 (Steinberg)  Redevelopment.
Would have revised the definition of the term "enforceable obligation" and would have modified provisions relating to the transfer of housing funds and responsibilities associated with dissolved redevelopment agencies.  Status: Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government.

SB 668 (Evans)  Local government: Williamson Act.
Allows a city or county, in order to compensate for a reduction in state subvention payments for the Williamson Act, to accept contributions from a nonprofit, a land-trust organization, a nonprofit entity, or a public agency for specific land that is under a Williamson Act contract to supplement the city or county's foregone property tax revenues.  
Status: Chapter 254, Statutes of 2011

SB 847 (Correa)  Medical Marijuana Program: zoning restrictions: residential use.
Would have prohibited any medical marijuana entity that possesses, cultivates, or distributes medical marijuana from locating within 600 feet of a residential area unless a local ordinance has been adopted to specifically regulate the location of these entities in relation to residential use.  
Status: Vetoed

SB 878 (DeSaulnier)  Regional planning: Bay Area. *
Would have required the Joint Policy Committee, comprised of four Bay Area regional entities, to submit reports to the Legislature by January 31, 2014, describing policies and strategies for a regional sustainable communities program, for the development of a regional economic development strategy, and for public participation in regional programs.  Status: From Assembly Committee on Local Government: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Natural Resources.
SB 1094 (Kehoe)  
**Land use: mitigation lands: nonprofit organizations.**
Modifies provisions related to mitigation agreements and the entities that may hold endowments dedicated to mitigation lands, and expands the eligible entities authorized to hold title, manage property, and hold endowments related to mitigation lands.

**Status: Chapter 705, Statutes of 2012**

SB 1151 (Steinberg)  
**Sustainable Economic Development and Housing Trust Fund: long-range asset management plan.**
Would have created an alternative process by which communities could use their former redevelopment agencies’ assets for specified economic development and housing purposes.

**Status: Referred to the Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government.**

SB 1222 (Leno)  
**Solar energy: regulations.**
Places a cap on the amount of permit fees charged by a city or county for both residential rooftop solar energy systems and commercial rooftop solar energy systems, unless a city or county makes written findings and adopts a resolution or ordinance providing substantial evidence of the reasonable cost to issue the permit and why the cost exceeds the specified caps.

**Status: Chapter 614, Statutes of 2012**

SB 1241 (Kehoe)  
**Land use: general plan: safety element: fire hazard impacts.**
Requires cities and counties to address fire risk for state responsibility areas and very high fire hazard severity zones in general plan updates and subdivision approvals, and requires OPR to update CEQA Guidelines and General Plan Guidelines.

**Status: Chapter 311, Statutes of 2012**

SB 1245 (Alquist)  
**Santa Clara Stadium Authority: enforceable obligations.**
Would have specified that the Santa Clara Redevelopment Agency's commitment of funds for the Santa Clara stadium is an "enforceable obligation" for purposes of winding down the affairs of the dissolved redevelopment agency and making payments due for enforceable obligations.

**Status: Re-referred to Assembly Committee on Appropriations.**

SB 1278 (Wolk)  
**Planning and zoning: Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley.**
Revises flood hazard planning and development requirements for those cities and counties located in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley.

**Status: Chapter 553, Statutes of 2012**

SB 1383 (E. Hernández) **Local government: sales of specific water utility property.**
Would have authorized the City of El Monte in the County of Los Angeles to sell or transfer its water utility, subject to certain requirements, and without voter approval.

**Status: Referred to Assembly Committee on Local Government.**
SB 1501 (Kehoe)  Open-space easements.  
Amends the Open Space Easement Act of 1975 to require easement recordings to be consistent with current practices by a county recorder, and makes other technical and conforming changes to the Act.  
**Status:** Chapter 875, Statutes of 2012

SB 1577 (Natural Resources and Water)  Trust lands: City of Newport Beach.  
Grants in trust to the City of Newport Beach 10.3 acres of public trust lands.  
**Status:** Chapter 286, Statutes of 2012

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE**

AB 68 (Beall)  Tax Equity Allocation formula: County of Santa Clara.  
Would have modified property tax allocations for several Tax Equity Allocation cities in Santa Clara County.  **Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 162 (Smyth)  Local government: financial reports.  
Would have required that if an audit of a local agency reveals certain financial irregularities, the findings be sent separately to the Controller immediately after the audit has been concluded.  
**Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 187 (Lara)  High-risk local government agency audit program.  
Authorizes the State Auditor to establish a high-risk local government agency audit program to identify, audit, and issue reports on any local government agency, including any city, county, or special district, or any publicly created entity that the State Auditor identifies as being at high risk for the potential of waste, fraud, abuse or mismanagement or that has major challenges associated with its economy, efficiency, or effectiveness.  
**Status:** Chapter 451, Statutes of 2011

AB 191 (B. Berryhill)  Property tax revenue allocations: negative sum counties.  
Would have revised property tax allocations for "negative sum" counties in order to provide fiscal relief to those counties.  **Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 229 (Lara)  The Controller: audits.  
Would have expanded the State Controller's oversight over local government auditing practices.  
**Status:** In Senate Committee on Governmental Organization: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 253 (Smyth)  Local agencies: accounting.  
Would have established the Committee on City Accounting Procedures, specified the membership of the Committee, and required the State Controller in consultation with the Committee to prescribe uniform accounting and reporting procedures for cities.  **Status:** In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.
AB 276 (Alejo)  Local government: financial reports. *
Would have increased penalties for local agencies, including specified joint powers agencies, that fail to file their annual financial transaction reports with the State Controller's Office in a timely manner, and would have made other specified changes to local agency financial reporting requirements. **Status:** In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 468 (Smyth)  Property taxes: TEA formula allocation: maintenance or improvement districts: City of Simi Valley.
Clarifies how property taxes are distributed to the City of Simi Valley once the City becomes the successor agency after the dissolution of the City's maintenance district. **Status:** Chapter 319, Statutes of 2011

AB 506 (Wieckowski)  Local government: bankruptcy: neutral evaluation.
Authorizes a local government to petition for bankruptcy protection if it either participates in a neutral evaluation process or declares a fiscal emergency. **Status:** Chapter 675, Statutes of 2011

AB 654 (Hueso)  Local government: historical property.
Requires historical properties subject to Mills Act contracts, which restrict the use of the property in exchange for lower tax assessment values, to be inspected prior to a new agreement and every five years thereafter; requires that any fee charged by the local agency to administer the program not exceed the reasonable cost of providing the services for which the fee is charged; and, requires local agencies to take actions to enforce the contracts. **Status:** Chapter 278, Statutes of 2011

AB 866 (Yamada)  Property tax revenue allocations: county of the 28th class.
Would have enacted property tax relief provisions for Yolo County. **Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 1045 (Norby)  Local government: bonds.
Would have prohibited a local agency from entering into a financial advisory, legal advisory, underwriting, or other similar relationship with an individual or firm, with respect to a bond issue that requires voter approval on or after January 1, 2012, if that individual or firm, or an employee, agent or person related to an employee or agent of the individual or firm, provided or will provide bond campaign services to the bond campaign. **Status:** Referred to Senate Committee on Governance and Finance.

AB 1050 (Ma) Prepaid mobile telephone services: taxes and fees. **
Would have enacted the Prepaid Wireless Surcharge Collection Act, which would have provided for point-of-sale collection by retailers of a Prepaid Communications Charge that consists of a "state component" (state 911 fee, CPUC Reimbursement Fee, and CPUC universal service surcharges) and a "local component" (UUTs and other local fees). **Status:** Referred to Senate Committee on Governance and Finance.
AB 1086 (Wieckowski)  
**Transactions and use taxes: County of Alameda.**
Allows Alameda County to adopt an ordinance to impose a transactions and use tax not to exceed 0.5% for specified purposes that would, in combination with other taxes, exceed the statutory limit of 2%.  
**Status:** Chapter 327, Statutes of 2011

AB 1098 (Carter)  
**Vehicle license fees: allocation.**
Would have reallocated vehicle license fee revenues to recently incorporated cities and to cities that annexed inhabited territory, in response to SB 89 (Committee on Budget), Chapter 35, Statutes of 2011, which cut VLF funding.  
**Status:** Vetoed

AB 1191 (Huber)  
**Local government finance.**
Would have created a process for cities and counties to seek reimbursement for lost revenues due to legislation in 2004 that enacted the "Triple Flip" and the "Vehicle License Fee Swap."  
**Status:** In Senate Committee on Appropriations: Held under submission.

AB 1253 (Davis)  
**Counties: recommended budget.**
Authorizes county boards to revise a recommended budget, according to specified procedures, prior to adopting a final version.  
**Status:** Chapter 52, Statutes of 2012

AB 1287 (Buchanan)  
**Local government: audits.**
Would have required cities, counties, special districts, authorities, or public agencies, to comply with General Accounting Office standards for financial and compliance audits and would have prohibited an independent auditor from engaging in financial compliance audits unless, within three years of commencing the first of the audits, and every three years thereafter, the auditor completed a quality control review in accordance with General Accounting Office standards.  
**Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 1335 (Lara)  
**City of Bell: business license taxes: unlawful increases and charges.**
Would have required the City of Bell to return all funds attributable to unlawful increases in business license taxes charged during the calendar years 2000 to 2010, inclusive, to those licensees affected by those unlawful increases.  
**Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.
AB 1340 (Lara)  City of Bell: Sanitation and Sewerage System District: unlawful increases and charges.
Would have required the Sanitation and Sewerage System District in the City of Bell to return all funds attributable to unlawful increases in assessment rates approved and charged during the fiscal years 2007 to 2010, inclusive, to those residents affected by those unlawful increases.
Status: Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 1345 (Lara)  Local government: audits.
Expands the State Controller's oversight over local government auditing practices.
Status: Chapter 231, Statutes of 2012

AB 1350 (Lara)  Property taxation: override rates: validation by auditor.
Establishes new duties for county auditors, beginning January 1, 2012, to verify that property tax rates increased or extended by a jurisdiction for specified purposes do not exceed rates authorized by existing law.
Status: Chapter 428, Statutes of 2011

AB 1352 (Logue)  Taxation: vehicle license fees.
Provides that specified vehicle license fee revenues deposited into the Local Revenue Fund of 2011 for local law enforcement realignment purposes are not subject to expenditure requirements of a local ordinance in Nevada County.
Status: Chapter 735, Statutes of 2011

AB 1404 (Feuer)  Vehicles: additional registration fees: vehicle-theft crimes. **
Allows several counties to increase the surcharge from $1 to $2 that they impose on vehicle registrations in their respective jurisdictions to fund vehicle theft prevention, investigation, and prosecution programs.
Status: Chapter 775, Statutes of 2012

AB 1446 (Feuer)  L.A. County Metropolitan Authority: transactions and use tax.
Allows the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, subject to voter approval, to extend the length of imposition of an existing transactions and use tax of 0.5% for specified purposes.
Status: Chapter 806, Statutes of 2012

AB 1587 (Galgiani)  Vital records: fees: San Joaquin County.
Would have authorized the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors to increase by up to $2 the fees associated with processing birth, death and marriage certificates for the purpose of funding specified child protection programs. Status: In Assembly Committee on Local Government: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 1592 (Olsen)  Veterans: benefits: fee waiver.
Would have allowed a governing board of any county of city to grant financial assistance relief and support to disabled veterans by reducing or waiving specified fees for modifying a dwelling for the purpose of greater accessibility. Status: Referred to Senate Committee on Rules.
AB 1676 (Alejo) Property tax revenue allocation: County of San Benito.
Would have addressed past property tax apportionment factors in San Benito County.
Status: In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Set, first hearing. Failed passage.

AB 1692 (Wieckowski) Bankruptcy.
Would have revised language relating to the neutral evaluation process for local public entities contained in AB 506 (Wieckowski), Chapter 675, Statutes of 2011.
Status: In Senate. Read first time. To Rules Committee for assignment.

AB 1700 (Butler) Property taxation: change in ownership: co-tenancy interests.
Excludes from property tax reassessment a transfer of co-tenancy interest in a principal residence if the principal residence was owned by two individuals and was transferred to one of those individuals upon the death of the other, with the survivor obtaining sole ownership of that property.
Status: Chapter 781, Statutes of 2012

AB 1768 (Davis) Vehicles: additional registration fees.
Would have allowed counties the option to impose a higher vehicle registration fee (from the existing $1 fee to a $3 fee), and would have modified reporting requirements for those counties that adopted a resolution to impose the fee. Status: Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Transportation. In Committee on Transportation: Set, first hearing. Failed passage.

AB 1816 (Beall) Tax equity allocation formula: County of Santa Clara.
Would have modified property tax allocations for several Tax Equity Allocation cities in Santa Clara County. Status: In Assembly Committee on Appropriations: Set, second hearing. Held under submission.

AB 1863 (Chesbro) Mutual aid: reimbursement.
Would have expanded the definition of what constitutes a "disaster" under the provisions of the California Disaster Assistance Act, allowed the costs of food and lodging for mutual aid responders to be counted as part of the financial assistance to local agencies and the state provided under the Act, and appropriated $40,827 from the state's General Fund to Mendocino County for mutual aid costs incurred during a Mendocino "manhunt." Status: In Assembly Committee on Appropriations: Set, second hearing. Held under submission.

AB 1873 (Galgiani) County costs: mutual aid: reimbursement.
Would have appropriated $90,000 from the state's General Fund to the Counties of San Joaquin and Calaveras to reimburse costs incurred for assistance provided by outside agencies that offered mutual aid during the 2012 excavation and recovery of victims of a serial killing. Status: In Assembly Committee on Appropriations: Set, second hearing. Held under submission.

AB 2069 (Solorio) Sanitation, sewerage, and water charges: collection.*
Enacts various changes to existing law that allows sanitation and sewerage systems to collect delinquent charges, unpaid installments of fees or charges, and interest on the general tax rolls.  
**Status:** Referred to Senate Committee on Governance and Finance.

**AB 2567 (Carter) Sewer collection agency: schedule of fees.**  
Allows an agency providing wastewater service to adopt a schedule of fees or charges authorizing automatic adjustments that pass through increases in wholesale charges for wastewater treatment or sewage treatment.  
**Status:** Chapter 103, Statutes of 2012

**AB 2587 (Knight) Correctional facility construction: local agreements.**  
Would have authorized the Secretary of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to enter into a long-term agreement with the City of Adelanto to finance and build a state prison facility for medium and maximum security inmates.  
**Status:** In Assembly Committee on Local Government: Set second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

**AB 2643 (Ma) Property taxation.**  
Makes several changes to the statutes related to property tax collection.  
**Status:** Chapter 161, Statutes of 2012

**ACA 4 (Blumenfield) Local government financing: voter approval.**  
Would have amended the California Constitution to allow a city, county, or special district to incur bonded indebtedness in order to fund specified public improvements and facilities, with 55% voter approval of that city, county or special district.  
**Status:** Ordered to Assembly Inactive File at the request of Assembly Member Blumenfield.

**ACA 17 (Logue) State-mandated local programs.**  
Would have applied the requirement that the Legislature either appropriate the full payable amount of a mandate or suspend the mandate only through the 2011–12 fiscal year, and would have prohibited the Legislature or a state agency from mandating a new program or higher level of service on any local government, unless the local government is reimbursed for the costs of that new program or higher level of service.  
**Status:** Referred to Assembly Committee on Local Government.

**ACA 18 (Swanson) Taxation: parcel tax.**  
Would have conditioned the imposition, extension, or increase of a parcel tax by a city or county for the purpose of funding the maintenance or improvement of fire protection services or police protection services, or both, upon the approval of a majority of its voters voting on the proposition.  
**Status:** In Assembly: Reconsideration granted. Read third time. Refused adoption.

**ACA 23 (Perea) Local government transportation projects: special taxes.**  
Would have provided that the imposition, extension, or increase of a special tax by a local government for the purpose of providing funding for local transportation projects requires the approval of 55% of its voters voting on the proposition.  
**Status:** Ordered to Assembly Inactive File at the request of Assembly Member Perea.
ABx1 24 (Blumenfield)  State responsibility areas: fire protection fees. **
Would have provided for a fire protection fee to pay, in part, for the private benefits conferred upon property owners in State Responsibility Areas. Status: From Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review without further action.

ABx1 43 (Solorio) Vehicle license fee adjustments: County of Orange. **
Would have increased, for the 2011-12 fiscal year, the vehicle license fee (VLF) adjustment amount for the County of Orange by $48 million and would have required this increase to be included in the calculation of the VLF adjustment amount for that county for each year thereafter, so long as certain conditions are met. Status: From Senate Committee on Rules without further action.

ABx1 44 (Calderon) Local government finance: VLF revenues: allocations. **
Would have provided, until July 1, 2017, any city formed by application for incorporation prior to July 1, 2011, as provided, to be allocated an amount of VLF revenues that would otherwise have been allocated to that city pursuant to a specified provision prior to its amendment. Status: Died at Assembly Desk.

SB 89 (Budget and Fiscal Review) Vehicles: vehicle license fee and registration fee. **
Redirects vehicle license fee revenues away from newly incorporated cities and annexations, diverts funds to the Local Law Enforcement Account to help fund public safety, adjusts the cost-sharing of Department of Motor Vehicles' administrative expenses, and increases the basic vehicle registration fee. Status: Chapter 35, Statutes of 2011

SB 186 (Kehoe) The Controller.
Would have expanded, until January 1, 2017, the State Controller's authority to perform audits or investigations of counties, cities, special districts, and joint powers authorities if the Controller had reason to believe that a local government violated specified financial requirements, and would have provided for voluntary local agency financial review and increased penalties for failure to file required financial reports. Status: In Assembly Committee on Appropriations: Set, second hearing. Held in committee and under submission.

SB 191 (Governance and Finance) First Validating Act of 2011.
Would have enacted the First Validating Act of 2011, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state government, counties, cities, special districts, school districts, and other public bodies, excluding redevelopment agencies. Status: In Assembly. Held at Desk.
SB 192 (Governance and Finance) Validating Act of 2012.
Enacts the Validating Act of 2012, which validates the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state government, counties, cities, special districts, school districts, and other public bodies, excluding redevelopment agencies.
Status: Chapter 265, Statutes of 2012

SB 193 (Governance and Finance) Third Validating Act of 2011.
Enacts the Third Validating Act of 2011, which validates the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state government, counties, cities, special districts, school districts, and other public bodies, excluding redevelopment agencies.
Status: Chapter 303, Statutes of 2011

SB 223 (Leno) Voter-approved local assessment: vehicles.
Would have enacted the Local Assessment Act, which would have authorized the City and County of San Francisco to place on the ballot a measure to impose an additional assessment on vehicles owned by residents of San Francisco.
Status: Vetoed

SB 449 (Pavley) Controller: local agency financial review.
Would have authorized the State Controller, if sufficient funds were available, to review the finances of cities, counties, special districts, and redevelopment agencies, and would have allowed the Controller to convene a local agency financial review committee to provide assistance to local agencies that seek help in averting or managing a financial problem.
Status: In Assembly Committee on Local Government: Set, first hearing. Failed passage in committee.

SB 536 (DeSaulnier) Property tax revenue allocations: public utilities: qualified property: City of Oakley.
Revises property tax formulas to allocate property tax revenues from a proposed public utility power plant in Contra Costa County to benefit the City of Oakley.
Status: Chapter 710, Statutes of 2011

SB 911 (De Leon) Local agency bonds: report. *
Would have required, after January 1, 2012, that the annual report filed by the chief fiscal officer of a bond-issuers local agency must be filed within 60 days of the end of an agency's fiscal year and would have required a local government that issues voter-approved bonds in excess of $5,000 to make the specified detailed information available to any individual who requests it.
Status: Referred to Assembly Committee on Local Government.

SB 947 (Governance and Finance) Property taxation.
Makes various non-controversial changes to property tax collection laws.
Status: Chapter 351, Statutes of 2011
SB 948 (Governance and Finance) Property taxation.
Makes changes to property tax collection laws.
Status: Chapter 352, Statutes of 2011

SB 954 (Liu) Controller: offset payments.
Authorizes the State Controller's Office to offset unclaimed property held by the state against debts owed to cities and counties.
Status: Chapter 650, Statutes of 2012

SB 1239 (Wright) Local government: assessments, fees, and charges. **
Would have added, to the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act, a new definition of "real property." Status: Read third time and amended. Re-referred to Assembly Committee on Rules.

Prohibits a local jurisdiction from levying a utility user tax on the consumption of electricity or on the consumption of compressed natural gas.
Status: Chapter 213, Statutes of 2012

SB 1492 (Leno) Voter-approved local assessment: vehicles.
Enacts the Local Assessment Act, which authorizes the City and County of San Francisco to place on the ballot a measure to impose an additional assessment on vehicles owned by residents of that City and County.
Status: Chapter 838, Statutes of 2012

**LOCAL POWERS AND DUTIES**

AB 17 (Davis) Municipal water districts: board of directors. **
Would have clarified that a director of a municipal water district elected into office in the November general district election would take office the following January, and would have required a director elected into office in a general district election other than the November election to take office 30 days following the date of certification of the results of that election.
Status: Read second time and amended. Ordered to Senate third reading.

AB 33 (Jeffries) County board of supervisors: vacancy: appointment.
Would have required the Governor, whenever a vacancy occurs in any board of supervisors, to fill the vacancy or authorize the board to fill the vacancy within 180 days of the vacancy occurring. Status: From Assembly Committee on Local Government without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 62(a).

AB 46 (John A. Pérez) Local government: municipal disincorporations.
Would have established a uniform disincorporation process for any city with a population of less than 150 persons as of January 1, 2010, and would have allow that city's respective county board
of supervisors to vote to continue the existence of that city within the county's boundaries in certain circumstances. **Status:** Read third time in Senate. Refused passage.

**AB 54 (Solorio) Drinking water.**
Adds additional requirements on mutual water companies, authorizes a LAFCO to include mutual water companies in its municipal service reviews, and provides the California Department of Public Health more guidance regarding issuing Safe Drinking Water Revolving Fund money to mutual water companies.
**Status:** Chapter 512, Statutes of 2011

**AB 57 (Beall) Metropolitan Transportation Commission.**
Revises the membership and appointments of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission.
**Status:** Chapter 88, Statutes of 2012

**AB 129 (Beall) Local government: fines and penalties: assessments.**
Would have authorized a city or county after notice and public hearing to specially assess and record a notice of lien for any fines or penalties related to ordinance violations constituting a public nuisance or threat to public health and safety on the real property that the fines or penalties are being assessed or recorded on if the owner of the real property fails to pay those fines or penalties after demand by the city or county.
**Status:** Vetoed

**AB 184 (Swanson) Contractual assessment programs: seismic safety improvements.**
Expands the authorization that allows public agencies to enter into contractual assessments to finance the installation of specified improvements to now include seismic strengthening improvements.
**Status:** Chapter 28, Statutes of 2011

**AB 256 (Nestande) Vector control.** *
Would have required the board of trustees of a mosquito abatement or a vector control district to adopt a formal, written response to any irregularities or accounting issues raised in an audit and provided this response to the appointing authority of each member of the board of trustees.
**Status:** In Assembly Committee on Local Government: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

**AB 276 (Alejo) Central Coast Hospital Authority.**
Authorizes the Monterey County Board of Supervisors to establish the Central Coast Hospital Authority (CCHA), and prohibits the Board of Supervisors from establishing the CCHA until an agreement to affiliate or consolidate the Natividad Medical Center with at least one other health care facility is reached.
**Status:** Chapter 686, Statutes of 2012
AB 307 (Nestande) Joint powers agreements: federally recognized Indian tribe.
Changes the definition of "public agency" for purposes of joint powers agreements to include federally recognized Indian tribes.
Status: Chapter 266, Statutes of 2011

AB 356 (Hill) Public works projects: local hiring policies.
Would have prohibited a local agency from mandating any portion or percentage of work on a public works projects from being performed by local residents or persons who reside within particular geographic areas if any portion of that public works projects will take place outside the geographical boundaries of the local agency. Status: Died on Assembly Inactive File.

AB 359 (Huffman) Groundwater management plans.
Requires expanded public notification, groundwater recharge mapping, and coordination with local planning agencies in the groundwater management planning process.
Status: Chapter 572, Statutes of 2011

AB 404 (Gatto) Local government: county assessors: property tax agents. **
Would have required the board of supervisors of a county that regulates lobbying to require annual registration and quarterly reporting by any individual representing a taxpayer for compensation before county assessment or equalization officials, and also would have prohibited registrants from making campaign contributions to an elected county assessor or candidate.
Status: In Senate: Read third time. Refused passage.

AB 412 (Williams) Emergency medical services.
Enacts, for Santa Barbara County only until January 1, 2014, a penalty of $5 for every $10 in base fines imposed on criminal offenses and certain vehicle code offenses and provides that the amount collected is to be deposited in a county established Maddy Emergency Medical Services Fund.
Status: Chapter 268, Statutes of 2011

AB 438 (Williams) County free libraries: withdrawal: use of private contractors.
Imposes requirements, until January 1, 2019, on a city or library district that intends to withdraw from a county free library system and operate a library or libraries with a private contractor.
Status: Chapter 611, Statutes of 2011

AB 482 (Williams) Dredging contracts: Ventura Port District.
Authorizes the Ventura Port District to contract for dredging work within District boundaries without competitive bidding in certain specified circumstances.
Status: Chapter 51, Statutes of 2012

AB 486 (Hueso) Graffiti tracking system: funding. *
Would have required 10% of any amounts received by a city or county with the jurisdiction of the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) as part of the recovery of funds used to remove graffiti or other inscribed material from publicly owned or privately owned real or personal property and 10% of any amounts received by a city or county as part of recouping costs
associated with defacement by minors of its property and the property of others by graffiti or other inscribed materials to be paid to SANDAG annually for the purpose of funding a graffiti tracking system to be administered by SANDAG. **Status:** In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 491 (Miller)  **Public roads: fire suppression.**
Would have allowed a county board of supervisors, by a four-fifths vote, to authorize use of road funds to improve or repair specified roads for purposes of fire suppression. **Status:** Ordered to Senate Inactive File at the request of Senator La Malfa.

AB 529 (Gatto)  **Vehicles: speed limits: pilot projects.**
Requires the California Department of Transportation to revise the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
**Status:**  Chapter 528, Statutes of 2011

AB 561 (Gorell)  **Ventura County Watershed Protection District: indebtedness.**
Authorizes the Ventura County Watershed Protection District to participate in state or federal revolving loan programs for district purposes and to issue securitized limited obligation notes.
**Status:**  Chapter 175, Statutes of 2011

AB 612 (Gordon)  **Parks and recreation districts: repayment of indebtedness.**
Provides that indebtedness that is incurred by the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, on or after January 1, 2012, be repaid during a period that does not exceed 30 years.
**Status:**  Chapter 104, Statutes of 2011

AB 664 (Ammiano)  **Infrastructure financing districts: America's Cup district.**
Revises the special statute that controls how local officials can form, finance, and operate an infrastructure financing district along the San Francisco waterfront, at the special waterfront district.
**Status:**  Chapter 314, Statutes of 2011

AB 693 (Huffman)  **Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority.**
Extends authorization for the Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority from 2016 to 2020.
**Status:**  Chapter 599, Statutes of 2012

AB 706 (Torres)  **Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority.**
Renames the Pasadena Metro Blue Line Construction Authority to Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority; adds two additional non-voting members to the governing board of the Authority; specifies circumstances under which board members and alternate members of the Authority shall not be considered financially interested; and, exempts board and alternate members from specified incompatible office and incompatible activity statutes.
**Status:**  Chapter 533, Statutes of 2011
AB 720 (Hall)  Public contracts: uniform construction cost accounting provisions.
Revises the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act road commissioner exemption.
Status: Chapter 683, Statutes of 2011

AB 737 (Huber)  Local agencies: benefit assessments. *
Would have authorized any local agency levying a benefit assessment, as specified, to bring an
action to determine the validity of the assessment pursuant to specified provisions of existing
laws relating to validating proceedings. Status: Referred to Assembly Committee on Local
Government.

AB 741 (Huffman)  Onsite wastewater disposal conversion.
Authorizes a local agency that is authorized to acquire, construct, maintain and operate sanitary
sewers and sewerage systems to use, at a property owner's request, construct all necessary
plumbing to connect his or her property to the adjoining public sewer system, the cost of which
constitutes a lien on the property.
Status: Chapter 106, Statutes of 2011

AB 768 (Gatto)  Male circumcision.
Precludes any city, county, or city and county from prohibiting or restricting the practice of male
circumcision, or the exercise of parental authority to have a child circumcised.
Status: Chapter 398, Statutes of 2011

AB 779 (Fletcher)  Municipal water districts: oversight.
Would have authorized a municipal water district to establish an independent oversight
commitee to assist in tracking and reviewing revenues of the district to advance capital
improvements, operations and maintenance of district facilities, and allocation methodologies
and would have authorized an independent oversight committee to perform specified functions
for those purposes. Status: Referred to Assembly Committees on Water, Parks and Wildlife and
Local Government. Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 798 (Chesbro)  Joint powers agreement: public agencies.
Authorizes Smith River Rancheria Tribal Council to enter into a joint powers agreement (JPA) to
participate in the Border Coast Regional Airport Authority, and to also enter into a JPA with Del
Norte County, Crescent City, or both, for specified purposes and declares Smith River
Rancheria to be a public agency for purposes of that JPA.
Status: Chapter 85, Statutes of 2011

AB 818 (Blumenfield)  Solid waste: multifamily dwellings.
Requires an owner of a multifamily dwelling (MFD) with five or more living units to arrange for
recycling services that are appropriate and available for the MFD, except under specified
circumstances.
Status: Chapter 279, Statutes of 2011
AB 834 (R. Hernández)  Local government: contracts.  
Would have required the legislative body of a city, county, or district to review any contract with a total value of $250,000 or more with a private party that contains an automatic renewal clause on or before the annual date by which the contract may be rescinded.  **Status:** Died on inactive file.

AB 845 (Ma)  Solid waste: place of origin.  **
Prohibits an ordinance enacted by a city or county, including an ordinance enacted by initiative by the voters of a city or county, from otherwise restricting or limiting the importation of solid waste into a privately owned solid waste facility in that city or county based on place of origin.  **Status:** Chapter 526, Statutes of 2012

AB 849 (Gatto)  Water: use efficiency: graywater building standards.  
Repeals the authority of a city, county, or other local agency to adopt building standards that prohibit entirely the use of graywater systems and requires that an ordinance enacted regarding graywater standards that are different than statewide standards must include the local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions necessitating the difference.  **Status:** Chapter 577, Statutes of 2011

AB 904 (Skinner)  Local government: parking spaces: minimum requirements.  **
Would have prohibited a city or county from requiring a minimum number of off-street parking spaces in transit-intensive areas, greater than two parking spaces per 1,000 square feet in nonresidential projects of 20,000 square feet or less on a single property, one parking space per unit in non-income-restricted residential projects, and specified portions, as applicable, of a parking space per unit for certain affordable housing projects, except as specified.  **Status:** In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Set, first hearing.  Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 910 (Torres)  Infrastructure financing districts: facilities and projects.  
Would have authorized an infrastructure financing district to finance affordable housing facilities and economic development projects.  **Status:** In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Set, second hearing.  Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 911 (Ma)  Police protection districts.  
Would have made various changes to the Police Protection District Act including authorizing a district to adopt ordinances related to specified policies and made other conforming changes in line with powers and duties given to special districts.  **Status:** In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Set, first hearing.  Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 912 (Gordon)  Local government: organization.  
Establishes an expedited dissolution process for a district recommended for dissolution by a prior action of a LAFCO, in specified conditions.  **Status:** Chapter 109, Statutes of 2011
AB 935 (Blumenfield)  Foreclosures: foreclosure mitigation charges.
Would have prohibited a notice of trustee's sale from being accepted for filing with a county recorder until the mortgage servicer pays a foreclosure mitigation charge equaling 5% of the price for which the house was last sold not to exceed $20,000.  **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Banking and Finance and Local Government.  Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 943 (Williams)  Public contracts: California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission: local contracts: alternative procedures.
Increases the formal bidding threshold under the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act from $125,000 to $175,000.  **Status:** Chapter 110, Statutes of 2011

AB 946 (B. Lowenthal)  Public contracts: Los Angeles County: regional interoperable communications system.
Authorizes the Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System Authority, a joint powers agency, to procure a regional interoperable communications system by utilizing a solicitation process to award a contract for the design and build out of a regional interoperable communications system and related infrastructure.  **Status:** Chapter 400, Statutes of 2011

AB 954 (Calderon)  Water replenishment districts.
Would have determined the appropriate water replenishment assessment for each sub basin in the Los Angeles Basin.  **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Water, Parks and Wildlife.  Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 964 (Huffman)  Environmental protection: contamination. *
Would have required financial assistance provided from the State Water Pollution Control Fund for onsite sewer improvements to be provided only for projects for which a public agency has adopted a sewer system management plan that includes a prescribed 10-year plan for sewer upgrades, and would have required a public agency receiving financial assistance from the fund for that purpose to report to the board on its progress with respect to developing and implementing a 10-year plan for sewer upgrades.  **Status:** Referred to Senate Committee on Environmental Quality.

AB 966 (Yamada)  Public cemetery districts: nonresident burial.
Allows the Davis Cemetery District to inter, in a specified section of the cemetery, nonresidents who meet a limited set of criteria.  **Status:** Chapter 111, Statutes of 2011

AB 1008 (Cook)  Vehicles: automated traffic enforcement systems.
Would have prohibited, starting January 1, 2012, a local agency from installing an automated traffic enforcement system, and would have required a traffic safety study for those local government agencies already operating an automated traffic enforcement system.  **Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.
AB 1027 (Buchanan)  Local publicly owned electric utilities: poles and support structures.
Requires local publicly owned electric utilities, including irrigation districts, to make appropriate space and capacity on and in their utility poles and support structures available for use by cable television corporations, video service providers, and telephone corporations.
Status:  Chapter 580, Statutes of 2011

AB 1032 (Mansoor)  Community facilities districts: financing.
Would have provided that projects funded entirely with private funds are not subject to the wage requirements for public works projects.  Status:  Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 1036 (Allen)  Parks: regional park, park and open-space, and open-space districts: employee relations.
Makes changes to the role of a general manager of a Regional Park, Park and Open-Space, or Open-Space District and specifies that the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act applies to all districts.  Status:  Chapter 581, Statutes of 2011

AB 1053 (Gordon)  Local government: penalties and fees.
Increases fees for death and birth certificate applications and for juveniles receiving public defender services.  Status:  Chapter 402, Statutes of 2011

AB 1072 (Fuentes)  California Promise Neighborhoods Initiative.
Would have established the California Promise Neighborhoods Initiative in the Governor's Office of Economic Development.  Status:  In Senate Committee on Appropriations: Held under submission.

AB 1087 (Brownley)  Cities and counties: public safety services: contracts.
Would have authorized, unless otherwise stipulated in a contract, a county that has a contract to provide a city, including a charter city, with public safety services to require the city to provide a comprehensive fiscal analysis relating to the ability of that city to provide public safety services to its residents, upon a notification from the city of its intent to terminate the contract.  Status:  In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance:  Set, first hearing.  Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 1121 (Pan)  Dog licensing: issuance: puppy licenses.
Would have allowed cities and counties to issue puppy licenses and would have specified provisions by which cities and counties could issue those licenses, and would have required pet dealers, rescue groups and other specified entities to submit monthly reports containing information about recently sold or adopted dogs to local jurisdictions.  Status:  Vetoed
AB 1125 (Achadjian) Public health: County of San Luis Obispo and Los Osos Community Services District.
Authorizes the County of San Luis Obispo and the Los Osos Community Services District, upon resuming the responsibilities of operating a community wastewater collection and treatment system, to develop a program that would offset the assessments and charges adopted by the county for very low- and low-income households with outside funds, including grants.
Status: Chapter 177, Statutes of 2011

AB 1143 (Dickinson) Sacramento Regional Transit District: bonds.
Expands the Sacramento Regional Transit District's authority to issue revenue bonds. 
Status: Chapter 537, Statutes of 2011

AB 1178 (Ma) Solid waste: place of origin. **
Would have prohibited an ordinance enacted by a city or county, including an ordinance enacted by initiative by the voters of a city or county, from otherwise restricting or limiting the importation of solid waste into a privately owned solid waste facility in that city or county based on place of origin. Status: In Senate Environmental Quality Committee: That the measure be held in committee pursuant to Senate Rule 29.10.

AB 1228 (Halderman) Public agencies: joint power authorities: meetings.
Would have authorized a joint powers authority (JPA) to adopt a policy or bylaw or include a provision in its joint powers agreement allowing a designated alternate member who is attending in lieu of the appointed member to attend closed sessions of the JPA and for that designated alternate member to disclose to specified people information obtained in a closed session of the JPA that has direct financial or liability implications for that local agency. Status: Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 1303 (Wieckowski) Health care facilities: local agency joint powers agreements. **
Would have authorized St. Rose Hospital, a private, nonprofit hospital in the County of Alameda, to enter into a joint powers agreement with the Washington Township Healthcare District. Status: Re-referred to Senate Committees on Governance and Finance and Health.

AB 1309 (Miller) Public roads: fire suppression. *
Would have allowed a county board of supervisors, by a four-fifths vote, to authorize use of road funds to improve or repair specified roads for purposes of fire suppression. Status: Ordered to Senate Inactive File at the request of Senator Wyland.

AB 1344 (Feuer) Local governance.
Prohibits, on or after January 2, 2012, any contract executed or renewed between a local agency and an excluded employee from including an automatic renewal of the contract if the contract provides for an automatic increase in compensation that exceeds a cost-of-living adjustment and a maximum cash settlement that exceeds the amounts provided for in statutory provisions governing employment contracts; and, provides more public review when a city is considering placing the adoption of a charter before the voters.
Status: Chapter 692, Statutes of 2011
AB 1345 (Lara)  Local government: audits. *
Would have established a city council appointment committee, and would have authorized the city council appointment committee to appoint members to fill vacant seats on the city council.  
**Status:** In Assembly Committee on Local Government: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 1355 (Lara)  City officials: standards.
Would have required a city council to adopt minimal educational and certification standards for city clerks, city managers, and city treasurers, whether elected or appointed, and to post those standards on the city's Internet Web site.  
**Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 1430 (Local Government)  Local government: omnibus bill.
Makes minor, non-controversial changes to the laws affecting local government organization and reorganization.  
**Status:** Chapter 300, Statutes of 2011

AB 1509 (Hayashi)  Political Reform Act of 1974: statements of economic interests.
Requires a notification to be posted on Internet Web sites maintained by a city or county clerk that identifies the elected officers who are required to file statements of economic interests with that city or county.  
**Status:** Chapter 498, Statutes of 2012

AB 1520 (Mendoza)  Vehicles: mobile billboard advertising displays: local ordinances.
Would have expanded the definition of a "mobile billboard advertising display" to include any advertising display that is attached to and moved by any vehicle that must be registered under state law.  
**Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Transportation and Local Government. In Committee on Local Government: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 1543 (Alejo)  Public contracts: Buy American.
Would have, on and after January 1, 2014, required public contracts let for the purchase or lease of any manufactured tangible personal property or for any materials or structural components to be incorporated into real property to require that the property, materials and components be manufactured in the United States, and would have provided for specified exceptions.  
**Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Business, Professions and Consumer Protection and Local Government. In Committee on Business, Professions and Consumer Protection: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 1578 (Logue)  Indian Valley Watermaster District.
Creates the Indian Valley Watermaster District, a special district to enforce local court decrees for water rights in Plumas County.  
**Status:** Chapter 345, Statutes of 2012
AB 1600 (Torres)  Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority.
Extends Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority's light rail project to include
the City of Montclair, and makes several other changes to the Authority's enabling act.
Status: Chapter 189, Statutes of 2012

AB 1642 (Gordon)  County recorder: recordation of documents.
Requires county recorders to record any document that relates to real property authorized or
required to be recorded by local ordinance, and revises the form requirements for a notice of
intent to preserve an interest in real property.
Status: Chapter 94, Statutes of 2012

AB 1656 (Fong)  San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority.
Makes minor changes to the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority (SFBRA), to better
accomplish its charge to restore, enhance, and protect the wetlands and wildlife habitat in the San
Francisco Bay and along its shoreline; extends the eastern boundary of the SFBRA to include all
of Bay-related shoreline of Solano and Contra Costa counties, excluding the Delta primary zone;
and, reverses the inadvertent exclusion of the northeastern Contra Costa County shoreline from
representation on the governing board.
Status: Chapter 535, Statutes of 2012

AB 1779 (Galgiani)  Intercity rail agreements.
Provides for the creation of a joint powers agency to administer intercity passenger rail service
between the San Joaquin Valley, the San Francisco Bay Area, and Sacramento, and authorizes
the transfer of responsibility for that service from the state.
Status: Chapter 801, Statutes of 2012

AB 1804 (Valadao)  Public contracts: public entities: project labor agreements.
Would have repealed existing provisions authorizing local public entity use of project labor
agreements in construction contracts. Status: From Assembly Committee on Local Government
without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 62(a).

AB 1827 (Bonilla)  Infrastructure financing districts.
Would have authorized a military base reuse authority to form an infrastructure financing district,
and would have allowed an infrastructure financing district to finance homeless
accommodations. Status: Referred to Senate Committees on Governance and Finance and
Transportation and Housing. In Committee on Governance and Finance: Hearing postponed by
committee.

AB 1831 (Dickinson)  Local government: hiring practices.
Would have prohibited a city or county from inquiring into or considering criminal history when
screening an applicant for employment, or including any inquiry about criminal history on any
initial employment application. Status: In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance:
Held without recommendation.
AB 1901 (Jones)  Counties: construction projects: design-build.
Would have lowered the existing cost threshold to $1,000,000 for county-based design-build construction projects.  Status:  In Assembly Committee on Local Government:  Set, second hearing.  Failed passage.  Reconsideration granted.

AB 1902 (Jones)  Publication: newspaper of general circulation: Internet Web site.
Would have provided that a newspaper available on an Internet Web site may qualify as a newspaper of general circulation if it meets certain criteria.  Status:  Re-referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Public Safety pursuant to Assembly Rule 96.  In Committee on Local Government:  Set, first hearing.  Failed passage.

AB 1939 (Pan)  Dog licensing: issuance: puppy licenses.
Would have created a pilot project in specified counties which would require pet dealers, and others groups as specified, to submit a report once a month to the city or county responsible for licensing dogs with information regarding dog sales and adoptions; sunsetted the pilot project provisions as of January 1, 2018; and would have allowed licensing agencies to issue puppy licenses.  Status:  In Senate Committee on Business, Professions and Economic Development:  Set, first hearing.  Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 1950 (Davis)  Mortgages and deeds of trust: prohibited practices: enforcement.
Modifies provisions related to mortgage fraud enforcement, including the deletion of sunset dates on certain up-front fee prohibitions, while extending the statute of limitations from one to three years for certain prohibited lending and real estate practices.  Status:  Chapter 569, Statutes of 2012

AB 1957 (Gordon)  Tax collector: publication of notice.
Would have authorized counties to permit tax collectors to reduce the quantity of information required to be published in a newspaper regarding real property defaulted to the county, lowered the minimum interest rate for property tax refunds, and added tax collection to the kinds of course content eligible for the continuing education requirements of county treasurers and tax collectors.  Status:  In Assembly Committee on Local Government:  Set, first hearing.  Failed passage.

AB 1962 (Allen)  Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit District.
Repeals the requirement that the Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) District comply with the design review process of a local jurisdiction within which any rail transit facility will be constructed.  Status:  Chapter 98, Statutes of 2012

AB 2086 (Ammiano)  Registered sex offenders: local ordinances.
Would have required municipal jurisdictions that enact local ordinances that restrict the movement of registered sex offenders to post notices in places that would provide sufficient notice of the restriction.  Status:  Referred to Assembly Committees on Public Safety and Local Government.  In Committee on Public Safety:  Set, first hearing.  Hearing canceled at the request of author.
AB 2115 (Alejo)  Local hospital districts: employment contracts.
Would have required a local hospital district, if employing a hospital administrator, to enter into a written contract of employment with the administrator or chief executive officer.
Status:  Vetoed

AB 2131 (Olsen)  Local government: tax collectors: continuing education.
Adds tax collection to the list of subjects that can be credited toward county tax collectors' continuing education requirements.
Status:  Chapter 696, Statutes of 2012

AB 2144 (John A. Pérez)  Infrastructure and revitalization financing districts.
Would have expanded the types of facilities and projects that can be financed under IFD law, reduced the voter threshold for the creation of an IFD and the issuance of bonds for an IFD, authorized an IFD to utilize the powers provided under the Polanco Redevelopment Act, and renamed IFD law to the Infrastructure and Revitalization Financing District Act.
Status:  Vetoed

AB 2146 (Mansoor)  Military bases: reuse: infrastructure financing district. *
Would have authorized the legislative body of a city or county to establish an infrastructure financing district for the area of a military base that has been closed by the federal government.
Status:  Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Elections and Redistricting.

AB 2146 (Cook)  Local campaign reform: County of San Bernardino.
Authorizes the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) and the County of San Bernardino to enter into an agreement to grant the FPPC primary responsibility for administering and enforcing that county's local campaign finance ordinance.
Status:  Chapter 169, Statutes of 2012

AB 2167 (Hill)  Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency.
Allows the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency to issue bonds to repay the costs of capital facilities.
Status:  Chapter 251, Statutes of 2012

AB 2180 (Alejo)  Local health care districts: employee contracts.
Requires, if a health care district and hospital administrator enter into a written employment agreement, that the written agreement include specified information regarding compensation, severance, and other benefits.
Status:  Chapter 322, Statutes of 2012

AB 2183 (Smyth)  Local government: county assessors: tax agents.
Would have required an agent representing a taxpayer before the assessor, a county board of equalization, or an assessment appeals board to register with the county prior to representing a taxpayer.  Status:  From Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Do pass as amended and re-refer to the Committee on Appropriations.
AB 2210 (Smyth)  County assessors: notification.
Would have required a county assessor to, upon request, estimate whether annual property valuations for the county have decreased by 3% or more, and if so, to notify the requesting body and other specified state and local agencies of the decrease. **Status:** In Senate Governance and Finance Committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

**AB 2231 (Fuentes) Sidewalks: repairs.**
Would have prohibited the repeal of a local ordinance placing responsibility for sidewalk repair on a city, county, or city and county unless the repeal is subsequently ratified by a majority vote of the public. **Status:** In Senate Committee on Appropriations: Held under submission.

**AB 2259 (Ammiano) America's Cup and waterfront district venues.**
Modifies infrastructure financing district provisions for the City and County of San Francisco related to the America's Cup. **Status:** Chapter 785, Statutes of 2012

**AB 2265 (R. Hernández) Improvement districts.**
Would have prohibited, for various improvement and assessment districts, the ability to contract for specified services with a firm or organization if that firm or organization was previously contracted with for services relating to the formation of that district. **Status:** In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: hearing postponed by committee.

**AB 2268 (Eng) Services for underserved populations: funding models.**
Would have required state and local agencies to create a mechanism to supplement place-based and regional funding strategies for health and human services, and educational services. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Human Services and Local Government. In Committee on Human Services: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

**AB 2277 (Hueso) Adopt a Highway Program: courtesy signs.**
Would have required the Department of Transportation to notify and obtain approval, as specified, of the local government body which has jurisdiction over the area where a sign would be placed in order to post a courtesy sign identifying a group that is providing the litter abatement. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Transportation and Local Government. In Committee on Transportation: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

**AB 2291 (Blumenfield) Vehicles: advertising signs.**
Defines the term "permanently affixed" for the purposes of existing law regulating mobile billboards. **Status:** Chapter 373, Statutes of 2012
AB 2299 (Feuer)  Local government: public safety officials: confidentiality.  
Would have authorized the board of supervisors of a county to establish a program whereby the names of certain public safety officials may be redacted upon request from any property record of principal residence that is disclosed to the public by that county, except as specified.  
**Status:** In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Set, first hearing. Testimony taken. Further hearing to be set.

AB 2388 (Beall)  Santa Clara County Open-Space Authority: contracts.  
Increases, for the Santa Clara County Open Space Authority, the thresholds for specified bidding requirements, and makes other changes to the Authority's enabling act.  
**Status:** Chapter 259, Statutes of 2012

AB 2407 (Chesbro)  Joint powers agreements: health care facilities.  
Would have authorized various district hospitals and private, nonprofit hospitals in the County of Mendocino to enter into a joint powers agreement with the Northern California Health Care Authority.  
**Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Health and Local Government. In Committee on Health: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 2418 (Gordon)  Health districts.  
Would have required health care districts to expend 95% of any property tax revenue on current community health care benefits, as defined.  
**Status:** In Assembly Committee on Appropriations: Set, second hearing. Held under submission.

AB 2440 (B.Lowenthal)  Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.  
Expands the design-build authority of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to permit the use of "best value" methodology and shorten notice requirements for projects costing under $10 million, and raises certain contracting thresholds for other uses of the "best value" method.  
**Status:** Chapter 703, Statutes of 2012

AB 2455 (Campos)  Identity theft: local agencies.  
Would have applied the provisions of the state's existing information privacy breach notice law to local public agencies.  
**Status:** In Senate Committee on Appropriations Committee: Set, second hearing. Held under submission.

AB 2551 (Hueso)  Infrastructure financing districts: renewable energy zones.  
Would have authorized a legislative body of a city or county to establish an IFD in a renewable energy zone area, as defined, and would have exempted the creation of the IFD from voter-approval requirements.  
**Status:** Vetoed
AB 2559 (Buchanan)  Local government: pipeline projects: approval.
Requires California cities and counties to expedite permitting for pipeline integrity management projects.
Status:  Chapter 486, Statutes of 2012

AB 2592 (Williams)  County free public libraries: withdrawal: private contractors. **
Would have required that a city or library district in which a withdrawal from the county free library system became effective on or after January 1, 2012, comply with specified statutory requirements before entering into a contract to operate a library or libraries with a private contractor.  Status:  Re-referred to Senate Committee on Rules pursuant to Senate Rule 29.10.

Makes several minor, non-controversial changes to the laws affecting local government organization and reorganization.
Status:  Chapter 62, Statutes of 2012

SB 62 (Liu)  Local government: Los Angeles County: notice of recordation.
Authorizes the County of Los Angeles Recorder to notify by mail the party or parties subject to a notice of default or notice of sale, including the occupants of that property, within five days, but in any event no more than 20 days, of recordation.
Status:  Chapter 141, Statutes of 2011

SB 66 (Vargas)  Imperial County: registrar of voters.
Authorizes the County of Imperial to appoint a registrar of voters separate from the county clerk.
Status:  Chapter 22, Statutes of 2011

SB 112 (Liu)  State mandates: claiming instructions.
Requires any amendment of the parameters and guidelines boilerplate language for purposes of state reimbursement of any claim relating to a statute or executive order that does not increase or decrease reimbursable costs to limit the eligible filing period commencing with the fiscal year in which the amended parameters and guidelines were adopted.
Status:  Chapter 144, Statutes of 2011

SB 134 (Corbett)  Health care districts: transfer of assets. *
Would have required healthcare districts to appraise the fair market value of assets that they transfer to other corporations for less than fair market value.  Status:  Read second time. Ordered to Assembly third reading.

SB 170 (Pavley)  Air districts: adverse effects of air pollution: intellectual property.
Authorizes local and regional air pollution control districts and air quality management districts to sponsor air pollution prevention and mitigation projects, and allows districts to share in revenues generated from the commercialization of intellectual property, as specified.
Status:  Chapter 586, Statutes of 2011
SB 194 (Governance and Finance)  Local government: omnibus bill.
Enacts the "Local Government Omnibus Act of 2011" and makes 22 changes to the state laws affecting local agencies' powers and duties.

**Status:** Chapter 382, Statutes of 2011

**SB 204 (Liu)**  
**Local alternative transportation improvement program.**  
Would have authorized the development of a local alternative transportation improvement program to facilitate the sale of excess property owned by the California Department of Transportation for the State Route 710 Study Area in Los Angeles County.

**Status:** Vetoed

**SB 214 (Wolk)**  
**Infrastructure financing districts: voter approval: repeal.**  
Would have eliminated the requirement of voter approval to create an IFD and revised the provisions governing the public facilities that may be financed by an IFD.

**Status:** Vetoed

**SB 235 (Negrete McLeod)**  
**Water conservation districts: reduction in number of directors.**  
Authorizes a water conservation district with a board consisting of seven directors to reduce the number of directors to five.

**Status:** Chapter 122, Statutes of 2011

**SB 288 (Negrete McLeod)**  
**Local government: independent special districts.**  
Authorizes the governing board of an independent special district to provide, by resolution, for the establishment of a revolving fund in an amount not to exceed 110% of one-twelfth of the district's adopted budget for that fiscal year.

**Status:** Chapter 66, Statutes of 2011

**SB 325 (Rubio)**  
**Central California Railroad Authority.**  
Creates the Central California Railroad Authority to provide rail freight service within Kern, Kings, Tulare, Fresno, and Merced Counties.

**Status:** Chapter 234, Statutes of 2011

**SB 437 (Correa)**  
**Orange County Transportation Authority.**  
Would have limited the terms of certain city members of the Orange County Transportation Authority board of directors. **Status:** Referred to Assembly Committees on Transportation and Local Government. In Committee on Transportation: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

**SB 446 (Dutton)**  
**Ontario International Airport.**  
Would have established the Ontario International Airport Authority. **Status:** In Assembly Committee on Local Government: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.
SB 475 (Wright)  Infrastructure financing. *
Would have changed the statutory authorization for local governmental agencies to utilize private sector financing alone or in concert with public financing, to study, plan, design, construct, develop, finance, maintain, rebuild, improve, repair, or operate, or any combination thereof, fee-producing infrastructure facilities. Status: In Assembly Committee on Local Government: Set, first hearing. Failed passage in committee. Reconsideration granted.

SB 555 (Hancock)  Local government: community facilities districts.
Adds the acquisition, installation, and improvement of energy efficiency, water conservation, and renewable energy improvements that are affixed to the types of facilities that a community facilities district may finance, or refinance, regardless of whether the buildings or property are privately or publicly owned. Status: Chapter 493, Statutes of 2011

SB 644 (Hancock)  West Contra Costa Healthcare District: certificates of participation.
Requires all certificates of participation executed and delivered by the West Contra Costa Healthcare District between June 8, 2004, and December 31, 2012, to be secured by a statutory lien on all the revenues generated from a parcel tax passed by district voters in 2004. Status: Chapter 742, Statutes of 2011

SB 659 (E. Hernández)  San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority: board members. *
Would have allowed an appointing authority of the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority, by a majority vote, to remove their member or alternate member of the Authority without cause and at any time prior to the expiration of the member's or alternate member's term of office, and appoint or elect another person as a member or alternate. Status: Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials. In Committee on Local Government: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

SB 736 (Cannella)  County road commissioner: Merced County.
Authorizes the Board of Supervisors of Merced County to transfer the duties of the county road commissioner to Merced County’s Department of Public Works. Status: Chapter 378, Statutes of 2012

SB 804 (Corbett)  Health care districts: transfers of assets.
Requires health districts, when transferring 50% or more of the district's assets to a nonprofit corporation, to include in the transfer agreement the appraised fair market value from an independent consultant, as specified, and adds in several other requirements related to transfer agreements. Status: Chapter 684, Statutes of 2012

SB 1002 (Yee)  Public records: electronic format.
Would have required the State Chief Information Officer to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of providing electronic records in an open format. Status: Vetoed
SB 1090 (Governance and Finance)  Local government: omnibus bill.
Enacts the Local Government Omnibus Act of 2012, which proposes twelve technical, noncontroversial changes to state laws affecting local agencies’ powers and duties.
Status:  Chapter 330, Statutes of 2012

SB 1131 (La Malfa)  Public cemetery districts: interments.
Allows the Anderson Cemetery District, Cottonwood Cemetery District, and Silveyville Cemetery District to inter nonresidents under specified conditions.
Status:  Chapter 65, Statutes of 2012

SB 1156 (Steinberg)  Sustainable Communities Investment Authority.
Would have allowed local governments to establish a Sustainable Communities Investment Authority after July 1, 2012, to finance specified activities within a sustainable communities investment area.
Status:  Vetoed

SB 1225 (Padilla)  Intercity rail agreements.
Authorizes, until June 30, 2014, the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to enter into an interagency transfer agreement with the Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Corridor Agency for the provision of intercity passenger rail service in that corridor.
Status:  Chapter 802, Statutes of 2012

SB 1342 (Emmerson)  Counties: recording: real estate instruments.
Increases, from $3 to $10, the maximum fee that a county can place on certain recorded real estate documents to fund real estate fraud prevention and enforcement.
Status:  Chapter 104, Statutes of 2012

SB 1466 (De León)  Peace officers: City of Los Angeles.
Transfers control over the authorization of peace officer status for officers employed by the Department of General Services (GSD) of the City of Los Angeles from GSD to the Los Angeles Police Department.
Status:  Chapter 795, Statutes of 2012

SB 1468 (Calderon)  Fireworks.
Would have authorized the sale of "safe and sane" fireworks between Christmas and New Year’s Day in 2014-15 and 2015-16, permitted limited recovery of specified costs by local governments, and provided for a two-year fireworks data collection effort to be funded by voluntary contributions from the fireworks industry.  Status:  In Assembly Committee on Appropriations:  Set, second hearing.  Held in committee under submission.

SB 1517 (Wolk)  Counties: construction projects: design-build. **
Would have extended to 2018 the authorization for counties to utilize design-build bidding procedures.  Status:  In Assembly Committee on Health:  from committee with author's amendments.
SB 1549 (Vargas)  Transportation projects: alternative project delivery methods.  
Authorizes the San Diego Association of Governments to use the "design sequencing" and "Construction Manager/General Contractor" alternative project delivery methods for an unlimited number of transit projects.  
Status: Chapter 767, Statutes of 2012

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AB 23 (Smyth)  Local agency meetings: compensation disclosure.  
Requires a member of a legislative body or the clerk to announce, prior to holding a meeting simultaneously or in serial order, during a meeting of a legislative body where the members of the legislative body constitute at least a quorum of the legislative body of the other meeting, how much compensation or stipend the members will receive for the second meeting.  
Status: Chapter 91, Statutes of 2011

AB 148 (Smyth)  Local government: ethics training: disclosure.  
Would have required the Controller to withhold any funds to which a local agency is entitled to until the local agency posts its adopted written attendance compensation policy or adopted written reimbursement policy on the local agency's Internet Web site, if any, and submits a copy of the written policy to the Controller.  
Status: Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 309 (Cook)  Public officers: removal from office.  
Requires an appointed or ex officio office to become vacant when the incumbent is debarred, suspended, disqualified, or otherwise excluded from participating in a covered transaction, pursuant to federal law, and certain conditions are met.  
Status: Chapter 543, Statutes of 2011

Would have required a local agency to post at least 72 hours before a regular meeting of a legislative body the agenda and applicable staff-generated reports on the local agency's Internet Web site, if any, and, for a local agency without an Internet Web site, would have required a local agency to disclose on the physically posted agenda the public location where the local agency makes available any applicable staff-generated reports for public inspection and copying at least 72 hours in advance of the regular meeting.  
Status: Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 527 (R. Hernández)  Public officials: financial interests.  
Would have prohibited state, county, district, judicial district, and city officers or employees from authorizing the expenditure of public funds, or approve or recommend approval of any project, plan, permit, or conveyance of land, regardless of whether a contract is made in furtherance of the expenditure, project, plan, permit, or conveyance, if any member of the body or board is financially interested in the transaction by virtue of independent contracting by the individual or nongovernmental entity receiving either public funds or an entitlement.  
Status:
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AB 582 (Pan)  Open meetings: local agencies.
Would have required the legislative body of a local agency to publicly notice twice a proposed compensation increase of more than 5% for a city manager, deputy city manager, county chief administrative officer, deputy chief administrative officer, or similar employee. **Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 706 (Torres)  Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority.
Renames the Pasadena Metro Blue Line Construction Authority to Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority; adds two additional non-voting members to the governing board of the Authority; specifies circumstances under which board members and alternate members of the Authority shall not be considered financially interested; and, exempts board and alternate members from specified incompatible office and incompatible activity statutes. **Status:** Chapter 533, Statutes of 2011

AB 785 (Mendoza)  Public officers: contracts: financial interest.
Would have provided that a public official, who is an elected or appointed member of a state or local government agency, has a financial interest in a decision of that agency if an immediate family member of the public official has a financial interest in the decision. **Status:** Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

AB 1590 (Campos)  Local government meetings: legislative body: definition.
Would have applied local agency open meeting laws to assessment appeals boards. **Status:** Re-referred to Assembly Committee on Appropriations.

AB 1736 (Smyth)  Local government: open meetings.
Would have added the Governor, specified public safety officials and relevant staff to the list of individuals and agencies with which a local legislative body may meet in closed session pursuant to the 'public security' exemption of the state's open meeting laws. **Status:** In Senate: Read third time. Refused passage.

SB 475 (Wright)  Local agencies: open meetings: teleconferences.
Permits local health authorities to establish a quorum via teleconference under the local government's open meeting laws if at least 50% of the board members constituting the quorum are physically present within the boundaries of the jurisdiction. **Status:** Chapter 209, Statutes of 2012

SB 1003 (Yee)  Local government: open meetings: cease and desist letters.
Amends local government open meeting laws to authorize legal action against a legislative body to determine if certain ongoing or past actions of that body within the past nine months have violated those laws. **Status:** Chapter 732, Statutes of 2012
SCA 7 (Yee)  
Public bodies: meetings. **
Would have amended, subject to voter approval, the state constitution to require that every public body provide public notice of its meetings and publicly disclose any actions taken, which would eliminate any requirement that the state reimburse local public agencies for such actions under the Brown Act. Status: In Assembly Committee on Appropriations: set, second hearing. Held in committee and under submission.
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