

## Fresno Council of Governments Monthly State Legislative Report 5/5/2016

### [AB 156](#) ([McCarty D](#)) **Ammunition.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/4/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 1/20/2015

**Last Amend:** 5/4/2016

**Status:** 5/4/2016-Re-referred to Com. on PUB. S. From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on PUB. S.

**Location:** 5/4/2016-S. PUB. S.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the law enforcement officer to provide a victim of domestic violence to whom information is disseminated with a "Victims of Domestic Violence" card, and authorizes the victim or other person to whom the information is disseminated to disclose that information as he or she deems necessary to protect himself, herself, or another person from bodily harm by the person who is the subject of the record. This bill would require the Attorney General to also maintain information about ammunition transactions and ammunition vendor licenses for those purposes.

#### Position

Support

**Notes 1:** Fresno Chamber of Commerce supported in February

### [AB 448](#) ([Brown D](#)) **Local government finance: property tax revenue allocations: vehicle license fee adjustments.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/23/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/23/2015

**Status:** 8/27/2015-In committee: Held under submission.

**Location:** 8/27/2015-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current property tax law requires the county auditor, in each fiscal year, to allocate property tax revenue to local jurisdictions in accordance with specified formulas and procedures, and generally provides that each jurisdiction shall be allocated an amount equal to the total of the amount of revenue allocated to that jurisdiction in the prior fiscal year, subject to certain modifications, and that jurisdiction's portion of the annual tax increment, as defined. This bill would modify these reduction and transfer provisions, for the 2015-16 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, by providing for a vehicle license fee adjustment amount calculated on the basis of changes in assessed valuation.

#### Position

### [AB 779](#) ([Garcia, Cristina D](#)) **Transportation: congestion management program.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 8/19/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/25/2015

**Last Amend:** 8/19/2015

**Status:** 8/25/2015-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

**Location:** 8/24/2015-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would revise the definition of "infill opportunity zone" to not require that it be within a specified distance of a major transit stop or high-quality transit corridor. The bill would revise the requirements for a congestion management program by removing traffic level of service standards established for a system of highways and roadways as a required element and instead requiring measures of effectiveness for a system of highways and roadways.

#### Position

### [AB 857](#) ([Cooper D](#)) **Firearms: identifying information.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/4/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/26/2015

**Last Amend:** 5/4/2016

**Status:** 5/4/2016-Re-referred to Com. on PUB. S. From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on PUB. S.

**Location:** 5/4/2016-S. PUB. S.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would, commencing July 1, 2018, require a person who manufactures or assembles a firearm to first apply to the Department of Justice for a unique serial number or other identifying mark, as provided. The bill would, by January 1, 2019, require any person who, as of July 1, 2018, owns a firearm that does not bear a serial number to likewise apply to the department for a unique serial number or other mark of identification.

**Position**

**AB 904 (Perea D) Air Quality Improvement Program: Clean Reused Vehicle Rebate Project.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/13/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/26/2015

**Last Amend:** 7/13/2015

**Status:** 4/25/2016-Withdrawn from committee. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

**Location:** 4/25/2016-S. RLS.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the State Air Resources Board to establish the Clean Reused Vehicle Rebate Project, as a part of the Air Quality Improvement Program, to provide rebates or other incentives for the acquisition of an eligible used vehicle, as defined; the replacement or refurbishment of a battery and related components for an eligible used vehicle or an extended warranty for the battery or related components; or an extended service warranty to cover unexpected vehicle repairs not covered by the manufacturer's warranty related to unique problems in eligible used vehicles, as specified.

**Position**

**AB 1009 (Garcia, Cristina D) Local government: redevelopment: revenues from property tax override rates.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/26/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/26/2015

**Status:** 1/31/2016-Died pursuant to Article IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.

**Location:** 1/31/2016-A. DEAD

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would authorize a city or county that levies a property tax rate, approved by the voters of a city or county to make payments in support of pension programs and levied in addition to the general property tax rate, to make a request to an oversight board to prohibit revenues derived from that property tax rate from being deposited into a Redevelopment Property Tax Fund. This bill would authorize an oversight board to deny this request based on substantial evidence that a former redevelopment agency made a pledge of revenues that specifically included revenues derived from the imposition of that property tax rate.

**Position**

**AB 1030 (Ridley-Thomas D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/7/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/26/2015

**Last Amend:** 7/7/2015

**Status:** 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. on 8/27/2015)

**Location:** 8/28/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires moneys in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to be used to facilitate the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and, where applicable and to the extent feasible, to foster job creation by promoting in-state greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects carried out by California workers and businesses. This bill would require priority be given to projects involving hiring that support the targeted training and hiring of workers from disadvantaged communities for career-track jobs.

**Position**

**AB 1098 (Bloom D) Transportation: congestion management.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/26/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/27/2015

**Last Amend:** 3/26/2015

**Status:** 1/15/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(1). (Last location was 2 YEAR on 5/1/2015)

**Location:** 1/15/2016-A. DEAD

<b>Dead</b>	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires a congestion management program to be developed, adopted, and updated biennially by a designated agency for every county that includes an urbanized area. This bill would delete the traffic level of service standards as an element of a congestion management program and would delete related requirements, including the requirement that a city or county prepare a deficiency plan when highway or roadway level of service standards are not maintained. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position**

**AB 1176 (Cooper D) Theft: firearms.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/4/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/27/2015

**Last Amend:** 5/4/2016

**Status:** 5/4/2016-Re-referred to Com. on PUB. S. From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on PUB. S.

**Location:** 5/4/2016-S. PUB. S.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	<b>Policy</b>	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The current Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act, enacted as an initiative statute by Proposition 47, as approved by the electors at the November 4, 2014, statewide general election, makes the theft of property that does not exceed \$950 in value petty theft, and makes that crime punishable as a misdemeanor, with certain exceptions. This bill would amend that initiative statute by making the theft of a firearm grand theft in all cases and punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months, or 2 or 3 years. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

**Position**

**AB 1233 (Levine D) Public works: public subsidies.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 1/4/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/27/2015

**Last Amend:** 1/4/2016

**Status:** 2/4/2016-Referred to Com. on L. & I.R.

**Location:** 2/4/2016-S. L. & I.R.

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**Summary:** Would provide that a public subsidy is de minimis if it is both less than \$250,000 and less than 2% of the total project cost. The bill would specify that those provisions do not apply to a project that was advertised for bid, or a contract that was awarded, before July 1, 2017.

**Position**

**AB 1555 (Gomez D) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/28/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 1/4/2016

**Last Amend:** 3/28/2016

**Status:** 5/4/2016- Re-referred to Com. on BUDGET. pursuant to Assembly Rule 96. (Set for hearing on 5/11/2016)

**Location:** 5/4/2016-A. BUDGET

Desk	<b>Policy</b>	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would appropriate \$800,000,000 from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for the 2016-17 fiscal year to various state agencies in specified amounts for various purposes including, among other things, low carbon transportation and infrastructure, clean energy communities, wetland and watershed restoration, and carbon sequestration. The bill would state the intent of the Legislature to reserve \$150,000,000 from the fund to fund future legislative priorities.

**Position**

**AB 1586 (Mathis R) California Environmental Quality Act: Temperance Flat Reservoir.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/28/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 1/6/2016

**Last Amend:** 3/28/2016

**Status:** 4/4/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Failed passage. Reconsideration granted.

**Location:** 4/5/2016-A. NAT. RES.

Desk	<b>Policy</b>	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act establishes a procedure by which a person may seek judicial review of the decision of the lead agency made pursuant to the act. This bill would prohibit the court, in an action or proceeding alleging a violation of the act, from staying or enjoining the construction or operation of the Temperance Flat Reservoir unless the court makes certain findings. This bill contains other related provisions.

**Position**

**AB 1591 (Frazier D) Transportation funding.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 1/6/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 1/6/2016

**Status:** 2/1/2016-Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and REV. & TAX.

**Location:** 2/1/2016-A. TRANS.

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**Summary:** Would create the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system. The bill would require the California Transportation Commission to adopt performance criteria to ensure efficient use of the funds available for the program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position**

**AB 1649 (Salas D) State water policy: priority: surface water storage projects and joint powers authorities.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/5/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 1/12/2016

**Last Amend:** 4/5/2016

**Status:** 4/27/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

**Location:** 4/27/2016-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

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**Summary:** Would require the Department of Water Resources to develop a state water policy that gives priority to the formation of joint powers authorities that are formed to address critical surface water storage needs and to funding of the joint powers authorities' surface water projects. The bill would make findings and declarations of the Legislature, including, but not limited to, that, of the water storage projects available, the Temperance Flat Dam and Sites Reservoir will meet statewide goals and provide specified public benefits to the greatest extent.

**Position**

**AB 1780 (Medina D) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: trade corridors.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/28/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/3/2016

**Last Amend:** 3/28/2016

**Status:** 4/20/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

**Location:** 4/20/2016-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

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**Summary:** Would, beginning in the 2016-17 fiscal year, continuously appropriate 20% of the annual proceeds of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the California Transportation Commission to be allocated to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in trade corridors consistent with specified guidelines, thereby making an appropriation.

**Position**

**[AB 1815](#) (Alejo D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: disadvantaged communities.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/2/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/8/2016

**Last Amend:** 5/2/2016

**Status:** 5/3/2016-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 5/3/2016-A. APPR.

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**Summary:** Current law requires the California Environmental Protection Agency to identify disadvantaged communities and requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the state board and any other relevant state agency, to develop, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Current law requires the 3-year investment plan to allocate a minimum of 25% of the available moneys in the fund to projects that provide benefits to disadvantaged communities. This bill would require the agency to establish a comprehensive technical assistance program, upon the appropriation of moneys from the fund, for eligible applicants, as specified, assisting eligible communities, as defined.

**Position**

Support

**[AB 1833](#) (Linder R) Transportation projects: environmental mitigation.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/25/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/9/2016

**Last Amend:** 4/25/2016

**Status:** 4/26/2016-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/26/2016-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would create the Advanced Mitigation Program in the Department of Transportation to implement environmental mitigation measures in advance of future transportation projects. The bill, by February 1, 2017, would require the department to establish a steering committee to advise the department in that regard.

**Position**

**[AB 1886](#) (McCarty D) California Environmental Quality Act: transit priority projects.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/11/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/11/2016

**Status:** 5/3/2016-ASM. NAT. RES. Vote - Do pass as amended.

**Location:** 2/25/2016-A. NAT. RES.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** CEQA exempts from its requirements transit priority projects meeting certain requirements, including the requirement that the project be within 1/2 mile of a major transit stop or high-quality transit corridor included in a regional transportation plan. CEQA specifies that a project is considered to be within 1/2 mile of a major transit stop or high-quality transit corridor if, among other things, all parcels within the project have no more than 25% of their area farther than 1/2 mile from the stop or corridor. This bill would increase that percentage to 50%.

**Position**

**[AB 1919](#) (Quirk D) Local transportation authorities: bonds.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/4/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/11/2016

**Last Amend:** 4/4/2016

**Status:** 5/4/2016-ASM. L. GOV. Vote - Do pass.

**Location:** 4/11/2016-A. L. GOV.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The Local Transportation Authority and Improvement Act provides for the creation in any county of a local transportation authority and authorizes the imposition of a retail transactions and use

tax by ordinance, subject to approval of the ordinance by 2/3 of the voters. Current law requires the bond proceeds to be placed in the treasury of the local transportation authority and to be used for allowable transportation purposes, except that accrued interest and premiums received on the sale of the bonds are required to be placed in a fund to be used for the payment of bond debt service. This bill would require the premiums received on the sale of the bonds to be placed in the treasury of the local transportation authority to be used for allowable transportation purposes.

**Position**

**AB 1982 (Bloom D) California Transportation Commission: membership.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/12/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2016

**Last Amend:** 4/12/2016

**Status:** 4/22/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was A. TRANS. on 4/13/2016)

**Location:** 4/22/2016-A. DEAD

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**Summary:** Would expand the membership of the California Transportation Commission to 15 members by providing for the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly to each appoint an additional member, who shall be a person who works directly with communities that are most significantly burdened by, and vulnerable to, high levels of pollution, including, but not limited to, communities with diverse racial and ethnic populations and communities with low-income populations.

**Position**

**AB 2170 (Frazier D) Trade Corridors Improvement Fund: federal funds.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/15/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/18/2016

**Last Amend:** 3/15/2016

**Status:** 4/20/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

**Location:** 4/20/2016-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Desk	Policy	<b>Fiscal</b>	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require revenues apportioned to the state from the National Highway Freight Program established by the federal Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act to be allocated for trade corridor improvement projects approved pursuant to specified provisions. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position**

**AB 2181 (Brown D) Public contracts: contract specifications.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/11/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/18/2016

**Last Amend:** 4/11/2016

**Status:** 4/13/2016-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 8. Noes 0.) (April 13). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/13/2016-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	<b>Fiscal</b>	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** The California State University Contract Law governs contracting for building and improvement projects by the California State University and imposes specific competitive bidding requirements for the Trustees of the California State University, including the preparation of specifications for a project. This bill would require an awarding department, on or before January 1, 2018, to prepare and submit to the Legislature and the Governor a report on the greenhouse gas emissions that are associated with emissions-intensive products, as defined, in projects within the jurisdiction of the department.

**Position**

**AB 2222 (Holden D) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Transit Pass Program.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/6/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/18/2016

**Last Amend:** 4/6/2016

**Status:** 4/27/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

**Location:** 4/27/2016-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

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**Summary:** Would continuously appropriate \$50,000,000 annually from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for the Transit Pass Program, to be administered by the Department of Transportation. The bill would require that funding be allocated by the Controller, as specified, upon a determination by the Department of Transportation, that transit pass programs of public agencies to provide free or reduced-fare transit passes to public school students and community college, California State University, and University of California meet certain requirements.

**Position**

**[AB 2289](#) (Frazier D) Department of Transportation: capital improvement projects.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/18/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/18/2016

**Status:** 4/28/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

**Location:** 4/28/2016-S. RLS.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the Department of Transportation to prepare a state highway operation and protection program for the expenditure of transportation funds for major capital improvements that are necessary to preserve and protect the state highway system and that include capital projects relative to maintenance, safety, and rehabilitation of state highways and bridges that do not add a new traffic lane to the system. This bill would add to the program capital projects relative to the operation of those state highways and bridges.

**Position**

**[AB 2332](#) (Garcia, Eduardo D) Transportation funding: complete streets.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/5/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/18/2016

**Last Amend:** 4/5/2016

**Status:** 4/22/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was A. TRANS. on 4/5/2016)

**Location:** 4/22/2016-A. DEAD

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**Summary:** Would require the Department of Transportation to increase the annual number of complete street projects undertaken by the department by 20% over the 2016 baseline by the year 2020 and increase accessibility for low-income and disadvantaged communities by increasing multimodal transportation proximity to employment, jobs, housing, and recreation areas. The bill would establish department goals to reduce by 10% based on the 2016 baseline the number of transit, pedestrian, and bicyclist fatalities, and reduce by 15% statewide per capita the vehicle miles traveled by the year 2020, and to increase travel by nonautomobile modes of travel, as specified.

**Position**

**[AB 2374](#) (Chiu D) Construction Manager/General Contractor method: regional transportation agencies: ramps.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/18/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/18/2016

**Status:** 4/28/2016-Referred to Com. on T. & H.

**Location:** 4/28/2016-S. T. & H.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law authorizes regional transportation agencies to use the Construction Manager/General Contractor project delivery method, as specified, to design and construct certain expressways that are not on the state highway system if: (1) the expressways are developed in accordance with an expenditure plan approved by voters, (2) there is an evaluation of the traditional design-bid-build method of construction and of the Construction Manager/General Contractor method, and (3) the board of the regional transportation agency adopts the method in a public meeting. This bill would authorize regional transportation agencies also to use this authority on ramps that are not on the state highway system, as specified.

**Position**

**AB 2411 (Frazier D) Transportation revenues.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/19/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/19/2016

**Status:** 4/20/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

**Location:** 4/20/2016-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

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**Summary:** Current law requires certain miscellaneous revenues deposited in the State Highway Account that are not restricted as to expenditure by Article XIX of the California Constitution to be transferred to the Transportation Debt Service Fund in the State Transportation Fund, as specified, and requires the Controller to transfer from the fund to the General Fund an amount of those revenues necessary to offset the current year debt service made from the General Fund on general obligation transportation bonds issued pursuant to Proposition 116 of 1990. This bill would delete the transfer of these miscellaneous revenues to the Transportation Debt Service Fund, thereby eliminating the offsetting transfer to the General Fund for debt service on general obligation transportation bonds issued pursuant to Proposition 116 of 1990.

**Position**

**AB 2630 (Salas D) San Joaquin Valley Clean Energy and Jobs Act.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/13/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/19/2016

**Last Amend:** 4/13/2016

**Status:** 4/19/2016-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 9. Noes 0.) (April 18). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/19/2016-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Would require the Public Utilities Commission and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to evaluate, while taking into consideration ratepayer costs and benefits, potential renewable energy projects in the San Joaquin Valley, as specified, and, on or before January 31, 2017, using that evaluation, to recommend to the Independent System Operator an amount of renewable energy production in the San Joaquin Valley that reasonably maximizes, consistent with the state's overall need for renewable energy, the amount of renewable energy produced in the San Joaquin Valley.

**Position**

**AB 2796 (Bloom D) Active Transportation Program.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/4/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/19/2016

**Last Amend:** 4/4/2016

**Status:** 4/27/2016-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

**Location:** 4/27/2016-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law creates the Active Transportation Program in the Department of Transportation for the purpose of encouraging increased use of active modes of transportation. Current law requires the California Transportation Commission to award 50% and 10% of available funds to projects statewide and to projects in small urban and rural regions, respectively, with the remaining 40% of available funds to be awarded to projects by metropolitan planning organizations, with the funds available for distribution by each metropolitan planning organization based on its relative population. This bill would require a minimum of 5% of available funds in each of the 3 distribution categories to be awarded for planning and community engagement for active transportation in disadvantaged communities and a minimum of 10% of all available Active Transportation Program funds to be programmed for noninfrastructure purposes, except as provided.

**Position**

**ABX1 1 (Alejo D) Transportation funding.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 6/23/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)



**Introduced:** 6/23/2015  
**Status:** 6/24/2015-From printer.  
**Location:** 6/23/2015-A. PRINT

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Current law provides for loans of revenues from various transportation funds and accounts to the General Fund, with various repayment dates specified. This bill, with respect to any loans made to the General Fund from specified transportation funds and accounts with a repayment date of January 1, 2019, or later, would require the loans to be repaid by December 31, 2018. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

**Position**

**ABX1 3** **(Frazier D) Transportation funding.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 9/3/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 7/9/2015

**Last Amend:** 9/3/2015

**Status:** 9/24/2015-Senators Beall (Co-Chair), Allen, Leyva, Cannella, and Gaines appointed to Conference Committee.

**Location:** 9/24/2015-A. CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires the Department of Transportation to improve and maintain the state's highways, and establishes various programs to fund the development, construction, and repair of local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure in the state. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish permanent, sustainable sources of transportation funding to maintain and repair highways, local roads, bridges, and other critical infrastructure.

**Position**

**ABX1 4** **(Frazier D) Transportation funding.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 7/9/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 7/9/2015

**Status:** 9/3/2015-Referred to Com. on RLS.

**Location:** 9/3/2015-S. RLS.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Current law establishes various programs to fund the development, construction, and repair of local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure in the state. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish permanent, sustainable sources of transportation funding to improve the state's key trade corridors and support efforts by local governments to repair and improve local transportation infrastructure.

**Position**

**ABX1 13** **(Grove R) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: streets and highways.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 8/31/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 8/31/2015

**Status:** 9/1/2015-From printer.

**Location:** 8/31/2015-A. PRINT

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would reduce the continuous appropriation to the Strategic Growth Council for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program by half. This bill contains other related provisions.

**Position**

**ABX1 15** **(Patterson R) State Highway Operation and Protection Program: local streets and roads: appropriation.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 8/31/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 8/31/2015

**Status:** 9/1/2015-From printer.

**Location:** 8/31/2015-A. PRINT

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would reduce the \$663,287,000 appropriation for Capital Outlay Support by \$500 million, and would appropriate \$500 million from the State Highway Account for the 2015-16 fiscal year, with 50% to be made available to the Department of Transportation for maintenance of the state highway system or for purposes of the State Highway Operation and Protection Program, and 50% to be made available to the Controller for apportionment to cities and counties by formula for street and road purposes. This bill contains other existing laws.

**Position**

**ABX1 16 (Patterson R) State highways: transfer to local agencies: pilot program.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 8/31/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 8/31/2015

**Status:** 9/1/2015-From printer.

**Location:** 8/31/2015-A. PRINT

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would require the Department of Transportation to participate in a pilot program over a 5-year period under which 2 counties, one in northern California and one in southern California, are selected to operate, maintain, and make improvements to all state highways, including freeways, in the affected county. The bill would require the department, with respect to those counties, for the duration of the pilot program, to convey all of its authority and responsibility over state highways in the county to a county, or a regional transportation agency that has jurisdiction in the county.

**Position**

**ACA 4 (Frazier D) Local government transportation projects: special taxes: voter approval.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 8/17/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/27/2015

**Last Amend:** 8/17/2015

**Status:** 8/27/2015-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

**Location:** 8/19/2015-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would provide that the imposition, extension, or increase of a sales and use tax imposed pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or a transactions and use tax imposed in accordance with the Transactions and Use Tax Law by a county, city, city and county, or special district for the purpose of providing funding for local transportation projects, as defined, requires the approval of 55% of its voters voting on the proposition. The measure would also make conforming and technical, nonsubstantive changes.

**Position**

**SB 32 (Pavley D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 9/10/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 12/1/2014

**Last Amend:** 9/10/2015

**Status:** 9/11/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 9/10/2015)

**Location:** 9/11/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	2 year	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would require the State Air Resources Board to approve a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit that is equivalent to 40% below the 1990 level to be achieved by 2030. The bill also would state the intent of the Legislature for the Legislature and appropriate agencies to adopt complementary policies that ensure the long-term emissions reductions advance specified criteria. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position**

**[SB 39](#)**

**(Pavley D) Vehicles: high-occupancy vehicle lanes.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/8/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 12/1/2014

**Last Amend:** 4/8/2015

**Status:** 5/22/2015-Referred to Com. on TRANS.

**Location:** 5/22/2015-A. TRANS.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Current federal law, until September 30, 2017, authorizes a state to allow specified labeled vehicles to use lanes designated for high-occupancy vehicles (HOVs). Current law authorizes the DMV to issue no more than 70,000 of those identifiers. This bill would increase the number of those identifiers that the DMV is authorized to issue to an unspecified amount. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

**Position**

**[SB 189](#)**

**(Hueso D) Clean Energy and Low-Carbon Economic and Jobs Growth Blue Ribbon Committee.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 8/17/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/9/2015

**Last Amend:** 8/17/2015

**Status:** 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/26/2015)

**Location:** 8/28/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	2 year	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would create the Clean Energy and Low-Carbon Economic and Jobs Growth Blue Ribbon Committee in the California Environmental Protection Agency, comprising 7 members appointed by the Governor, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the Senate Committee on Rules, as provided. The bill would prescribe the terms and qualifications of committee members and would require the committee to hold its first meeting on or before December 1, 2016.

**Position**

**[SB 321](#)**

**(Beall D) Motor vehicle fuel taxes: rates: adjustments.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 8/18/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/23/2015

**Last Amend:** 8/18/2015

**Status:** 9/11/2015-Ordered to inactive file on request of Senator Beall.

**Location:** 9/11/2015-S. INACTIVE FILE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would, for the 2016- 17 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, require the State Board of Equalization on March 1 of the fiscal year immediately preceding the applicable fiscal year, as specified, to adjust the rate in a manner as to generate an amount of revenue equal to the amount of revenue loss attributable to the exemption, based on estimates made by the board that reflect the combined average of the actual fuel price over the previous 4 fiscal years and the estimated fuel price for the current fiscal year, and continuing to take into account adjustments required by existing law to maintain revenue neutrality for each year. This bill contains other existing laws.

**Position**

**[SB 1000](#)**

**(Leyva D) Land use: general plans: environmental justice.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/12/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/10/2016

**Last Amend:** 4/12/2016

**Status:** 4/29/2016-Set for hearing May 9.

**Location:** 4/21/2016-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** The Planning and Zoning Law requires the legislative body of each county and city to adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for the physical development of the county or city and of any land outside its boundaries that bears relation to its planning. This bill would add to the required elements of the general plan an environmental justice element that identifies disadvantaged

communities, as defined, within the area covered by the general plan of the city, county, or city and county.

**Position**

**[SB 1066](#) (Beall D) Transportation funds: fund estimates.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/16/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2016

**Status:** 4/28/2016-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

**Location:** 4/28/2016-A. DESK

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Current law requires the Department of Transportation to submit to the California Transportation Commission an estimate of state and federal funds reasonably expected to be available for future programming over the 5-year period in each state transportation improvement program, and requires the California Transportation Commission to adopt a fund estimate in that regard. This bill would require the fund estimates prepared by the department and the commission to identify and include federal funds derived from apportionments made to the state under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act of 2015.

**Position**

**[SB 1320](#) (Runner R) California Transportation Commission.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/19/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/19/2016

**Status:** 4/22/2016-Failed Deadline pursuant to Joint Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was S. T. & H. on 3/3/2016)

**Location:** 4/22/2016-S. DEAD

Desk	Dead	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would exclude the California Transportation Commission from the Transportation Agency, establish it as an entity in state government, and require it to act in an independent oversight role. The bill would also make conforming changes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position**

**[SBX1 1](#) (Beall D) Transportation funding: environmental mitigation: oversight.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/21/2016 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 6/22/2015

**Last Amend:** 4/21/2016

**Status:** 4/21/2016-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 4/21/2016-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would create the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system and for other specified purposes. The bill would provide for the deposit of various funds for the program in the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account, which the bill would create in the State Transportation Fund.

**Position**

**[SBX1 2](#) (Huff R) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 6/30/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 6/30/2015

**Status:** 9/1/2015-September 1 set for first hearing. Failed passage in committee. (Ayes 3. Noes 9. Page 56.) Reconsideration granted.

**Location:** 6/30/2015-S. T. & I.D.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would provide that those annual proceeds shall be appropriated by the Legislature for transportation infrastructure, including public streets and highways, but excluding high-speed rail. This

bill contains other existing laws.

**Position**

**SBX1 4 (Beall D) Transportation funding.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 9/4/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 7/7/2015

**Last Amend:** 9/4/2015

**Status:** 9/24/2015-Senators Beall (Co-Chair), Allen, Leyva, Cannella and Gaines appointed to Conference Committee.

**Location:** 9/24/2015-S. CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Current law requires the Department of Transportation to improve and maintain the state's highways, and establishes various programs to fund the development, construction, and repair of local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure in the state. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact statutory changes to establish permanent, sustainable sources of transportation funding to maintain and repair the state's highways, local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure.

**Position**

**SBX1 5 (Beall D) Transportation funding.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 7/7/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 7/7/2015

**Status:** 9/1/2015-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

**Location:** 9/1/2015-A. DESK

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Current law establishes various programs to fund the development, construction, and repair of local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure in the state. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish permanent, sustainable sources of transportation funding to improve the state's key trade corridors and support efforts by local governments to repair and improve local transportation infrastructure.

**Position**

**SBX1 10 (Bates R) Regional transportation capital improvement funds.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 7/16/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 7/16/2015

**Status:** 9/9/2015-September 8 hearing: Testimony taken. Hearing postponed by committee.

**Location:** 7/16/2015-S. T. & I.D.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:** Current law requires funds available for regional projects to be programmed by the California Transportation Commission pursuant to the county shares formula, under which a certain amount of funding is available for programming in each county, based on population and miles of state highway. Current law specifies the various types of projects that may be funded with the regional share of funds to include state highways, local roads, transit, and others. This bill would revise the process for programming and allocating the 75% share of state and federal funds available for regional transportation improvement projects.

**Position**

**SBX1 11 (Berryhill R) Environmental quality: transportation infrastructure.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 9/4/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 7/16/2015

**Last Amend:** 9/4/2015

**Status:** 9/4/2015-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on T. & I.D.

**Location:** 9/4/2015-S. T. & I.D.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report (EIR) on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. This bill would exempt from these CEQA provisions a project that consists of the inspection, maintenance, repair, restoration, reconditioning, relocation, replacement, or removal of existing transportation infrastructure if certain conditions are met, and would require the person undertaking these projects to take certain actions

**Position**

**SBX1 12 (Runner R) California Transportation Commission.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 8/20/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 7/16/2015

**Last Amend:** 8/20/2015

**Status:** 8/20/2015-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 8/20/2015-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would exclude the California Transportation Commission from the Transportation Agency, establish it as an entity in state government, and require it to act in an independent oversight role. The bill would also make conforming changes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position**

**SBX1 13 (Vidak R) Office of the Transportation Inspector General.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 9/3/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 7/16/2015

**Last Amend:** 9/3/2015

**Status:** 9/3/2015-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

**Location:** 9/3/2015-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would create the Office of the Transportation Inspector General in state government, as an independent office that would not be a subdivision of any other government entity, to build capacity for self-correction into the government itself and to ensure that all state agencies expending state transportation funds are operating efficiently, effectively, and in compliance with federal and state laws.

**Position**

**SCA 7 (Huff R) Motor vehicle fees and taxes: restriction on expenditures.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/28/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 4/9/2015

**Last Amend:** 5/28/2015

**Status:** 1/12/2016-Set for hearing January 19 in E. & C.A. pending receipt.

**Location:** 5/28/2015-S. E. & C.A.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

**Summary:** Would prohibit the Legislature from borrowing revenues from fees and taxes imposed by the state on vehicles or their use or operation, and from using those revenues other than as specifically permitted by Article XIX. The measure would also provide that none of those revenues may be pledged or used for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other indebtedness.

**Position**

**Total Measures: 52**  
**Total Tracking Forms: 52**

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*The COPS hiring grants round opening is always one of the important highlights of the year. We've got that for you below, along with big other developments across the federal spectrum, as you'll see in our summary for your review.*

### 2016 COPS Hiring Program Solicitation Opens



On Monday, the Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) released a solicitation of applications for the FY16 **COPS Hiring Program** (CHP). The COPS Office will award approximately \$137 million in total CHP funding. The purpose of CHP is to provide assistance to hire and re-hire entry level career law enforcement officers in order to preserve jobs, increase community policing capacities, and support crime prevention efforts. Eligible applicants are state, local, and tribal law enforcement agencies with primary authority. The application deadline is **Thursday, June 23, 2016** at 7:59 pm. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

This year, CHP grants will fund the number of officer positions equal to five percent of actual sworn force strength, totaling a maximum of 15 officers with a service population of less than 1 million or a maximum of 25 officers for agencies serving over 1 million. CHP funding will cover 75 percent of the approved entry-level salaries and fringe benefits of each newly hired and/or rehired full-time officer, up to \$125,000 per position. There is a 25 percent local match requirement. The grant period is 36 months, and grantees must retain all sworn officer positions awarded through CHP funding for a minimum of 12 months thereafter. For more, click on [FY16 COPS Hiring Program](#).

### Senate's Water Resources Development Act of 2016

On Thursday, by a vote of 19-1, the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee approved the *Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2016 (S. 2848)*. The bill authorizes 25 U.S. Army Corps of Engineer projects in 17 states, in order to dredge, maintain, and modernize ports and waterways that keep freight moving. It authorizes flood control and coastal hurricane protection projects, and authorizes FEMA to provide assistance to

rehabilitate "high hazard potential" dams. The bill promotes restoration of nationally-significant water bodies and ecosystems, including the Great Lakes, Puget Sound, and Lake Tahoe, among others.

WRDA 2016 streamlines the process for approval of modifications to existing Corps projects and for new water withdrawals from Corps reservoirs. It expands the role of local partners in the implementation of water resource projects, allowing non-Federal interests to contribute goods and services for a Corps project. To address the ongoing drought in the western United States, the bill requires the Corps to update the operation of its reservoirs to incorporate new technologies and better meet project purposes, including water supply needs. It allows non-Federal interests to provide funding to the Corps to update or modify project operations to improve water supply.

In response to the Flint water crisis, WRDA 2016 authorizes \$60 million to be spent annually from FY2017-2021 on a grant program for replacement of lead service lines, testing, planning, corrosion control, and education. The bill authorizes a total of \$1.4 billion from FY17-21 to assist small and disadvantaged communities in complying with the requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act. It provides \$70 million for credit subsidies to allow EPA to make secured loans for infrastructure investments under the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) Program, along with \$100 million in Drinking Water SRF assistance to "states with emergency drinking water situations." For more, click on [WRDA 2016](#).

### Two Years of My Brother's Keeper

We participated in a White House teleconference to recognize two years of progress on the My Brother's Keeper (MBK) initiative with Education Secretary **John King**, Cabinet Secretary and MBK Task Force Chairman **Broderick Johnson**, and Special Assistance to the President **Michael Smith**, who oversees the MBK initiative's day-to-day work. Since February 2014, nearly 250 communities have accepted the MBK Community Challenge, and more than \$600 million in private sector and philanthropic grants and in-kind resources and \$1 billion in low-interest finance have been committed in alignment with MBK. For more, click on [White House Fact Sheet](#) or [MBK 2016 Progress Report](#).

### House Committees Approve Opioid Bills

On Wednesday, the House Energy and Commerce Committee approved nine bills to help address the opioid and drug abuse crisis. One bill, H.R. 4981, amends the Controlled Substances Act to expand access to medication-assisted treatment and another bill, H.R. 4599, clarifies when a prescription for a

Schedule II drug may be partially filled. On Thursday, the Committee approved three more bills to fight opioid abuse. For more, click on [House E&C Committee Wednesday Bills](#) or [House E&C Committee Thursday Bills](#).

On Wednesday, the House Judiciary Committee approved the *Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Reduction Act*, which would combat the opioid epidemic by establishing a streamlined, comprehensive opioid abuse grant program that encompasses a variety of new and existing programs. The bill authorizes \$103 million in already-appropriated funding for the program. The Committee also approved the *Opioid Program Evaluation (OPEN) Act*. For more, click on [House Judiciary Committee Bills](#).

### Department of Labor's ApprenticeshipUSA

The Department of Labor announced that it is making \$90 million available this year to double and diversify the number of apprenticeships by 2018 through its *ApprenticeshipUSA* initiative. Of that amount, \$9.5 million will be allocated for State Accelerator Grants, \$50 million will be announced this spring through the State Expansion Grants Competition, and \$30 million will be provided for industry partnerships, innovations to enhance diversity, and access to apprenticeships. For more, click on [Fact Sheet](#).

### Federal Financing for Active Transportation Networks

On Wednesday, we participated in a DOT webinar to learn more about how the *FAST Act* reformed the TIFIA loan program to make it easier to secure federal funding for active transportation networks that promote walking and bicycling. For instance, although TIFIA has never been used to finance any of the capital costs of a bikeshare program before, we learned during the webinar that this is possible due to the *FAST Act* reforms. For more, including a video recording, click on [Federal Financing for Active Transportation](#) or [Webinar Slides](#). Please contact us if you have questions about applying for a loan through the TIFIA Program.

### FCC Modernizes the Lifeline Program



On Wednesday, the Federal Communications Commission, chaired by **Tom Wheeler**, officially issued its order to modernize the Lifeline program to increase broadband access for low-income consumers, which we also covered in the April 8 edition of the *Washington Friday Report*. For more, including statements from the Commissioners, click on [FCC Modernizes Lifeline](#).

### Medicaid Access for the Formerly-Incarcerated

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued new guidance on Thursday to update decades-old Medicaid policy to strengthen access to health care for individuals transitioning from incarceration back to their communities. The guidance clarifies that individuals who are currently on probation, parole, or in-home confinement are not considered inmates of a public institution. The guidance also extends coverage to Medicaid-eligible individuals living in community halfway houses where they have freedom of movement, improving access to care for as

many as 96,000 individuals in Medicaid expansion states over the course of the year. For more, click on [Medicaid for the Formerly-Incarcerated](#).

### Grants This Week



This week, we sent many of you grant notices on the [FY16 COPS Hiring Program](#), the [EPA FY16 Targeted Air Shed Grant Program](#), the [FTA Pilot Program for TOD Planning](#), the [ED Investing in Innovation \(i3\) Development Grant Program](#), the [OJJDP FY16 Juvenile Justice Emergency Planning Demonstration Program](#), and the [EDA FY16 Regional Innovation Strategies Program](#). Please contact *Jen Covino* with any questions about grants.

### Moving to Work Advisory Committee

HUD is establishing a Moving to Work Research Federal Advisory Committee, which will advise HUD on specific policy proposals and methods of research and evaluation for expansion of the Moving to Work demonstration, as provided by Congress in the FY16 omnibus appropriations bill. The 100 additional public housing agencies that will be selected by HUD as part of the MTW expansion over seven years must be high performers, meet certain site selection requirements, and represent geographic diversity across the country. Public comments about the Committee are due to HUD by **May 11**. For more, click on [MTW Research Federal Advisory Committee](#) or [HUD's MTW Website](#).

### Nominate a Champion of Change for Climate Equity

The White House is calling on the public to nominate *Champions of Change* who are working within vulnerable communities to help ensure that those most at-risk of the negative impacts of climate change have ample opportunities to adapt and thrive in a changing future. The White House notes that climate change exacerbates existing health and socioeconomic inequities, placing children, the elderly, the sick, the low income, and communities of color at particular risk. Nominations are due by Friday, **June 10**. For more, click on [Champions of Change for Climate Equity](#).

### Mayors Survey on Infrastructure

We thought you might be interested in some of the results of *Politico Magazine's* fifth national Mayors Survey of 55 mayors, showing that 33% of them are worried that a cost-saving decision they made on infrastructure could lead to a threat in public safety or health for their residents. Nearly half of the respondents said that their city's infrastructure had either "deteriorated" or "slightly deteriorated" over the past 10 years. For more, click on [Mayors Survey on Infrastructure](#).

### ♪♪ Music of the Month ♪♪

Our telephone's hold music for the month of May is from the musical *Fiddler on the Roof*. Call us and enjoy!

Please contact *Len Simon, Brandon Key, Jen Covino, or Stephanie McIntosh* with any questions.



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*The biggest movement of the year so far for appropriations bills highlights the week. Here's the wrap-up on that action and more for your review.*

### FY17 Senate Transportation-HUD Appropriations



On Thursday, the Senate Appropriations Committee approved, by a vote of 30-0, its FY17 spending bill (S. 2844) on Transportation and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (THUD). The \$56.5 billion bill represents an overall decrease of \$827 million from FY16 levels.

The **Department of Transportation** would receive \$16.9 billion in FY17, which is a \$1.7 billion decrease from FY16. **TIGER Grants** would receive \$525 million in FY17, a \$25 million increase from FY16. The bill appropriates \$44 billion to be spent from the **Highway Trust Fund** on the Federal-aid Highways Program, consistent with the *FAST Act*. The **Federal Transit Administration** would receive \$12.3 billion in FY17, an increase of \$575 million from FY16. This includes \$9.3 billion for **Transit Formula Grants**, an increase of \$753 million from *MAP-21* levels. The **Capital Investment Grant Program**, which includes New Starts, would receive \$2.3 billion in FY17, a \$161 million increase from FY16. Within the Capital Investment Grant program, the bill allocates \$333 million for **Core Capacity Projects**, \$241 million for **Small Starts**, \$20 million for the **Expedited Delivery Pilot Program**, and \$23 million for oversight activities.

The **Federal Railroad Administration** would receive \$1.7 billion in FY17, an increase of \$76 million from FY16. Of this amount, **Amtrak** would receive \$1.42 billion in FY17, an increase of \$30 million from FY16, but about \$82 million less than the amount authorized by the *FAST Act*. The bill provides \$50 million for **rail safety activities**, \$20 million for the Federal-State Partnership for **State of Good Repair Grants**, and \$15 million for **Restoration and Enhancement Grants**.

The **Federal Aviation Administration** would receive \$16.4 billion in FY17, an increase of \$131.6 million from FY16. The bill also would provide \$1 billion for **NextGen** and fully funds the **Contract Towers Program**.

The **Department of Housing and Urban Development** would receive a total of \$39.2 billion in FY17, an increase of \$891 million from FY16. The Committee level-funds the **CDBG** program with \$3 billion for FY17. The **HOME Investment Partnerships** program would be level-funded with \$950 million for FY17. The **Homeless Assistance Grants** program would receive \$2.33 billion in FY17, an increase of \$80 million from FY16. **HUD-VASH** vouchers would receive \$50 million in FY17, a decrease of \$10 million from FY16.

The **Choice Neighborhoods Initiative** would receive \$80 million in FY16, a decrease of \$45 million from FY16. **Tenant-Based Rental Assistance** would receive \$20.4 billion in FY17, an increase of \$803 million from FY16. **Project-Based Rental Assistance** would receive \$10.9 billion in FY17, an increase of \$281 million from FY16. The **Public Housing Capital Fund** would receive \$1.925 billion in FY17, an increase of \$25 million from FY16. The **Public Housing Operating Fund** would receive \$4.675 billion in FY17, an increase of \$175 million from FY16. The **Rental Assistance Demonstration** would receive a first-time appropriation of \$4 million in FY17, and the Committee recommends increasing the current unit cap on Public Housing Conversions to 250,000. For more, click on [FY17 Senate THUD Summary](#), [FY17 Senate THUD Full Committee Markup](#), or [FY17 Senate THUD Committee Report](#).

In related news, during his opening statement at the Full Committee markup, Senate Appropriations Chairman **Thad Cochran** said that Senators **Roy Blunt** and **Lindsey Graham** are working with Senators **Patty Murray** and **Patrick Leahy** to develop a bipartisan supplemental appropriations package to help combat the **Zika Virus**. The Chairman said, "It is my expectation that this proposal will be offered to an appropriations measure on the Senate floor in the near future." For more, click on [Senate Chairman Cochran's Thursday Statement](#) or [House Chairman Rogers' Wednesday Statement](#).

### FY17 Senate Commerce-Justice-Science Appropriations

On Thursday, the Senate Appropriations Committee approved, by a vote of 30-0, its FY17 spending bill (S. 2837) on Commerce, Justice, and Science (CJS). The \$56.3 billion bill represents an overall increase of \$563 million from FY16 levels. The bill would provide \$1.18 billion for **State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance**, a decrease of \$225 million from FY16. The **COPS Office** would receive a total appropriation of \$215 million in FY17, an increase of \$3 million from FY16. The **COPS Hiring Program** would receive level-funding in FY17 of \$187 million. Of the \$187 million, \$30 million would be set-aside as a transfer to the **Tribal Resources Grant Program**, \$10 million would be set-aside for **Community Policing Development/Training and Technical Assistance**, and \$10

million would be set-aside for the **Collaborative Reform Model**.

The **State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP)** would receive \$100 million in FY17, a decrease of \$110 million from FY16. The **Community Trust Initiative** would receive \$70 million in FY17, which includes \$22.5 million for the **Body-Worn Camera Partnership Program** and \$17.5 million for the **Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program**. The **Byrne-JAG Program**, excluding set-asides, would receive \$348.1 million in FY17, an increase of \$1 million from FY16. The **Bulletproof Vests Partnership** program would receive level-funding of \$22.5 million in FY17, with \$1.5 million of that amount set-aside for the NIST Office of Law Enforcement Standards.

The **Economic Development Administration** would receive an overall FY17 appropriation of \$254 million, a decrease of \$7 million from FY16. This includes \$20 million in FY17 for the **Regional Innovation Program**. For more, click on [FY17 Senate CJS Summary](#), [FY17 Senate CJS Full Committee Markup](#), or [FY17 Senate CJS Committee Report](#).

### FY17 Energy-Water Appropriations

On Tuesday, the full House Appropriations Committee approved, by voice vote, its FY17 Energy-Water spending bill. The House bill bans EPA from implementing its **Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS)** rule. On Thursday, the Senate voted on several amendments to its FY17 Energy-Water bill (H.R. 2028). By a vote of 56-42, the Senate did not adopt an amendment that would ban EPA from implementing its WOTUS rule. Previously, the White House had issued a veto threat against the Senate's entire bill, largely due to this possible WOTUS rider. Senator **Lamar Alexander** said the bill could be passed by the Senate as early as Monday or Tuesday. For more, click on [FY17 House Energy-Water](#), [FY17 Senate Energy-Water](#), or [White House Veto Threat](#).

### Secretary Jewell on Conservation

On Tuesday, in remarks at the National Geographic Society, Interior Secretary **Sally Jewell** laid out a vision for actions the nation can take to build upon America's rich conservation legacy and pass on healthy public lands and waters to the next generation. On Monday, the Secretary announced that nearly \$95 million will be distributed from the **Land and Water Conservation Fund** throughout the country. For more, click on [FY16 LWCF Announcement](#) or [Vision for Conservation](#).

### Moving to Work Agreements

HUD announced that the existing agreements under its *Moving to Work (MTW) Demonstration* program for 39 public housing authorities will now continue in effect until 2028. For more, including the list of participating agencies, click on [MTW to 2028](#).

### Highway Performance Measures

On Monday, the Federal Highway Administration announced a proposed rulemaking outlining new performance measures to assess travel reliability, congestion, and emissions at a national level. The proposed regulation calls for an increased level of transparency and accountability in establishing and achieving

targets for performance impacting commuters and truck drivers. Webinars on the rule are currently planned for **April 25**, **April 26**, and **May 3**. For more, click on [Press Release](#) or [National Performance Measures Rule Website](#).

### Grants This Month



Since April 8, we sent many of you grant notices on [HUD Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grants](#), [DOL Pathways to Justice Careers for Youth Grants](#), the [ED Innovative Approaches to Literacy Program](#), [NEH Digital Projects for the Public Grant Program](#), [OJJDP FY16 Comprehensive Anti-Gang Strategies and Programs](#), and the [HUD FY16 Jobs Plus Initiative](#). Please contact *Jen Covino* with any questions about grants.

### Regional Innovation Strategies

EDA plans to release details and begin accepting applications for the 2016 round of the *Regional Innovation Strategies Program* on Monday, **April 25**. For more, click on [EDA RIS](#).

### Cable Box Competition

The White House is calling on the FCC to open up set-top cable boxes to competition. This will allow for companies to create new, innovative, higher-quality, lower-cost products. For more, click on [Spurring Competition for Set-Top Cable Boxes](#).

### Reducing Test-Taking

The Department of Education released a series of case studies with examples of work states and districts are doing to ensure fewer, better, and fairer tests for students. The Department also outlined proposed priorities for applicants of the *Enhanced Assessment Grant* program. For more, click on [Test-Taking](#).

### National Strategy on Child Exploitation

On Tuesday, Attorney General **Loretta Lynch** announced that the Department of Justice released the 2016 National Strategy for Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction. The strategy provides a comprehensive threat assessment of the nature and scope of the current dangers facing our nation's children. For more, click on [Press Release](#) or [AG Lynch's Remarks](#).

### Greenhouse Gas Inventory

EPA released its 21<sup>st</sup> annual Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks, showing a nine percent drop in emissions since 2005. For more, click on [Greenhouse Gases](#).

### Happy Passover



*To our friends and colleagues celebrating Passover this week, we wish you a very Happy Passover 5776!*

*Please contact Len Simon, Brandon Key, Jen Covino, or Stephanie McIntosh with any questions.*

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*A dynamic and early start to the appropriations process highlights the week, though the swift beginning does not come with any great confidence on what the conclusion will be. Lots more to talk about in the review below of a very busy week in Washington.*

### Appropriations Mark-ups Begin



The appropriations process for federal fiscal year 2017 (FY17) began in earnest this week with subcommittees of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees marking-up their respective spending bills to fund specific sections of the federal government. Even though neither chamber has adopted its own overall FY17 budget framework, the Committees are moving forward under the top-line discretionary spending caps set by the *Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015* (PL 114-74). The law allows for a total of \$551.068 billion to be spent on defense programs and a total of \$518.531 billion to be spent on domestic programs in FY17. For more, click on [Section-by-Section Summary of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015](#).

This week, the House and Senate Appropriations Committees considered their FY17 **Energy-Water** bills. The House bill would spend a total of \$37.4 billion, an increase of \$259 million from the FY16 level. **Renewable energy** programs would receive \$1.8 billion in FY17 in the House bill, a decrease of \$248 million from FY16 levels. The House bill funds the **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers** with \$6.1 billion, an increase of \$100 million from FY16 levels. It also includes legislative text from Rep. **David Valadao's** *Western Water and American Food Security Act of 2015* (H.R. 2898), which seeks to provide relief for California communities that have suffered under more than five years of drought. The bill prohibits EPA from changing federal jurisdiction under the **Clean Water Act**, which would block the Administration's **Waters of the United States** rule. For more, click on [FY17 House Energy-Water](#).

The Senate's FY17 **Energy-Water** bill would spend a total of \$37.5 billion, an increase of \$261 million from the FY16 level. **Renewable energy** programs would be level-funded in the Senate bill at \$2.073 billion in FY17. The Senate bill funds the **U.S. Army**

**Corps of Engineers** with \$6 billion, an increase of \$11 million from FY16 levels. It prohibits any changes to the definition of "fill material" under the **Clean Water Act**. For more, click on [FY17 Senate Energy-Water](#).

The House FY17 **Agriculture** subcommittee bill would receive a total of \$21.3 billion in discretionary funding, a decrease of \$451 million from the FY16 level. The **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program** (SNAP) would receive \$79.7 billion in mandatory spending, a decrease of \$1.2 billion from FY16, which the Committee says is due to declining enrollment. The **Women, Infants, and Children** (WIC) Program would receive level discretionary funding of \$6.35 billion in FY17. For more, click on [FY17 House Agriculture](#).

Both the House and Senate have announced their FY17 **Military Construction-VA** bills. The House bill provides a total of \$81.6 billion for FY17, an increase of \$1.8 billion from FY16, while the Senate bill provides a total of \$83 billion for FY17, an increase of \$3.1 billion from FY16. For more, click on [FY17 House MilCon-VA](#) or [FY17 Senate MilCon-VA](#).

### Combatting Religious Discrimination

From **April 12** through **May 6**, U.S. Attorneys throughout the country will join forces with local law enforcement and community leaders for a series of 14 events to address backlash against Muslim, Arab, Sikh, and South Asian Americans following the tragic terrorist attacks in Brussels, Paris, and San Bernardino, California. The aim is to reaffirm the Department of Justice's commitment to protecting civil rights and preventing and prosecuting hate crimes. For more, click on [Combatting Religious Discrimination](#).

### 2016 EDA National Conference



*Fresno Mayor Ashley Swarengin and Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan speak about economic and community development.*

We were privileged to attend the 2016 National Conference of the Economic Development Administration (EDA), courtesy of Fresno Mayor **Ashley Swarengin**. The event focused on the future of economic development, including high-level conversations about how we can create the conditions for economic growth for decades to come. The Conference brought together hundreds of regional and local economic development professionals, non-profit and private partners, and federal, state, tribal, and local officials. For more, click on [EDA National Conference](#).

## Lessons Learned from the Flint Water Crisis

On Wednesday, the House Energy and Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy held a hearing titled, "*Flint Water Crisis: Impacts and Lessons Learned.*" Members discussed the various short- and long-term public health implications related to the ongoing drinking water crisis in Flint, Michigan. They also examined what has been done to combat the effects of lead exposure, and what steps can be taken to further assist in more testing, treatment, outreach, and education on lead exposure. For more, click on [Press Release](#) or [Hearing Website](#).

In related news, we learned this week that Senators **Debbie Stabenow** and **Gary Peters** have dropped their demand that the Senate's energy bill include an amendment to improve U.S. water infrastructure, with a portion of the funding going to fix water infrastructure in Flint, Michigan. Floor votes on the energy bill may come as soon as next week. For more, click on [Senator McConnell Statement](#).

## Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack's Message to Mayors

Agriculture Secretary **Tom Vilsack**, former Mayor of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, wrote a letter to Mayors highlighting National Nutrition Month and to share a two-part series on Growing a Healthier Future for our country. For more, click on [Agriculture Secretary's Message to Mayors](#).

## Implementing the Every Student Succeeds Act

On Tuesday, the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee held its second of six planned oversight hearings on the *Every Student Succeeds Act*, featuring Education Secretary **John King** as the witness. For more, click on [Hearing Website with Video](#), [Secretary King's Statement](#), or [Chairman Alexander's Statement](#).

## 21<sup>st</sup> Century Task Force Implementation



Congratulations to the City of **Tacoma** for having its *Project PEACE* initiative featured on the COPS Office's map of communities across the country that are implementing the recommendations of the President's Task Force on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Policing. The purpose of *Project PEACE* is to proactively address historical and present-day feelings in the community of distrust, anger, and grief to build trust and improve community and police relations. For more, click on [Task Force Recommendations Implementation Map](#) or [Project PEACE](#).

## Ten Strategies to End Chronic Homelessness

The U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness has compiled ten strategies that communities can use to drive progress toward ending chronic homelessness. These strategies can help guide your efforts to identify those experiencing chronic homelessness on the streets and in shelters, hospitals, jails, and other settings and connect them with the supporting housing, benefits, and health care they need to end their homelessness once and for all. For more, click on [Ten Strategies to End Chronic Homelessness](#).

## Assessing FEMA's Performance and Preparedness

On Tuesday, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee's Subcommittee on Federal Oversight and Emergency Management held a hearing titled, "*FEMA: Assessing Progress, Performance, and Preparedness.*" The purpose of this hearing was to examine FEMA's overall efforts to assist states in preparing for terrorism and natural disasters, to evaluate its progress in improving the management and coordination of grants, training and exercises, and to better understand the metrics used by the agency to measure overall progress toward the National Preparedness Goal. For more, click on [Assessing FEMA's Performance and Preparedness](#).

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## Advanced Manufacturing Technologies



On Tuesday, the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee held a hearing to examine the status of innovative technologies in advanced manufacturing. Committee Chairman **Lisa Murkowski** noted the importance of encouraging innovation and highlighted some of the work taking place at the Department of Energy, including research and development in critical minerals and additive manufacturing that has already advanced to the point where fully-functional Shelby Cobras can be created via a 3D printer. For more, click on [Advanced Manufacturing](#).

## FAST Act Environmental Guidance

FHWA, FTA, and FRA have issued joint guidance on the applicability of certain *FAST Act* environmental provisions. The agencies are developing additional guidance that will be announced as it is developed. For more, click on [FAST Act Environmental Guidance](#).

## Fair Chance Business Pledge

The White House hosted an event with Attorney General **Loretta Lynch** and Senior Advisor **Valerie Jarrett** along with representatives from 19 companies as founding pledge takers of the *Fair Chance Business Pledge*. The pledge represents a call-to-action for all members of the private sector to improve their communities by eliminating barriers for those with a criminal record and creating a pathway for a second chance. Around 70 million Americans have some sort of criminal record – almost one in three Americans of working age. For more, click on [Fact Sheet: White House Launches the Fair Chance Business Pledge](#) or [Fair Chance Business Pledge Website](#).

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