### Priority 1

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<th>Gallagher (R)</th>
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Summary: Under the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, current law requires that an applicant seeking a change of organization or reorganization submit a plan for providing services within the affected territory that includes, among other requirements, an enumeration and description of the services to be extended to the affected territory and an indication of when those services can feasibly be extended. This bill would specify that the plan is required to also include specific information regarding services currently provided to the affected territory, as applicable, and make related changes.

**Position** | **Subject**
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**Sponsor** | Announcement Proceedings

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill makes a fix to Gov. Code Sec. 56653 based on the court finding in the case of The City of Patterson v. Turlock Irrigation District. The court found that because the services were already being provided via an out of area service agreement, the application for annexation was deemed incomplete because it was not a new service to be provided. By making the fix in statute, any pending/future annexation for a territory that is already receiving services via an out of area service agreement will not be in jeopardy.

As amended, corrections were made to: 56653(b)(3) reading "proposed" rather than "provided", and in Government Code Section 56857 an exemption added pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 9608 for territory already receiving electrical service under a service area agreement approved by the Public Utilities Commission pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 9608.

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Summary: Current law, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, provides the sole and exclusive authority and procedure for the initiation, conduct, and completion of changes of organization and reorganization for cities and districts and makes related findings and declarations. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to those findings and declarations.

**Position** | **Subject**
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**Sponsor** | CKH General Procedures

**CALAFCO Comments:** Currently in spot bill form, this bill is co-sponsored by CALAFCO and CSDA. The intent is to amend code Sec. 56332.5 to streamline the process of seating special districts on LAFCo by mirroring current statute 56332 (the process for electing special district representatives into the special district seats). Keeping the process voluntary, it allows for voting by mail whether or not the district wants to have special districts represented on LAFCo. Further, it will allow for the consolidation of that question with the independent special district selection committee appointment to a countywide redevelopment agency oversight board pursuant to Health and Safety Code 34179 (j)(3).
Summary: The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, among other things, authorizes a local agency formation commission to establish a schedule of fees and a schedule of service charges for proceedings taken pursuant to the act, as specified. This bill would revise that provision to authorize a local agency formation commission to establish a schedule of fees and a schedule of service charges pursuant to the act.

**Position**

**Subject**

**CALAFCO Comments:** This is the annual Omnibus bill. The bill currently has one item and will be amended soon to include five (5) additional items.

Summary: Beginning with the 2004–05 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, existing law requires that each city, county, and city and county receive additional property tax revenues in the form of a vehicle license fee adjustment amount, as defined, from a Vehicle License Fee Property Tax Compensation Fund that exists in each county treasury. Current law requires that these additional allocations be funded from ad valorem property tax revenues otherwise required to be allocated to educational entities. This bill would modify these reduction and transfer provisions for a city incorporating after January 1, 2004, and on or before January 1, 2012, for the 2017–18 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**

**Subject**

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill is identical to SB 817 (Roth, 2016), SB 25 (Roth, 2015) and SB 69 (Roth, 2014) with the exception of the chaptering out language included in the 2016 version (which addressed the companion bill AB 2277 (Melendez, 2016)). The bill calls for reinstatement of the VLF through ERAF for cities that incorporated between January 1, 2004 and January 1, 2012. There are no provisions for back payments for lost revenue, but the bill does reinstate future payments beginning in the 2017/18 year for cities that incorporated between 1-1-2004 and 1-1-2012.
SB 448  (Wieckowski D)  Local government: organization: districts.
Current Text: Introduced: 2/15/2017  Text
Introduced: 2/15/2017
Status: 2/23/2017-Referred to Com. on GOV. & F.
Location: 2/23/2017-S. GOV. & F.

Summary: The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 provides the exclusive authority and procedure for the initiation, conduct, and completion of changes of organization and reorganization for cities and districts, as specified, and defines various terms for these purposes. This bill would define the term “inactive district” for purposes of that act.

Position                      Subject
None at this time              CKH General Procedures

CALAFCO Comments:  This is a spot bill. According to the author's office, they have been working with the State Controller's office on the clean-up of inactive districts (both dependent and independent). CALAFCO was not contacted by the author's office, but has talked with them since the bill's introduction. CALAFCO understands the author has submitted amendments to Leg Counsel although we have not yet seen those amendments. We are working with the author's office to properly define "inactive district" and to help streamline the process of the dissolution of districts identified as inactive where it makes sense to take that action.

CALAFCO will continue to work with the author's office and other stakeholders and watch for amendments.

Priority 3

AB 267  (Waldron R)  Community services districts.
Current Text: Introduced: 2/1/2017  Text
Introduced: 2/1/2017
Status: 2/2/2017-From printer. May be heard in committee March 4.
Location: 2/1/2017-A. PRINT

Summary: Current law provides for the organization and powers of community services districts, including the continuation of any community services district, improvement district of a community services district, or zone of a community services district, that was in existence on January 1, 2006. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

Position                      Subject
Watch                        Watch

CALAFCO Comments:  According to the author's office this is a spot bill.

AB 577  (Caballero D)  Disadvantaged communities.
Current Text: Amended: 3/9/2017  Text
Introduced: 2/14/2017
Last Amend: 3/9/2017
Status: 3/13/2017-Referred to Com. on E.S. & T.M.
Location: 2/27/2017-A. E.S. & T.M.

Summary: Current law defines a disadvantaged community as a community with an annual median household income that is less than 80% of the statewide annual median household income for various purposes, that include, but are not limited to, the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014, eligibility for certain entities to apply for funds from the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, and authorization for a community revitalization and investment authority to carry out a community revitalization plan. This bill would expand the
definition of a disadvantaged community to include a community with an annual per capita income that is less than 80% of the statewide annual per capita income.

CALAFCO Comments: Sponsored by the Environmental Justice Coalition for Water, this bill is intended to expand the definition of disadvantaged communities to include multi-family households. According to the author's office this will be a two-year bill. CALAFCO will retain a Watch position until any amendments are in print.

AB 645  (Quirk D) Local government: organization: dissolution.
Current Text: Introduced: 2/14/2017  Text
Introduced: 2/14/2017
Status: 3/2/2017-Referred to Com. on L. GOV.
Location: 3/2/2017-A. L. GOV.

Summary: Under current law, if a change of organization consists of a dissolution, the commission is required to order the dissolution subject to confirmation of voters if, among other things, the proposal was not initiated by the commission and if a subject agency has not objected to the proposal, the commission has found that, for an inhabited territory protests have been signed by either 25% of the number of landowners within the affected territory who own at least 25% of the assessed value of land within the territory or 25% of the voters entitled to vote as a result of residing or owning land within the affected territory. This bill would decrease that threshold to 10% of the number of landowners within the affected territory who own at least 25% of the assessed value of land within the territory or 10% of the voters entitled to vote as a result of residing or owning land within the affected territory.

AB 892  (Waldron R) Municipal water districts: water service: Indian tribes.
Current Text: Amended: 3/23/2017  Text
Introduced: 2/16/2017
Last Amend: 3/23/2017
Status: 3/27/2017-Referred to Com. on L. GOV.
Location: 3/23/2017-A. L. GOV.

Summary: Current law, upon the request of certain Indian tribes and the satisfaction of certain conditions, requires a district to provide service of water at substantially the same terms applicable to the customers of the district to the Indian tribe’s lands that are not within a district, as prescribed. This bill would authorize, rather than require, a district to provide this service of water. The bill would apply this authorization to all Indian tribes whose lands are owned by the tribe.

AB 1728  (Committee on Local Government) Health care districts: board of directors.
Current Text: Introduced: 3/22/2017  Text
Introduced: 3/22/2017
Status: 3/23/2017-From printer. May be heard in committee April 22.
Location: 3/23/2017-A. PRINT

Summary: Each health care district has a board of directors with specific duties and powers respecting the creation, administration, and maintenance of the district, including purchasing, receiving, having, taking, holding, leasing, using, and enjoying property. This bill would require the board of directors to adopt an annual budget in a public meeting, on or before September 1 of each year, that conforms to generally accepted accounting and budgeting procedures for special
districts, establish and maintain an Internet Web site that lists contact information for the district, and adopt annual
policies for providing assistance or grant funding, if the district provides assistance or grants.

**Position**

**Subject**

**CALAFCO Comments:** As introduced, this bill requires healthcare districts to adopt annual budgets, establish and maintain a website (and prescribes the required site content), and adopt policies for grant funding.

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**SB 80**

(Wieckowski D) California Environmental Quality Act: notices.

Current Text: Amended: 2/14/2017  
Text

Introduced: 1/11/2017

Last Amend: 2/14/2017

Status: 3/29/2017-Action From E.Q.: Do pass.To APPR.

Location: 3/29/2017-S. APPR.

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act requires the lead agency to mail certain notices to persons who have filed a written request for notices. The act provides that if the agency’s offer to provide the notices by email, upon filing a written request for notices, a person may request that the notices be provided to him or her by email. This bill would require the lead agency to post those notices on the agency’s Internet Web site. The bill would require the agency to offer to provide those notices by email. Because this bill would increase the level of service provided by a local agency, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

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**SB 206**

(Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/1/2017  
Text

Introduced: 2/1/2017


Location: 3/23/2017-A. DESK

Summary: Would enact the First Validating Act of 2017, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities, and specified districts, agencies, and entities. This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

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**SB 207**

(Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/1/2017  
Text

Introduced: 2/1/2017


Location: 3/23/2017-A. DESK

Summary: Would enact the Second Validating Act of 2017, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities, and specified districts, agencies, and entities. This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

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**CALAFCO Comments:** One of three annual acts which validate the boundaries of all local agencies.
### SB 208

(Committee on Governance and Finance)  
Validations.  
Current Text: Introduced: 2/1/2017  
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### SB 365

(Dodd D)  
Regional park and open-space districts: County of Solano.  
Current Text: Introduced: 2/14/2017  
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Introduced: 2/14/2017  
Status: 3/30/2017-Withdrawn from committee. Ordered to second reading.  
Location: 3/30/2017-S. SECOND READING  

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### SB 435

(Dodd D)  
Williamson Act: payments to local governments.  
Current Text: Introduced: 2/15/2017  
Text  
Introduced: 2/15/2017  
Status: 3/21/2017-Set for hearing April 19.  
Location: 2/23/2017-S. GOV. & F.  

| Position | Subject | CALAFCO Comments: According to the author's office, this bill (originally sponsored by the CA Farm Bureau but no longer) is intended to ensure ongoing subvention funding for counties and cities to enter into contracts with owners of agricultural land that commit to protecting and preserving the property as resource land and farmland. The current language is placeholder language and at present the author is working with the Dept. of Conservation and stakeholder groups to determine a reasonable path forward for the reinstatement of the Williamson Act funding.  
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**SB 634**

(Wilk R) Santa Clarita Valley Water District.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/17/2017  [Text](#)

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Status: 3/28/2017-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on GOV. & F. (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (March 28). Re-referred to Com. on GOV. & F.

Location: 3/28/2017-S. GOV. & F.

Summary: Current law, the Castaic Lake Water Agency Law, created the Castaic Lake Water Agency and authorizes the agency to acquire water and water rights, including water from the State Water Project, and to provide, sell, and deliver water at wholesale for municipal, industrial, domestic, and other purposes. This bill would repeal the Castaic Lake Water Agency Law. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

**Position**

Oppose Unless Amended

**Subject**

Special District Consolidations

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill consolidates two independent water districts in Los Angeles and does not include the LAFCo process. CALAFCO shared our concerns with the author's office and continues to be in conversations. CALAFCO's position requests amendments to deal with variables via legislation and keep the LAFCo process intact.

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**SB 693**

(Mendoza D) Lower San Gabriel River Recreation and Park District.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/17/2017  [Text](#)

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Status: 3/21/2017-Set for hearing April 19.

Location: 3/9/2017-S. GOV. & F.

Calendar: 4/19/2017 9:30 a.m. - Room 112  SENATE GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE, MCGUIRE, Chair

Summary: Would specifically authorize the establishment of the Lower San Gabriel River Recreation and Park District, by petition or resolution submitted to the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission before January 1, 2020, subject to specified existing laws governing recreation and park districts, including their formation, except as provided. The bill would authorize specified city councils and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to appoint the initial board of directors of the district.

**Position**

Watch

**Subject**

LAFCo Administration

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill forms the Lower San Gabriel River Recreation and Park District while leaving the LAFCo process intact. CALAFCO will keep watching to ensure it stays that way.