

Legislation Committee Report

Thursday, January 8, 2026

Bill Number	Current Text	Status	Brief Summary	MTC Position	ABAG Position
Brown Act					
SB 239 Arreguín	Amended 04/07/2025	Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(8). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 6/3/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026) <i>Note: Bill contexts were folded into SB 707, which the governor signed.</i>	Open meetings: teleconferencing: subsidiary body. The Ralph M. Brown Act requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body, as defined, of a local agency be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act generally requires for teleconferencing that the legislative body of a local agency that elects to use teleconferencing post agendas at all teleconference locations, identify each teleconference location in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and have each teleconference location be accessible to the public. Current law also requires that, during the teleconference, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, except as specified. Current law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes specified neighborhood city councils to use alternate teleconferencing provisions related to notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed, if, among other requirements, the city council has adopted an authorizing resolution and 2/3 of the neighborhood city council votes to use alternate teleconference provisions, as specified. This bill would authorize a subsidiary body, as defined, to use alternative teleconferencing provisions and would impose requirements for notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed. The bill would require the subsidiary body to post the agenda at each physical meeting location designated by the subsidiary body, as specified. The bill would require the members of the subsidiary body to visibly appear on camera during the open portion of a meeting that is publicly accessible via the internet or other online platform, as specified	Sponsor	Sponsor

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Housing: other					
AB 804 Wicks	Introduced 02/18/2025	Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 4/30/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)	Medi-Cal: housing support services. Current law establishes the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services and under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. Current law, subject to implementation of the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) initiative, authorizes a Medi-Cal managed care plan to elect to cover community supports approved by the department as cost effective and medically appropriate in a comprehensive risk contract that are in lieu of applicable Medi-Cal state plan services. Under current law, community supports that the department is authorized to approve include, among other things, housing transition navigation services, housing deposits, and housing tenancy sustaining services. Current law, subject to an appropriation, requires the department to complete an independent analysis to determine whether network adequacy exists to obtain federal approval for a covered Medi-Cal benefit that provides housing support services. Current law requires the department to report the outcomes of the analysis to the Legislature by January 1, 2024. This bill would delete the requirement for the department to complete that analysis, and instead would make housing support services for specified populations a covered Medi-Cal benefit when the Legislature has made an appropriation for purposes of the housing support services. The bill would require the department to seek federal approval for the housing support services benefit, as specified.	Support	Support

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Housing: planning					
<u>SB 715</u> <u>Allen</u>	Amended 05/01/2025	Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was H. & C.D. on 6/5/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)	Regional housing need: methodology: distribution. The Planning and Zoning Law, for the 4th and subsequent revisions of the housing element, requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to determine the existing and projected need for housing for each region, as provided, and requires the appropriate council of governments or for cities and counties without a council of governments, the department, to adopt a final regional housing need plan allocating a share of the regional housing need to each city, county, or city and county. Current law requires the council of governments, or delegate subregion as applicable, to develop a proposed methodology for distributing the existing and projected regional housing need to cities, counties, and cities and counties within the region or subregion, as applicable, that furthers specified objectives. Current law, to the extent that sufficient data is available as provided, requires each council of governments, or delegate subregion as applicable, to consider including specified factors to develop the methodology that allocates regional housing needs, including the loss of units during a state of emergency that was declared by the Governor that have yet to be rebuilt or replaced at the time of the analysis. This bill would remove the requirement that the loss of units factor be considered and instead require those lost units to be distributed proportionally according to the region's proposed methodology, as provided, and would prohibit the lost units from solely being distributed to the jurisdictions in which they were lost.	Providing technical assistance	Providing technical assistance

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Housing: production and preservation					
<u>AB 736</u> <u>Wicks</u>	Amended 04/10/2025	In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.	The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026. Would enact the Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026, which, if adopted, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$10,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law. Proceeds from the sale of these bonds would be used to finance programs to fund affordable rental housing and home ownership programs, including, among others, the Multifamily Housing Program, the CalHome Program, and the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program.	Support and Seek Amendments	Support and Seek Amendments
<u>SB 417</u> <u>Cabaldon</u>	Introduced 02/18/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 8. Noes 1.) (January 6). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026. Would enact the Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026, which, if adopted, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$10,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law. Proceeds from the sale of these bonds would be used to finance programs to fund affordable rental housing and home ownership programs, including, among others, the Multifamily Housing Program, the CalHome Program, and the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program.	Support and Seek Amendments	Support and Seek Amendments
<u>SB 677</u> <u>Wiener</u>	Amended 01/05/2026	Set for hearing January 14 in L. GOV. pending receipt. From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on L. GOV. (Ayes 10. Noes 1.) (January 6). Calendar: 01/08/26 #3 S-SENATE BILLS - SECOND READING FILE	Housing development: transit-oriented development. Current law requires that a housing development project, as defined, within a specified distance of a transit-oriented development (TOD) stop, as defined, be an allowed use as a transit-oriented housing development on any site zoned for residential, mixed, or commercial development, if the development complies with certain applicable requirements, as provided. Current law establishes requirements concerning height limits, density, and residential floor area ratio in accordance with a development's proximity to specified tiers of TOD stops, as provided; prohibits a proposed development under these provisions from being located on sites where the development would require demolition of housing, or	Providing technical assistance	

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		<i>01/14/26 S-LOCAL GOVERNMENT 9:30 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 112 DURAZO, MARÍA ELENA, Chair</i>	that was previously used for housing, that is subject to rent or price controls, as provided; and requires a development to meet specified labor standards that require that a specified affidavit be signed under penalty of perjury, under specified circumstances. Current law specifies that a development proposed pursuant to these provisions is eligible for streamlined, ministerial approval, as provided. Current law defines, among other terms, the term “transit-oriented development stop” for purposes of these provisions to mean a major transit stop, as defined by specified law, and to additionally include stops on a route for which a preferred alternative has been selected or are identified in a regional transportation improvement program, that is served by specified types of transit services, exclusive of certain new transit routes or extensions not identified in the applicable regional transportation plan on or before January 1, 2026, as specified. Current law also defines the term “Tier 2 transit-oriented development stop” for these purposes to mean a TOD stop within an urban transit county, as defined, excluding a Tier 1 transit-oriented development stop, as defined, served by light rail transit, by high-frequency commuter rail, or by bus service meeting specified standards. This bill would revise the definition of “transit-oriented development stop” to instead mean a major transit stop, as defined, that is served by the above-described types of transit services, exclusive of any newly planned transit route or extension that was not identified in the applicable regional transportation plan on or before January 1, 2026, as specified. The bill would also revise the definitions of “transit-oriented development stop” and “Tier 2 transit-oriented development stop” to include stops served by high-frequency ferry service, as defined. (Based on 01/05/2026 text)		

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SB 750 Cortese	Amended 07/17/2025	August 29 hearing postponed by committee.	California Housing Finance and Credit Act. Existing law, the California Health Facility Construction Loan Insurance Law, establishes an insurance program for health facility construction, improvement, and expansion loans in order to stimulate the flow of private capital into health facilities construction, improvement, and expansion and in order to rationally meet the need for new, expanded, and modernized public and nonprofit health facilities necessary to protect the health of all the people of this state. (Based on 07/17/2025 text)	Support	Support
Transportation System Effectiveness					
AB 334 Petrie-Norris	Amended 07/17/2025	Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/13/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)	Operators of toll facilities: interoperability programs: vehicle information. Current law requires the Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District and all known entities planning to implement a toll facility, to develop and adopt functional specifications and standards for an automatic vehicle identification system in compliance with specified objectives, and generally requires any automatic vehicle identification system purchased or installed after January 1, 1991, to comply with those specifications and standards. Current law authorizes operators of toll facilities on federal-aid highways engaged in an interoperability program to provide, regarding a vehicle's use of the toll facility, only the license plate number, transponder identification number, date and time of the transaction, and identity of the agency operating the toll facility. This bill would instead authorize an operator of a toll facility on federal-aid highways engaged in an interstate interoperability program to provide to an out-of-state toll agency or interstate interoperability tolling hub only the information regarding a vehicle's use of the toll facility that is license plate data, transponder data, or transaction		

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<u>AB 1091</u> <u>Gallagher</u>	Amended 03/12/2025	Re-referred to Com. on TRANS. (Set for hearing on 01/12/2026) Calendar: 01/12/26 A-TRANSPORTATION 2:30 p.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100 WILSON, LORI, Chair	Vehicles: license plates: 8-letter license plates. Current law authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue or renew environmental license plates to provide revenue for the California Environmental License Plate Fund that indicate on the plates the combination of letters or numbers, or both, requested as a registration number by the applicant, to be displayed on the applicant’s vehicle in lieu of regular license plates. Current law imposes fees for the issuance or renewal of an environmental license plate, in addition to the regular registration and renewal fees. Current law also establishes procedures for the cancellation, transfer, or retention of the environmental license plates and requires the payment or reimbursement of additional fees in connection with those transactions, as specified. This bill would establish a similar program, to be known as the “8-letter license plate” program, for the support of the Natural and Agricultural Open Space and State Recreational Support Fund, which would be created by the bill. The bill would impose additional fees, including, but not limited to, fees for the issuance and renewal of an 8-letter license plate, as specified. (Based on 03/12/2025 text)	Providing technical assistance	None

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AB 1355 Ward	Amended 05/01/2025	Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/7/2025)(May be acted upon Jan 2026)	Location privacy. The California Consumer Privacy Act of 2018 (CCPA) grants a consumer various rights with respect to personal information, as defined, that is collected or sold by a business, as defined, including the right to direct a business that collects sensitive personal information about the consumer to limit its use, as prescribed. Current law defines “sensitive personal information” to mean, among other things, personal information that reveals a consumer’s precise geolocation. The California Privacy Rights Act of 2020 approved by the voters as Proposition 24 at the November 3, 2020, statewide general election, amended, added to, and reenacted the CCPA. This bill would prohibit a covered entity from collecting or processing the location information of an individual unless doing so is necessary to provide goods or services requested by that individual. The bill would impose various other restrictions on covered entities with regard to location information. The bill would define various terms for purposes of these provisions, including “location information” to mean information that pertains to or directly or indirectly reveals the present or past geographical location of an individual or device, as specified. (Based on 05/01/2025 text)	Providing technical assistance	None

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Joint MTC ABAG Legislation Committee

2026 Legislative Calendar*

January

- 1: Statutes take effect
- 5: **Legislature reconvenes**
- 10: Budget must be submitted by Governor
- 16: Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to fiscal committees **fiscal bills** introduced in their house in the odd-numbered year
- 19: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day observed
- 23: Last day for any committee to hear and report to the **Floor** bills introduced in that house in the odd-numbered year. Last day to **submit bill requests** to the Office of Legislative Counsel.
- 31: Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house in the odd-numbered year

February

- 16: Presidents' Day
- 20: Last day for bills to be **introduced**

March

- 26: **Spring Recess** begins upon adjournment
- 30: Cesar Chavez Day observed.

April

- 6: Legislature reconvenes from **Spring Recess**
- 24: Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to **fiscal committees** **fiscal bills** introduced in their house

May

- 1: Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to the Floor **non-fiscal** bills introduced in their house
- 8: Last day for **policy committees** to meet prior to June 1
- 15: Last day for **fiscal committees** to hear and report to the **Floor** bills introduced in their house. Last day for **fiscal committees** to meet prior to June 1.
- 25: Memorial Day
- 26-29: **Floor session only**. No committees may meet for any purpose except Rules Committee, bills referred pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.2, and Conference Committees.
- 29: Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house

June

- 1: Committee meetings may resume
- 15: **Budget Bill** must be passed by **midnight**
- 25: Last day for a legislative measure to qualify for the Nov. 3 General Election ballot

July

- 2: Last day for **policy committees** to meet and report bills.
Summer Recess begins upon adjournment, provided Budget Bill has been passed.
- 3: Independence Day observed

August

- 3: Legislature reconvenes from **Summer Recess**
- 29: Last day for **fiscal committees** to meet and report bills
- 17-31: **Floor session only**. No committees may meet for any purpose except Rules Committee, bills referred pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.2, and Conference Committees.
- 21: Last day to **amend** bills on the Floor
- 31: Last day for each house to pass bills. **Final Recess** begins upon adjournment

September

- 30: Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature before Sept. 1 and in the Governor's possession on or after Sept. 1

October

- 2: Bills enacted on or before this date take effect January 1, 2027.

November

- 3: General Election.
- 30: Adjournment *sine die* at midnight

December

- 7: 2027-28 Regular Session convenes for Organizational Session at 12 noon.

2027

- January 1: Statutes take effect

Source: compiled by the Office of the Assembly Chief Clerk (<https://clerk.assembly.ca.gov/>)
and the Office of the Secretary of The Senate (<https://www.senate.ca.gov/legdeadlines>).

*Dates are subject to change.

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California Local & Regional Government Association Bill Position Resources**

League of California Cities (“the League”)

<https://www.calcities.org/advocacy/bill-search>

California State Association of Counties (CSAC)

<https://www.counties.org/policy-issues/bill-report/>

California Association of Councils of Government (CALCOG)

<https://calcog.org/bill-tracker/>