



BAY AREA
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AGENDA: 4

State Legislative Budget Update

**Legislative Committee Meeting
October 4, 2023**

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Presentation for Information Only



No action required.

Presentation Outline



Overview of the statewide funding amounts for the 2023-24 State Budget vs. Previous Year.

State Budget vs. Previous Year



Program	FY 22/23 Approved Budget, Trailer Bills, and Addendum	FY 23/24 Approved Budget, Budget Bill Jr.
AB 617 – Implementation	\$50M	\$60M
AB 617 – Incentives	\$240M	\$234M
AB 617 – Community Grants	\$10M	\$6M
AB 617 – Additional Incentives (CERP)	\$10M	\$0
Clean Vehicle Rebate	\$0	\$0
Clean Truck & Bus	\$600M	\$0
Ag Diesel Engine Replacement	\$150M	\$75M
Clean Cars For All/School Bus/Equity	\$256M	\$80M
Resilience Centers	\$85M	\$0

State Budget vs. Previous Year



Program	FY 22/23 Approved Budget, Trailer Bills, and Addendum	FY 23/24 Approved Budget, Budget Bill Jr.
Prescribed Fire	\$2M	\$2M
Carl Moyer Program	\$130M	\$130M
Zero-Emission Lawn and Garden	\$0	\$0
Woodstove Replacement	\$5M	\$0
Port and Freight Goods Movement Infrastructure	\$600M	\$50M
ZEV Drayage/Transit Bus/ School Bus	\$280M	\$80M
Long-Duration Energy Storage	\$140M	\$171M
Residential Decarbonization	\$112M	\$310.5M
Commercial Harbor Craft	\$60M	\$0



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Air District-Sponsored Bills

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Assembly Bill (AB) 536 (Wilson) – Bay Area Air Quality Management Advisory Council: compensation. (SPONSOR)

AB 953 (Connolly and Hart) – Coastal resources: voluntary vessel speed reduction and sustainable shipping program. (CO-SPONSOR)

AB 1465 (Wicks) – Nonvehicular air pollution: civil penalties. (SPONSOR)

AB 1609 (Garcia) – Air pollution: motor vehicle registration: pollution reduction. (CO-SPONSOR)

AB 536 (Wilson)



Bay Area Air Quality Management Advisory Council: compensation.

- Introduced by Assemblymember Wilson on February 8, 2023.
- Moved through the Assembly and Senate fully on consent.
- Approved by the Governor on June 29, 2023. Chaptered by Secretary of State – Chapter 16, Statutes of 2023.
- Position: Sponsor

AB 953 (Connolly and Hart)



Coastal resources: voluntary vessel speed reduction and sustainable shipping program.

- Introduced by Assembly Members Connolly and Hart on February 14, 2023.
- After receiving zero “no” votes in the referred Committees and Floor of the Assembly and the Natural Resources Committee in the Senate, the bill was referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee where it was placed on the Suspense File and “held under submission” on September 1, 2023, ultimately killing the bill.
- Position: Co-Sponsor

AB 1465 (Wicks)



Nonvehicular air pollution: civil penalties.

- Introduced by Assemblymember Wicks on February 17, 2023.
- Passed the referred Committees and Floor in the Assembly and made its way to the Senate Floor after passing the Senate Judiciary and Senate Environmental Quality Committees.
- Ordered to the inactive file on September 6, 2023, and may be taken up at a later date.
- Position: Sponsor

AB 1609 (Garcia)



Air pollution: motor vehicle registration: pollution reduction.

- Introduced by Assemblymember Garcia on February 17, 2023.
- This bill was heard in Assembly Transportation Committee and passed out of the Committee favorably. The bill was then referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee where it was placed on the Suspense File and “held under submission” on May 18, 2023, ultimately killing the bill.
- Position: Co-Sponsor



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- Status update for bills the Air District has previously taken a Board-approved position on.

Position Bill Update



AB 50 (Wood) – Public Utilities: Timely Service: Customer Energization

This bill would require the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), on or before January 1, 2025, to determine the criteria for customers to receive timely electricity service when requesting new service connections or upgraded service. Proposes several policies to address delays in connecting customers to the electrical grid, including improved information sharing with local governments, reporting by electric investor-owned utilities (IOUs), and other measures.

Recent Status: Governor's Desk

Position: Support

Position Bill Update (cont.)



AB 698 (Essayli) – Energy: Gas Stoves

This bill would prohibit local governments from adopting decarbonization policies, including all-electric new home construction.

Recent Status: 2-Year Bill

Position: Oppose

Position Bill Update (cont.)



AB 817 (Pacheco) – Open Meetings: Teleconferencing: Subsidiary Body

This bill would allow remote teleconferencing without publicly noticing private locations to “subsidiary bodies,” i.e., ones that don’t have final decision-making authority, provided there was a remote public participation option. Would apply to all Air District Brown Act meetings except the Board meetings.

Recent Status: 2-Year Bill

Position: Support

Position Bill Update (cont.)



AB 849 (Garcia) – Community Emissions Reduction Programs

This bill would provide AB 617 Community Steering Committees with a state budget allocation separate from allocations to air districts. The bill would require other relevant state agencies to implement and enforce measures assigned to them as a part of the community emissions reduction program unless the relevant state agency finds that those measures are infeasible at a public meeting of its governing body.

Recent Status: Held under submission in Senate Appropriations.

Position: Support

Position Bill Update (cont.)



SB 410 (Becker) – Powering Up Californians Act

This bill would require the PUC to establish by September 30, 2024, reasonable average and maximum target energization time periods in order to connect new customers and upgrade the service of existing customers to the electrical grid. This bill also requires reporting by electrical corporations and authorizes specified annual cost-recovery, subject to a cap.

Recent Status: Governor's Desk

Position: Support

Position Bill Update (cont.)



SB 415 (Durazo) – Air quality: rules and regulations: socioeconomic impacts assessment.

This bill would expand the definitions and requirements of a socioeconomic impact assessment conducted by an air district or CARB.

Recent Status: Held under submission in Senate Appropriations on May 18, 2023.

Position: Oppose Unless Amended

Position Bill Update (cont.)



SB 527 (Min) – Neighborhood Decarbonization Program

This bill would establish a Neighborhood Decarbonization Program and allow a gas corporation to propose to cease providing service in some areas.

Recent Status: Held under submission in Senate Appropriations.

Position: Support

Position Bill Update (cont.)



SB 537 (Becker) – Open Meetings: Multijurisdictional, Cross-county Agencies: Teleconferences.

This bill would add one additional reason (immunocompromised family member) for the “just cause” that allows for remote participation under AB 2449 (Rubio, Chapter 285, Statutes of 2022). Among other provisions in the bill, members of the eligible legislative body shall not participate in a meeting remotely unless the location is more than 40 miles from the in-person location of the meeting and participates from a publicly accessible building.

Recent Status: Ordered to the inactive file on the Assembly Floor.

Position: Support

Position Bill Update (cont.)



SB 563 (Archuleta) – Air pollution control districts and air quality management districts: dependent and independent special districts: funding.

This bill would designate an air pollution control district or air quality management district as an independent special district for purposes of receiving state funds or funds disbursed by the state, including federal funds.

Recent Status: Held under submission in Senate Appropriations on May 18, 2023.

Position: Support

Position Bill Update (cont.)



SB 674 (Gonzalez) – Air pollution: refineries: community air monitoring systems: fence-line monitoring systems.

This bill would make changes to existing fenceline monitoring requirements at refineries, including equipment, reporting, and emergency response.

Recent Status: Ordered to the inactive file on the Assembly Floor.

Position: Support

Position Bill Update (cont.)



**SB 768 (Caballero) – California Environmental Quality Act:
vehicle miles traveled: statement of overriding consideration.**

This bill may relax requirements for some lead agencies to address potential vehicle miles traveled (VMT) increases in CEQA analyses.

Recent Status: 2-Year Bill

Position: Work with Author



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2024 Ballot Updates

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Informational Update for the following items:

- **California Initiative #21-0042A1** – *"The Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act"*
- **Assembly Constitutional Amendment (ACA) 13 (Ward)** – *Voting thresholds*

California Initiative #21-0042A1



"The Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act"

- Eligible for the November 2024 General Election ballot.
- This measure amends the State Constitution to change the rules for how the state and local governments can impose taxes, fees, and other charges. If passed, this could significantly affect Air District operations and the ability to recoup costs.

ACA 13 (Ward)



Voting Thresholds

- Also known as the *“Protect and Retain the Majority Vote Act”*
- Would require future ballot measures – appearing on the ballot on or after January 1, 2024 – that increase voter approval requirements to also pass by the same margin.
- Expressly authorizes the right of local governing bodies to place advisory questions on the ballot asking voters their opinions on issues.



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