



Recap of 2016 State Legislative Year *With Preview for 2017*

Communications and Legislation Committee
Item 6-b
October 10, 2016

2016 Overview

- Second year of two-year legislative session
- Democrats advanced broad agenda:
 - Climate change
 - Minimum wage increase
 - Gun control
 - State-run retirement plan
 - Farmworker overtime
 - And more!

2016 Legislation Highlights

- September 30 bill signing deadline
 - 1,059 measures sent to Governor in 2016
 - 898 signed
 - 159 vetoed
 - 2 became law without signature
 - Veto rate of 15 percent
 - 1,706 of 4,471 bills brought forward during two-year session enacted into law

2016 Budget Actions

- Funding decisions motivated by ongoing drought:
 - \$4.2m to DFW for Delta Smelt Resiliency Program
 - \$64m to DWR for emergency drought operations
 - \$10m to DWR for drought-stricken communities
 - \$4.5m to DWR/SWRCB for local water shortage contingency plans
 - \$322m to SWRCB for water recycling projects

2016 Legislation

- Metropolitan-Sponsored Measure
 - AB 2488 (Dababneh, D-Encino) **
 - Allows important maintenance and repairs on Foothill Feeder, under certain conditions
 - Authorizes DFW to issue incidental take permit for unarmored threespine stickleback, a CA fully protected species

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2016 Legislation

- Delta-Related Legislation
 - AB 1201 (Salas): Predation
 - AB 1713 (Eggman): Peripheral Canal
 - AB 2583 (Frazier): Delta Reform Act of 2009
 - SB 554 (Wolk): Delta Levee Subvention Program

2016 Legislation

- Water Conservation

- AB 1520 (Stone): Public Records
- AB 1928 (Campos): Water Efficient Landscapes **
- AB 2515 (Weber): Water Conservation in Landscaping Act **

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2016 Legislation

- Water Conservation (continued)
 - SB 7 (Wolk): Submeters **
 - SB 789 (Wieckowski): Excise Tax for Excessive Use of Water
 - SB 814 (Hill): Excessive Use of Water **
 - SB 1340 (Wolk): Water Conservation in Landscaping Act

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2016 Legislation

- Water Market and Transfers
 - AB 1755 (Dodd): Open and Transparent Water Data Act **
 - AB 2304 (Levine): CA Water Market Exchange
 - AB 2909 (Levine): Expedited Review of Transfers

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2016 Legislation

● Climate Change

- AB 197 (E. Garcia): CARB Oversight **
- AB 1613 (Assembly Budget Committee): Cap-and-Trade Revenues **
- SB 32 (Pavley): Greenhouse Gas Emission Goals **
- SB 859 (Senate Budget Committee): Cap-and-Trade Revenues **
- SB 1383 (Lara): Short-Lived Climate Pollutants **

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2016 Legislation

● Water Quality

- SB 143 (Stone): DVL Recreation
- SB 1398 (Leyva): Lead User Service Lines **

● Water/Energy Nexus

- SB 471 (Pavley): Grants and Loans
- SB 551 (Wolk): State Water Policy
- SB 1425 (Pavley): Water/Energy Funding **

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2016 Legislation

- Water Planning and Resource Management
 - AB 2022 (Gordon): Advanced Purified Demonstration Water **
 - AB 2087 (Levine): Resource Conservation Investment Strategies **
 - AB 2594 (Gordon): Stormwater **

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2016 Legislation

- Water Planning and Resource Management (cont'd)
 - SB 163 (Hertzberg): Wastewater Treatment
 - SB 1262 (Pavley): Water Supply Planning **
 - SB 1263 (Wieckowski): New Water System Permits **
 - SB 1386 (Wolk): Natural and Working Lands **

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2016 Legislation

● Infrastructure Investment

- AB 2480 (Bloom): Source Watersheds **
- AB 2551 (Gallagher): Surface Storage **
- ACA 8 (Bloom): Voter-Approval Threshold for Local Water Infrastructure Bonds
- SB 20 (Pavley): CA Water Resiliency Investment Act
- SB 1298 (Hertzberg): Stormwater Financing

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2016 Legislation

- Groundwater
 - AB 647 (Eggman): Beneficial Use
 - SB 1317 (Wolk): Groundwater Extraction Permits

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2016 Legislation

- Disadvantaged Communities
 - SB 552 (Wolk): Consolidation or Extension of Service **
 - SB 1318 (Wolk): Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure or Services

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2016 Legislation

● Local Government

- AB 1794 (Garcia): Central Basin MWD: Board Composition **
- AB 2470 (Gonzalez): Municipal Water Service to Indian Tribes **
- SB 953 (Lara): Central Basin MWD: Contracting **

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Potential Issues for 2017

- Long-term water conservation
 - Update to 20% X 2020 legislation
 - Implementation of SWRCB recommendations
 - Drought contingency plans
- Sacramento-San Joaquin Bay Delta
 - Levee improvement funding
 - Delta Reform Act of 2009
 - Diversion reporting
- Maximize use of wastewater discharges
 - Reintroduction of SB 163 (Hertzberg)

Potential Issues for 2017 (cont'd)

- Water markets/transfers
- Expansion of western energy grid
- Special districts
- Water infrastructure financing
 - Sustainable funding for “orphan” water infrastructure costs
 - Vote threshold for local bond measures

Potential Issues for 2017 (cont'd)

- Water infrastructure financing (cont'd)
 - Proposition 218
 - Watershed funding
- Land use and water supply availability
 - Water supply assessment threshold
- Municipal services to disadvantaged communities

Legislative Calendar for 2017

- December 5: 2017-18 legislative session begins; legislators take oath of office
- January 4: Legislature reconvenes
- January 10: Budget bill submitted by Governor

