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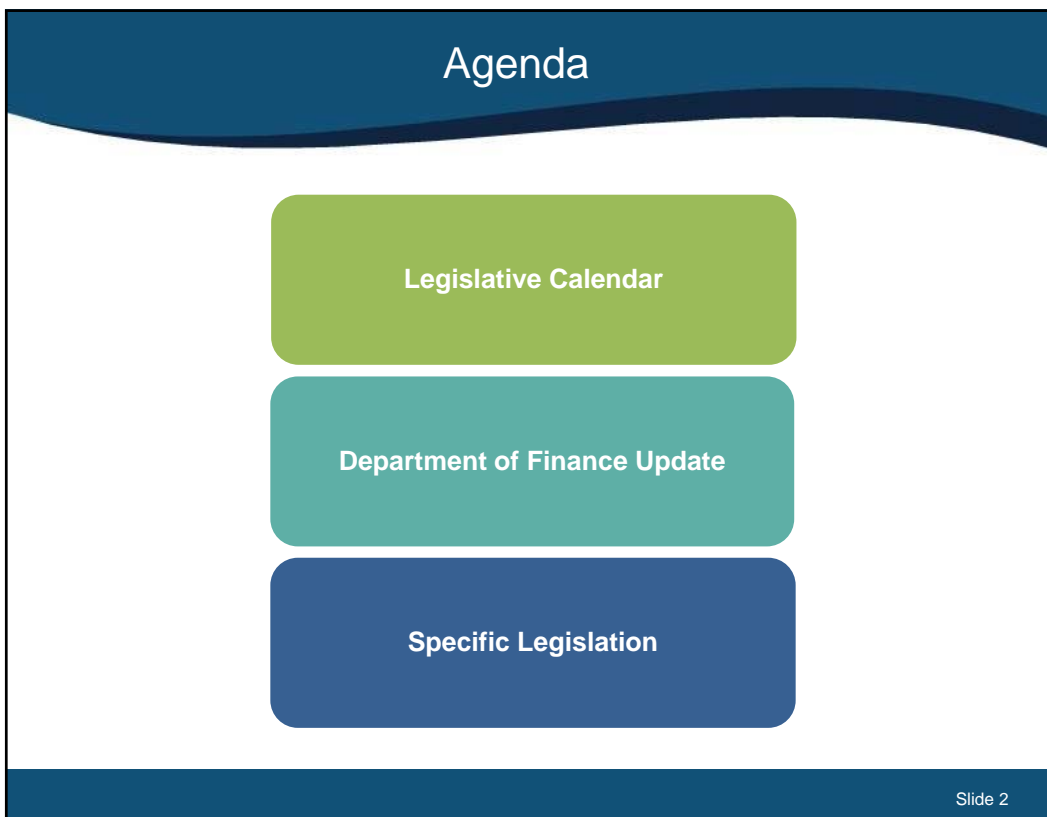


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Agenda

- Legislative Calendar
- Department of Finance Update
- Specific Legislation

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Legislative Calendar

- Bill introduction deadline – February 19, 2021
 - Almost 2,400 bills introduced (Roughly 800 are intent or “spot” bills)
 - Bills introduced in 2020: 2,203
 - Bills introduced in 2019: 2,576
- COVID-19 restrictions – rule waivers
- Limited Committee rooms
- Policy Committees will start meeting frequently in March



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Department of Finance Economic Update

- February 2021 economic statistics:
 - Total of over \$10 billion general fund receipts above Governor’s Budget
 - Over \$7 billion cash receipts in January above Governor’s Budget
- Majority of the surplus attributed to personal income tax



California Department of Finance

February 2021

Finance Bulletin

Keely Bosler, Director

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California Budget Timeline

- **Late January – Early May:** Budget Subcommittees hold hearings on elements of Governor's January Budget Proposal
- **Mid-May:** Governor releases May Revise
- **Late-May – Early-June:** Budget Subcommittees meet to consider May Revise proposals and incorporate legislative priorities
- **Early-June:** Governor and Legislative Leaders finalize budget
- **June 15th:** Deadline for Legislature to approve final budget
- **July 1st:** Beginning of 2021-22 Fiscal Year

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AB 59 (Gabriel)

- **Details:**
 - Changes the statute of limitations for legal challenges for new or increased connection or capacity fees
 - Could result in legal challenges years after fees schedules are implemented
 - Would require that fees collected in excess of the amount needed to provide the service be refunded back to the ratepayers
 - Establishes that data cannot be used to defend the protest that was not made available to the public
- **Status**
 - Referred to the Assembly Local Government Committee and the Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee
 - Has not yet been assigned a hearing date

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AB 377 (Rivas + Hertzberg)

- **Details:**

- Would require all California surface waters to be fishable, swimmable, and drinkable by January 1, 2050
- Would enhance and develop strict enforcement protocols at the SWRCB that subvert current NPDES and contaminant practices
- Prohibits certain permits from being less stringent than previous permits
- Does not include adequate funding to implement, or sufficient definitions and clarification to enforce

- **Status**

- Referred to the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee
- Has not yet been assigned a hearing
- Significant opposition already

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AB 622 (Friedman)

- **Details:**

- Would require, on or before January 1, 2024, that all washing machines sold as new in California contain a microfiber filtration system with a mesh size of 100 microns or smaller.
- Additional amendments are expected

- **Status**

- Referred to the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee
- Has not yet been assigned a hearing

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SB 273 (Hertzberg)

- **Details:**

- Authorizes municipal wastewater agencies to enter into agreements with entities responsible for stormwater management for the purpose of managing stormwater and dry weather runoff, to acquire, construct, expand, operate, maintain, and provide facilities for specified purposes relating to managing stormwater and dry weather runoff
- Includes the authority to levy taxes, fees, and charges consistent with the municipal wastewater agency's existing authority in order to fund projects undertaken pursuant to the bill

- **Status**

- Referred to the Senate Governance and Finance Committee
- Has not yet been assigned a hearing
- Reintroduction of SB 1052 from last year

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AB 818 (Bloom) – Flushable Wipes

- Reintroduction of AB 1672 (Bloom) from last year
- “DO NOT FLUSH” labeling and a universal moniker required in accordance with widely accepted voluntary guidelines established by the Association of the Nonwoven Fabrics Industry's code of practice
- Last year, negotiations included refining the scope of covered products, and a manufacturer driven comprehensive statewide consumer education and outreach campaign
- Adds enforcement provisions including civil penalties and fines



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Legislation: Public Meetings

- Increase of bills in 2021 addressing public meeting transparency, accessibility, and technology
- **Specific Bills**
 - AB 339 (Lee)
 - Significant amendments expected
 - AB 361 (Rivas): CSDA Sponsored
 - AB 703 (Rubio): Three-Valley's Water District Sponsored
 - SB 274 (Wieckowski)

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Thank You

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