

**OC San
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BILL	AUTHOR	SUMMARY	LATEST ACTION	OC SAN POSITION	LEGISLATIVE PLAN	OTHER POSITIONS
Proposed Legislation 2021-2022						
High Priority						
AB 59	Gabriel [D]	This bill would increase, for fees and service charges and for fees for specified public facilities, the time for mailing the notice of the time and place of the meeting to at least 45 days before the meeting. This bill would also require that all fees collected in excess of the cost of the service provided be refunded to the ratepayer. This bill would also change the statute of limitations for protests filed for disputes of rates, potentially allowing rate disputes to be filed months or years after adoption.	Two-Year Bill	Oppose	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - Oppose LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Oppose ACWA - Oppose
AB 322	Salas [D]	Current law requires the Energy Commission, in administering moneys in the Electric Program Investment Charge Fund for research, development, and demonstration programs, to develop and implement the EPIC program for the purpose of awarding funds to projects that may lead to technological advancement and breakthroughs to overcome barriers that prevent the achievement of the state's statutory energy goals and that may result in a portfolio of projects that are strategically focused and sufficiently narrow to make advancement on the most significant technological challenges. Current law, until January 1, 2023, requires the Energy Commission to expend certain percentages of the moneys appropriated from the fund for technology demonstration and deployment at sites that benefit certain communities. This bill would require the Energy Commission to allocate not less than 20% of the funds appropriated for the EPIC program to bioenergy projects for biomass conversion, as specified.	Passed the Assembly Utilities and Energy Committee and will be heard next in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Biosolids and Biogas - Support streamlined legislation, regulations and policies that encourage the procurement of biogas, biosolids, and compost	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Support CSDA - NYC ACWA - Favor
AB 339	Lee [D]	The Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body of a local agency, as those terms are defined, be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. Under existing law, a member of the legislative body who attends a meeting where action is taken in violation of this provision, with the intent to deprive the public of information that the member knows the public is entitled to, is guilty of a crime. This bill would require all meetings to include an opportunity for members of the public to attend via a telephonic option and an internet-based service option. The bill would require all meetings to include an in-person public comment opportunity, except in specified circumstances during a declared state or local emergency. The bill would require all meetings to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed legislation in person and remotely via a telephonic and an internet-based service option, as provided, and would specify requirements for public comment registration.	Recently amended	Oppose Unless Ammended	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - Oppose LOCC - Oppose CASA - Watch CSDA - Oppose ACWA - Oppose

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AB 361	Rivas [D]	Would authorize a local agency to use teleconferencing without complying with the teleconferencing requirements imposed by the Ralph M. Brown Act when a legislative body of a local agency holds a meeting for the purpose of declaring or ratifying a local emergency, during a declared state or local emergency, as those terms are defined, when state or local health officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, and during a declared local emergency provided the legislative body makes certain determinations by majority vote.	Referred to the Assembly Local Government Committee	Support	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Sponsor ACWA - Favor
AB 377	Rivas [D]	Would require, by January 1, 2023, the State Water Resources Control Board and regional boards to prioritize enforcement of all water quality standard violations that are causing or contributing to an exceedance of a water quality standard in a surface water of the state. The bill would require the state board and regional boards, by January 1, 2025, to evaluate impaired state surface waters and report to the Legislature a plan to bring all water segments into attainment by January 1, 2050. The bill would require the state board and regional boards to update the report with a progress summary to the Legislature every 5 years. The bill would create the Waterway Recovery Account in the Waste Discharge Permit Fund and would make moneys in the Waterway Recovery Account available for the state board to expend, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to bring impaired water segments into attainment in accordance with the plan.	Referred to the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee	Watch	Guiding Principles: Oppose redundant regulatory and legislative requirements that cause undue constraints on efficient operations	ACC-OC - Oppose LOCC - Oppose CASA - Oppose CSDA - Oppose ACWA - Concerns
AB 564	Gonzalez [D]	Would establish the Biodiversity Protection and Restoration Act and would provide that it is the policy of the state that all state agencies, boards, and commissions shall utilize their authorities in furtherance of the biodiversity conservation purposes and goals of certain executive orders. The bill would require all state agencies, boards, and commissions to consider and prioritize the protection of biodiversity in carrying out their statutory mandates. The bill would require strategies related to the goal of the state to conserve at least 30% of California's land and coastal waters by 2030 to be made available to the public and provided to certain legislative committees by no later than June 30, 2022.	Referred to the Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee as well as the Assembly Accountability and Administrative Review Committee.	Watch	Guiding Principles: Oppose redundant regulatory and legislative requirements that cause undue constraints on efficient operations	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Watch ACWA - NYC

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AB 602	Grayson [D]	Would, among other things, require, on and after January 1, 2022, a city, county, or special district that conducts an impact fee nexus study to follow specific standards and practices, including, but not limited to, (1) that prior to the adoption of an associated development fee or exaction, an impact fee nexus study be adopted, (2) that the study identify the existing level of service for each assessed impact, identify the proposed new level of service, explain the level of metric being used, and include a finding of why the new level of service is necessary, and (3) that a fee levied or imposed on a housing development project by a local agency be proportionate to the square footage of the proposed unit or units. The bill would also require a city, county, or special district to post a written fee schedule or a link directly to the written fee schedule on its internet website.	Passed the Assembly Local Government Committee and will be heard next in the Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Watch ACWA - NYC
AB 622	Friedman [D]	Current law, to protect public health and water quality, regulates a broad range of consumer products and processes, including water softeners, water treatment devices, and backflow prevention devices, among others. This bill 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.	Currently in the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee.	Support	State Priorities: Support legislation or regulations that restrict the use of microplastics and chemicals of emerging concern in any product that is disposed of through the sewer system.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - NYC ACWA - NYC
AB 652	Friedman [D]	Would, on and after July 1, 2023, prohibit a person, including a manufacturer, from selling or distributing in commerce in this state any new, not previously owned, juvenile product, as defined, that contains perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) at a detectable level above an unspecified amount. The bill would establish requirements for manufacturers when replacing PFAS in juvenile products.	Currently on the Assembly Floor		State Priorities: Monitor state legislation as well as State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) regulatory activity related to PFAS.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - NYC ACWA - NYC

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AB 703	Rubio [D]	Current law, by Executive Order N-29-20, suspends the Ralph M. Brown Act's requirements for teleconferencing during the COVID-19 pandemic, provided that notice requirements are met, the ability of the public to observe and comment is preserved, as specified, and that a local agency permitting teleconferencing have a procedure for receiving and swiftly resolving requests for reasonable accommodation for individuals with disabilities, as specified. This bill would remove the requirements of the act particular to teleconferencing and allow for teleconferencing subject to existing provisions regarding the posting of notice of an agenda and the ability of the public to observe the meeting and provide public comment. The bill would require that, in each instance in which notice of the time of the teleconferenced meeting is otherwise given or the agenda for the meeting is otherwise posted, the local agency also give notice of the means by which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment and that the legislative body have and implement a procedure for receiving and swiftly resolving requests for reasonable accommodation for individuals with disabilities, consistent with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, as provided.	Currently in the Assembly Local Government Committee and has not yet been assigned a hearing date.	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Watch ACWA - Support
AB 802	Bloom [D]	Would require the Water Resources Control Board to identify the best available control technology for filtering microfibers from an industrial, institutional, or commercial laundry facility on or before an unspecified date, and would require the state board to consult with owners and operators of laundry facilities on the types of filtration systems currently in use and with universities, scientific organizations, and experts on plastic pollution in identifying the best available control technology. The bill would also require, on or before an unspecified date, any entity that operates an industrial, institutional, or commercial laundry facility to adopt the use of the best available control technology to capture microfibers that are shed during washing.	Currently in the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee.	Watch	State Priorities: Support legislation or regulations that restrict the use of microplastics and chemicals of emerging concern in any product that is disposed of through the sewer system.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - NYC ACWA - Favor
AB 818	Bloom [D]	Would require, except as provided, certain premoistened nonwoven disposable wipes manufactured on or after July 1, 2022, to be labeled clearly and conspicuously with the phrase "Do Not Flush" and a related symbol, as specified. The bill would prohibit a covered entity, as defined, from making a representation about the flushable attributes, benefits, performance, or efficacy of those premoistened nonwoven disposable wipes, as provided. The bill would establish enforcement provisions, including authorizing a civil penalty not to exceed \$2,500 per day, up to a maximum of \$100,000 per violation, to be imposed on a covered entity who violates those provisions.	Currently in the Assembly Appropriations Committee	Support	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Source Control - Support legislation that regulates the disposal of flushable wipes.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Support CASA - Sponsor CSDA - Support ACWA - Support

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AB 1001	C. Garcia [D]	Would require the California Environmental Protection Agency, on or before May 1, 2022, to publish, maintain, and update a list of overburdened communities, as defined. The bill would, on or after July 1, 2022, require a permitting agency to take certain actions for an application for a new environmental permit, as defined, or the renewal of an environmental permit for a facility located in an overburdened community. The bill would require a permit applicant to prepare an environmental justice impact statement, to conduct a public hearing in the overburdened community, and to transmit the environmental justice impact statement to the permitting agency.	Currently in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Air Quality - Support measures that maintain and enhance local decision-making authority, where appropriate, in the development and implementation of air quality attainment strategies.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Concerns CSDA - NYC ACWA - NYC
AB 1200	Ting [D]	Would prohibit, beginning January 1, 2022, any person from distributing, selling, or offering for sale in the state any food packaging that contains intentionally added perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances or PFAS, as defined. The bill would define "food packaging," in part, to mean a nondurable package, packaging component, or food service ware that is comprised, in substantial part, of paper, paperboard, or other materials originally derived from plant fibers.	Currently on the Assembly Floor	Watch	State Priorities: Monitor state legislation as well as State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) regulatory activity related to PFAS.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Support CSDA - Watch ACWA - NYC
AB 1271	Ting [D]	Current law, beginning January 1, 2021, imposes a penalty for violation of specified surplus land provisions after a local agency receives the notification from the Department of Housing and Community Development and a penalty for subsequent violations. Current law authorizes specified entities or persons to bring an action against a local agency to enforce the provisions related to surplus land and allows a local agency 60 days to cure or correct an alleged violation before the action may be brought, except as specified. This bill would provide that these surplus land provisions do not preclude a local agency that purchases surplus land from a disposing agency from reconveying the surplus land to a nonprofit or for-profit housing developer for development of low- and moderate-income housing as authorized under other provisions of law.	Currently in the Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee and has not yet been assigned a hearing date.	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Oppose CSDA - Watch ACWA - NYC
AB 1296	Kamlager [D]	Current law establishes the South Coast Air Quality Management District as the district with the responsibility for controlling air pollution from sources other than vehicular sources in the South Coast Air Basin. Current law establishes a district board consisting of 13 members to govern the south coast district. Current law requires one member of the district board to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and one member to be appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly. This bill would increase the number of members of the district board of the south coast district to 15 members by adding 2 environmental justice appointees, one appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and one appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.	Currently in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee and has not been assigned a hearing date	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Air Quality - Support measures that maintain and enhance local decision-making authority, where appropriate, in the development and implementation of air quality attainment strategies.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - NYC CSDA - Watch ACWA - NYC

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AB 1434	Friedman [D]	Would establish, beginning January 1, 2023, until January 1, 2025, the standard for indoor residential water use as 48 gallons per capita daily. The bill would establish, beginning January 1, 2025, the standard as 44 gallons per capita daily and, beginning January 1, 2030, 40 gallons per capita daily. The bill would eliminate the requirement that the department, in coordination with the state board, conduct necessary studies and investigations and jointly recommend to the Legislature a standard for indoor residential water use.	Currently in the Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee and will be heard on April 26.	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Water Quality and Supply - Support legislation and regulation that promote improved water use efficiency through state assistance in evaluating and implementing new programs and technologies and increasing public awareness of water use efficiency	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Opposed CSDA - Opposed ACWA - Oppose
AB 1500	E. Garcia [D]	Would enact the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2022, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$6,700,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe drinking water, wildfire prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, extreme heat mitigation, and workforce development programs.	Passed the Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee and will be heard in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee.	Watch	Guiding Principles: Seek funds for OC San projects through grants, appropriations, or other means	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Support if Amended ACWA - Support if Amended
SB 45	Portantino [D]	Would enact the Wildfire Prevention, Safe Drinking Water, Drought Preparation, and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2022, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$5,510,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for a wildfire prevention, safe drinking water, drought preparation, and flood protection program. Includes \$100 million.	Currently in the Senate Appropriations Committee	Watch	Guiding Principles: Seek funds for OC San projects through grants, appropriations, or other means	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Support if Amended ACWA - Support if Amended
SB 54	Allen [D]	Would establish the Plastic Pollution Producer Responsibility Act, which would prohibit producers of single-use, disposable packaging or single-use, disposable food service ware products from offering for sale, selling, distributing, or importing in or into the state such packaging or products that are manufactured on or after January 1, 2032, unless they are recyclable or compostable.	Currently in the Senate Environmental Quality Committee and will be heard on April 26.	Watch	State Priorities: Support legislation or regulations that restrict the use of microplastics in any product that is disposed of through the sewer system.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Watch ACWA - NYC

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SB 95	Skinner	Would provide for COVID-19 supplemental paid sick leave for covered employees, as defined, who are unable to work or telework due to certain reasons related to COVID-19, including that the employee has been advised by a health care provider to self-quarantine due to concerns related to COVID-19. The bill would entitle a covered employee to 80 hours of COVID-19 supplemental paid sick leave if that employee either works full time or was scheduled to work, on average, at least 40 hours per week for the employer in the 2 weeks preceding the date the covered employee took COVID-19 supplemental paid sick leave. The bill would provide a different calculation for supplemental paid sick leave for a covered employee who is a firefighter subject to certain work schedule requirements and for a covered employee working fewer or variable hours, as specified.	Signed into law	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Oppose ACWA - NYC
SB 230	Portantino [D]	Would require the State Water Resources Control Board to establish, maintain, and direct an ongoing, dedicated program called the Constituents of Emerging Concern Program to assess the state of information and recommend areas for further study on, among other things, the occurrence of constituents of emerging concern (CEC) in drinking water sources and treated drinking water. The bill would require the state board to convene, by an unspecified date, the Science Advisory Panel to review and provide recommendations to the state board on CEC for further action, among other duties. The bill would require the state board to provide an annual report to the Legislature on the ongoing work conducted by the panel.	Two-Year Bill	Watch	State Priorities: Monitor state legislation as well as State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) regulatory activity related to PFAS.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Support ACWA - Favor
SB 273	Hertzberg [D]	SB 273 would authorize municipal wastewater agencies to enter into voluntary agreements with entities responsible for stormwater management – including municipal, industrial, and commercial stormwater dischargers – to more effectively manage stormwater and dry weather runoff.	Currently in the Senate Appropriations Committee	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Co-sponsor CSDA - Support ACWA - Favor

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SB 274	Wieckowski [D]	The Ralph M. Brown Act, requires meetings of the legislative body of a local agency to be open and public and also requires regular and special meetings of the legislative body to be held within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, with specified exceptions. Current law authorizes a person to request that a copy of an agenda, or a copy of all the documents constituting the agenda packet, of any meeting of a legislative body be mailed to that person. This bill would require a local agency with an internet website, or its designee, to email a copy of, or website link to, the agenda or a copy of all the documents constituting the agenda packet if the person requests that the items be delivered by email. If a local agency determines it to be technologically infeasible to send a copy of the documents or a link to a website that contains the documents by mail or by other electronic means, the bill would require the legislative body or its designee to send by mail a copy of the agenda or a website link to the agenda and to mail a copy of all other documents constituting the agenda packet, as specified.	Currently in the Senate Appropriations Committee	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Watch ACWA - Favor
SB 323	Caballero [D]	Current law prohibits a local agency from imposing fees for specified purposes, including fees for water or sewer connections, as defined, that exceed the estimated reasonable cost of providing the service for which the fee is charged, unless voter approval is obtained. Current law provides that a local agency levying a new a water or sewer connection fee or increasing a fee must do so by ordinance or resolution. Current law requires, for specified fees, including water or sewer connection fees, any judicial action or proceeding to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul an ordinance, resolution, or motion adopting a new fee or service charge or modifying an existing fee or service charge to be commenced within 120 days of the effective date of the ordinance, resolution, or motion according to specified procedures for validation proceedings. This bill would apply the same judicial action procedure and timelines, as stated above, to ordinances, resolutions, or motions adopting, modifying, or amending water or sewer service fees or charges adopted after January 1, 2022, except as provided.	Passed the Senate Governance and Finance Committee and is currently in the Senate Judiciary Committee	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Support CASA - Watch CSDA - Support ACWA - Sponsor
SB 342	Gonzalez [D]	Current law establishes the South Coast Air Quality Management District vested with the authority to regulate air emissions from stationary sources located in the South Coast Air Basin and establishes a district board, consisting of 13 members. This bill would add 2 members to the district board, appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly. The bill would require the 2 additional members to reside in and work directly with communities in the South Coast Air Basin that are disproportionately burdened by and vulnerable to high levels of pollution and issues of environmental justice.	Currently in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee	Watch		

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SB 351	Caballero [D]	Current law establishes the State Water Resources Control Board for the purposes of providing for the orderly and efficient administration of the water resources of the state. This bill, the Water Innovation Act of 2021, would create the Office of Water Innovation at the California Water Commission for the furtherance of new technologies and other innovative approaches in the water sector. The bill would require the office, by December 31, 2023, to take specified measures to advance innovation in the water sector. The bill would make findings and declarations regarding the need for water innovation.	Currently in the Senate Appropriations Committee	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Biosolids and Biogas - Support streamlined legislation, regulations and policies that encourage the procurement of biogas, biosolids, and compost	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Watch CSDA - Support ACWA - Favor
SB 695	Ochoa Bogh [R]	Would prohibit a local agency from imposing a housing impact requirement adopted by the local agency on a housing development project, as defined, unless specified requirements are satisfied by the local agency, including that the local agency prepare and adopt a nexus study, as specified. The bill, for purposes of these provisions, defines "housing impact requirement" as a fee imposed under the Mitigation Fee Act, dedications of parkland or in-lieu fees imposed under the Quimby Act, or a construction excise tax. This bill would require a local agency to adopt a nexus study that is used to demonstrate compliance with these provisions, subject to specified public participation requirements. This bill would prohibit a housing impact requirement from exceeding the amount necessary to maintain the existing level of service identified in the nexus study for the type of capital facility for which the housing impact requirement is imposed.	Currently in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee and has not yet been assigned a hearing date.	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Oppose CSDA - Watch ACWA - NYC
SB 791	Cortese [D]	Would, upon appropriation by the Legislature, establish the California Surplus Land Authority with the primary purpose of facilitating the development and construction of residential housing on state and local surplus property, as defined. In this regard, the bill would authorize the authority to, among other things, provide advice, technical assistance, and consultative and technical service to local agencies with surplus land and developers that seek to develop housing on the surplus land; raise, administer, and allocate funding to facilitate the development of residential housing on surplus land; assist developers and local agencies in becoming more attractive applicants for financing through financial instruments, including credit enhancements, letters of credit, insurance, and guarantees; and enter into joint ventures with local agencies and developers to develop and manage housing developments on surplus land.	Currently in the Senate Housing Committee and will be heard on April 29	Watch	Legislative and Regulatory Policies: Special Districts - Oppose further state regulations that adversely impact special district financing, operations, and administration.	ACC-OC - NYC LOCC - Watch CASA - Oppose CSDA - No Position ACWA - NYC

Legend:

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LOCC - League of California Cities
NYC - Not Yet Considered
CASA - California Association of Sanitation Agencies
ACWA - Association of California Water Agencies
CSDA - California Special Districts Association