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TABLE 1: BOARD ACTION ITEMS

Bill	Subject	Status	Recommended Position
<u>SB 827</u> <u>(Gonzalez D)</u> Local agency officials: training.	SB 827 makes changes to existing ethics training requirements for local officials including, adding any department head or similar administrative office to the list of local officials that must complete ethics training, requiring all local agency officials that commence their service on or after January 1, 2026, to receive training no later than six months from their first day of service, and requiring local agencies to publish certain records on their websites, and requires certain local agency officials to receive at least two hours of fiscal and financial training at least once every two years.	Assembly Local Government	Support
<u>SB 707 (Durazo D)</u> Open meetings: meeting and teleconference requirements.	SB 707 is an overhaul of the Brown Act. SB 707 would until January 1, 2030, require an eligible legislative body, as defined, to comply with additional meeting requirements, including that, except as specified, all open and public meetings include an opportunity for members of the public to attend via a 2-way telephonic service or a 2-way audiovisual platform, as defined, and that the eligible legislative body take specified actions	Assembly Local Government	Oppose Unless Amended

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	to encourage residents to participate in public meetings, as specified.		

TABLE 2: BOARD ADOPTED ITEMS

Bill	Subject	Status	Adopted Position
<u>AB 339</u> (Ortega D) Local public employee organizations: notice requirements.	AB 339 would require a public agency to notify employee organizations at least 60 days before posting a request for proposals for services that are within the scope of services that can be performed by an employee organization. The bill previously required 120-day notice. The affected employee organization can request to meet and confer on the request for proposal, and public entity if requested is required to meet within a reasonable time.	Senate Labor	Watch
<u>AB 394</u> (Wilson D) Crimes: public transportation providers.	This measure would expand existing law regarding battery of a transit operator or transit passenger to also include an employee or contractor of a public transit provider. In addition, AB 394 was amended to remove the prohibition order language; however, the amendments would allow a restraining order to be issued against an individual who commits battery against, or stalking of, a transit employee, to be enforceable across the entirety of the public transit system.	Senate Public Safety	Support

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<u>AB 1070</u> <u>(Ward D)</u> Transit districts: governing boards: compensation: nonvoting members.	<p>The author pulled AB 1070 from the Assembly Local Government Committee agenda, making it a two-year bill.</p> <p>This proposal would require ALL transit governing board members to demonstrate that they use public transit in order to be compensated for serving on the transit board. In addition, the bill would require the addition of 2 non-voting members to governing boards. The seats would be reserved for a representative of transit user groups, and a seat represented by the labor organization representing the majority of employees. Both non-voting members would have two alternates each. The nonvoting members may be excluded from any discussions regarding labor negotiations</p>	ASSEMBLY LOCAL GOVERNMENT Two-Year Bill	Watch
<u>AB 1337</u> <u>(Ward D)</u> Information Practices Act of 1977.	<p>This bill requires each local agency in the state to comply with the Information Practices Act (IPA) and subjects the IPA to more types of personal information to regulation under the law.</p> <p>The IPA governs the collection, maintenance, and disclosure of personal information by California state agencies. The statute was passed in 1977 and has largely remained unchanged. The IPA does not currently apply to local agencies.</p>	Senate Judiciary	OPPOSE

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	<p>AB 1337 would require all local agencies to comply with the IPA and expands the definition of “personal information” in the IPA to mirror the more comprehensive definition included in the California Consumer Privacy Act, which governs collection and disclosure of personal data by private companies.</p> <p>The cost to comply with the requirements in AB 1337 could be significant.</p>		
<p><u>SB 63</u> (Wiener D) San Francisco Bay area: local revenue measure: transportation funding.</p>	<p>SB 63 was approved by the Senate on a vote of 28-10.</p> <p>SB 63 would authorize a 10- to 15-year regional public transportation operations sales tax measure on the November 2026 ballot in the Counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, and San Francisco, with the option for the Counties of San Mateo and Santa Clara to be added.</p> <p>While there remain missing pieces, negotiations continue as SB 63 moves forward.</p>	Assembly Transp	Support & Seek Amendments
<p><u>SB 71</u> (Wiener D) California Environmental Quality Act: exemptions: transit projects.</p>	<p>The Senate unanimously approved SB 71.</p> <p>SB 71 would repeal the sunset date on existing law that exempts certain transit, bicycle, and pedestrian projects from CEQA. I</p> <p>Specifically, this bill</p>	Assembly Natural Resources	Support

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removes the January 1, 2030, sunset on existing California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exemptions for various transportation plans and projects. Expands these exemptions to include, among others, Tier 4 or cleaner locomotives, shuttles and ferries and projects outside of urbanized areas or clusters. Retains a January 1, 2032, sunset for transportation projects using near-zero emission, natural gas, or low- nitrogen oxide (NOx) technology. 		
<p><u>SB 79</u> <u>(Wiener D)</u> Local government land: public transit use: housing development: transit-oriented development.</p>	<p>The intent of SB 79 is to promote housing and mixed-use development projects near transit services, particularly on parcels owned or controlled by a transit operator. The bill was amended to apply only to parcels near rail service and bus rapid transit corridors.</p> <p>The goal is to not only promote housing near transit but also create a mechanism for these development projects to generate revenue for transit operators. The size and density of these development projects depends on the type of transit service located within ¼ mile of the project site.</p>	Assembly Housing	Support

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<u>SB 239</u> (Arreguín D) Open meetings: teleconferencing: subsidiary body.	<i>The provisions in SB 239 will be added to SB 707, which is a comprehensive overhaul of Brwon Act provisions related to remote participation.</i> SB 239 proposed to allow certain types of advisory or subsidiary bodies to meet using remote/teleconference participation if specified conditions are met. SB 239 would not apply to a subsidiary body that has subject matter jurisdiction over police oversight, elections, or budgets.	SENATE FLOOR Inactive File	Support
<u>SB 419</u> (Caballero D) Hydrogen fuel.	SB 419 would, starting on January 1, 2026, exempt the state portion of sales tax from the purchase or use of hydrogen used as a transportation fuel. This exemption would not apply to locally imposed sales taxes.	Assembly Rev & Tax	Support
<u>SB 752</u> (Richardson D) Sales and use taxes: exemptions: California Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project: transit buses.	This bill would extend by two years the sunset date on the existing state sales tax exemption on the purchase of zero emission transit buses. The current exemption is set to expire on January 1, 2026. This bill would push it back to January 1, 2028.	SENATE APPROPRIATIONS Held on Suspense	Support