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TO:

Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission

FROM:

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RE:

Legislative Update

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RECOMMENDATION

Information only, no action is recommended.

BACKGROUND

This memo is part of the ongoing effort to keep your Commission informed regarding various LAFCo related legislative matters.

Friday, February 21, is the deadline for introducing new legislation for 2014, the second year of the two-year session. The exception is Committee bills which can be introduced through March. However, bills can be amended or "gut and amended" throughout the session until August.

An ad-hoc legislative committee appointed by the CALAFCO Board of Directors has identified three bills that are of interest, one of which is a gut/amend and two that were introduced recently in the Assembly. CALAFCO has not yet taken a formal position on these bills.

SUMMARY

There are several pieces of CALAFCO proposed legislation that may be of interest to your Commission.

AB 677 (Fox) – Vehicle License Fee Adjustments

A gut and amend, this bill has virtually the same language as SB 69 (Roth) and SB 56 (Roth), both from the last legislative session. SB 56 was stalled in the Senate so on the eve before the legislature's deadline to pass bills, SB 69 was gut and amended on the Assembly side.

The only difference in language between AB 677 and SB 69 and SB 56 is the retainer of a section that addresses the VLF one-time increase to the County of Orange in the amount of \$53 million.

CALAFCO took a support position on SB 56 (due to the lateness of the gut/amend of SB 69 no position was taken). Given the most recently incorporated cities dire need of the revenue counted on during incorporation and annexation processes, and in light of Jurupa Valley beginning the disincorporation process due to lack of revenue as a result of SB 89, CALAFCO will want to support any effort by the legislature to reinstate this revenue stream.

History:

01/07/14 Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.

01/06/14 From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and

re-refer to Com. on L. GOV. Read second time and amended.

01/06/14 Referred to Com. on L. GOV.

02/22/13 From printer. May be heard in committee March 24.

02/21/13 Read first time. To print.

AB 1521 (Fox) - Vehicle License Fee Adjustments

Introduced on January 16, 2014, this bill is intended to address the future year calculations of VLF adjustments beginning with the 2013/2014 fiscal year.

History:

01/17/14 From printer. May be heard in committee February 16.

01/16/14 Read first time. To print.

AB 1527 - (Perea) – Public Drinking Water Systems

Introduced on January 17, 2014, this bill is the same as AB 2238 (Perea, 2012) in its amended format as of June 20, 2012. CALAFCO's original position on AB 2238 was that of oppose, which was then removed after a series of amendments, then later changed to support as a result of the amendments made on June 20, 2012. While there were two additional amendments made after that, CALAFCO's position remained support. The bill ended up dying in the Senate Appropriations Suspense file.

AB 1527 requires funding for construction project feasibility studies to include studies of service delivery alternatives if at least 1 service agency services a disadvantaged community; also requires the DPH to make a determination to include the viability of these service delivery alternatives and to consider LAFCo studies and determinations from the previous 5 years, to consult with LAFCo Executive Officer and consider other applicable local/regional studies related to the delivery of drinking water.

History:

01/21/14 From printer. May be heard in committee February 20.

01/17/14 Read first time. To print.

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