



CURRENT BILLS OF INTEREST

AUGUST 2007

AB 35 **AUTHOR:** Ruskin (D)
TITLE: Environment: State Buildings: Building Standards
LAST AMEND: 08/01/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee
HEARING: 08/20/2007 10:00 am
SUMMARY:
Enacts the Sustainable Building Act of 2007. Requires a state agency that commences construction of, or renovation to, a state building to design, construct, and operate the building to meet, at a minimum, applicable certification standards described in the United States Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design for a gold rating. Authorizes the agency to also consider existing relevant information and guidelines and to provide for credits for the use of specified products.
CALBO Position: **WATCH**

AB 38 **AUTHOR:** Nava (D)
TITLE: Department of Emergency Services and Homeland Security
LAST AMEND: 05/01/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Public Safety Committee
SUMMARY:
Deletes provisions of existing law that governs the Office of Homeland Security and the Office of Emergency Services and establishes the Department of Emergency Services and Homeland Security which would succeed to and be vested with the duties, powers, purposes, responsibilities of both of the former offices. Requires the Office of Emergency Services to develop and complete a guidance document to the state emergency plan with respect to agriculture-related disasters.
CALBO Position: **WATCH**

AB 42 **AUTHOR:** Runner S (R)
TITLE: Grand Theft: Subsidized Housing
LAST AMEND: 04/18/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Public Safety Committee
SUMMARY:
Provides that when a person defrauds a government subsidized housing program to grand theft it is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison. Requires a local government housing authority to provide written notice to tenancy applications of the above criminal penalty provisions.
CALBO Position: **WATCH**

AB 62 **AUTHOR:** Nava (D)
TITLE: Disaster Relief

LAST AMEND: 07/20/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee
HEARING: 08/20/2007 10:00 am
SUMMARY:

Provides for state allocations with respect to property tax revenue reductions resulting from a reassessment for damages incurred in the Counties of Ventura and El Dorado, which were declared by the Governor to be in a state of emergency due to wildfires. Provides that any dwelling that qualified for the homeowner's exemption that was damaged or destroyed by the wildfires, and has not changed ownership may not be denied the exemption on the basis that the dwelling was temporarily damaged or destroyed.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 80 **AUTHOR:** Krekorian (D)
TITLE: School Facilities: Energy Efficiency
LAST AMEND: 04/09/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Education Committee
SUMMARY:

Requires the State Architect to incorporate specified energy efficiency standards as a condition of certification for school facilities constructed or modernized with state funds pursuant to the Leroy F. Green School Facilities Act of 1998.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 82 **AUTHOR:** Evans (D)
TITLE: Local Planning: Regional Housing Needs: Napa
LAST AMEND: 04/10/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

SUMMARY:
Requires the council of governments, when allocating low-income and affordable housing in Napa County, to allot one unit to the county for the unincorporated area for every 9 units allocated to the cities within the county for the incorporated areas. Authorizes Napa County to transfer all or part of its housing assignment to a city within the county, with the consent of that city.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 94 **AUTHOR:** Levine (D)
TITLE: Renewable Energy
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Natural Resources Committee
SUMMARY:

Revises the intent language so that the amount of electricity generated per year from eligible renewable energy resources is increased to an amount that equals at least 33% of the total electricity sold to retail customers in California per year by a specified date. Requires that each retail seller increase its total procurement of eligible renewable energy resources by at least an additional 1% of retail sales per year so that 33% of its retail sales

are procured from eligible renewable energy resources.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 126 **AUTHOR:** Beall (D)
TITLE: Structural Fumigation Enforcement Program
LAST AMEND: 07/05/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 209
LOCATION: Senate Third Reading File
SUMMARY:
Relates to existing law which provides that the Los Angeles County and Orange County Agricultural Commissioners may contract with the Director of the Department of Pesticide Regulation to perform increased structural fumigation, inspection, and enforcement activities in those counties. Applies these provisions to the Santa Clara County Agricultural Commissioner and to Santa Clara County.
CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 133 **AUTHOR:** Garcia (R)
TITLE: Economic Develop Capital Investment Program
LAST AMEND: 03/27/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Local Government Committee
SUMMARY:
Relates to existing law that establishes the capital investment incentive program that authorizes a local government to pay a capital investment incentive amount to a proponent of a qualified manufacturing facility, including what types of business operate the facility. Includes within those types of business, a business engaged in the operation of a powerplant used for the production of electricity from one or more specified energy sources.
CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 154 **AUTHOR:** Nakanishi (R)
TITLE: Personal Income Tax and Corporation Income Tax
LAST AMEND: 05/08/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY:
Authorizes, in conformance with federal law, a deduction under the Person Income Tax and Corporate Tax laws for a taxpayer in an amount equal to the cost of an energy efficient commercial building located in the state, subject to specified restrictions.
CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 155 **AUTHOR:** Nakanishi (R)
TITLE: Income and Corporation Taxes: Credit
LAST AMEND: 05/14/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee
SUMMARY:
Allows under the Personal Income Tax and Corporation Tax laws a credit to a qualified taxpayer for the construction of, or acquiring of, a qualified

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 532 **AUTHOR:** Wolk (D)
TITLE: State Property: Solar Energy
LAST AMEND: 05/10/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY:

Requires the Department of General Services to ensure solar energy equipment is installed on all state building and state parking facilities as well as state-owned swimming pools that are heated with fossil fuels or electricity regarding the requirement that solar energy equipment be installed as part of construction of such facilities. Changes the requirement that solar equipment be installed as part of all buildings and parking facilities to apply to construction commencing after a specified date.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 542 **AUTHOR:** Gaines (R)
TITLE: Historical Building Safety Board: Membership
ENACTED: 07/12/2007
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 55
SUMMARY:

Includes Building Owners and Managers Association of California within the membership of the Historical Building Safety Board.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 564 **AUTHOR:** Brownley (D)
TITLE: Building Standards: Carbon Neutral Buildings
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
SUMMARY:

States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to adopt carbon neutral building standards for new residential and new nonresidential buildings.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 609 **AUTHOR:** Eng (D)
TITLE: State Building Construction: Energy Conservation
LAST AMEND: 07/18/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee
HEARING: 08/20/2007 10:00 am
SUMMARY:

Amends the State Building Construction Act which authorizes the State Public Works Board to acquire and to engage in the construction of, cogeneration equipment. Requires the equipment, conservation measures, or energy service contracts to be anticipated to provide costs to the state within 15 years, based on a life-cycle cost analysis.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 641 **AUTHOR:** Torrico (D)
TITLE: Developer Fees
LAST AMEND: 06/28/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 100
LOCATION: Senate Third Reading File
SUMMARY:
Provides that the specified exemption to the existing developer fee prohibition does not apply, except by developer fees levied for school construction purposes, to units reserved for occupancy by lower income households included in a residential development proposed by a nonprofit housing developer in which at least 49% of the total units are reserved for occupancy by lower income households at an affordable rent.
CALBO Position: **WATCH**

AB 642 **AUTHOR:** Wolk (D)
TITLE: Design-Build: Counties, Cities & Special Districts
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Local Government Committee
SUMMARY:
Authorizes any county, with the approval of the board of supervisors, to enter into design-build contracts in accordance with specified provisions. Expands design-build contracts to include water resource facilities and wastewater treatment projects.
CALBO Position: **WATCH**

AB 715 **AUTHOR:** Laird (D)
TITLE: Water Conservation: Low-Flush Water Closets
LAST AMEND: 07/02/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 147
LOCATION: Senate Third Reading File
SUMMARY:
Requires all water closets and urinals sold or installed shall use no more than a specified average amount of water per flush. Requires all water closets and urinals, other than blow-out urinals, sold or installed to be high-efficiency. Requires manufacturers selling water closets or urinals to offer high-efficiency models for sale in a specified percentage of all models offered. Requires a nonwater-supplied urinal approved for installation or sold to meet requirements and building standards therefor.
CALBO Position: **WATCH**

AB 759 **AUTHOR:** Karnette (D)
TITLE: Fire Protection: Residential Care Facilities
LAST AMEND: 06/01/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Human Services Committee
SUMMARY:
Requires every residential care facility for the elderly that is licensed to care for not more than 6 residents, to have an approved, operable automatic fire sprinkler system. Requires the State Fire Marshal to adopt regulations to implement these provisions. Provides that if a facility does not own the property, the requirements do not apply until a specified date, that the

landlord shall determine all phases of construction, and the facility shall pay all costs.

CALBO Position: SUPPORT

AB 785 **AUTHOR:** Hancock (D)
TITLE: Energy Efficiency Measures
LAST AMEND: 07/16/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee
HEARING: 08/20/2007 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Specifies that the failure of a licensed contractor to comply with the building energy efficiency standards constitutes a cause for disciplinary action and civil penalties. Requires the State Contractor Licensing Board to compile data and to submit a report to the Legislature that includes the number of related fines. Requires the State Air Resources Board to be the lead agency on a task force to develop a plan for how to include urban heating island mitigation measure in air quality compliance standards.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 796 **AUTHOR:** Assembly Insurance Committee
TITLE: Insurance
LAST AMEND: 06/25/2007
ENACTED: 07/27/2007
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 138

SUMMARY:

Relates to adding another level of Total Adjusted Capital with respect to insurers comprehensive financial plan that is filed with the Insurance Commissioner, the marketability of securities held by inadmitted insurers in order to qualify for coverage from a surplus lines broker, the capital and surpluses of Insurance Exchanges, the charging of additional premiums and deductibles for earthquake insurance, and the definition of credit default swap as it relates to financial guaranty insurance.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 888 **AUTHOR:** Lieu (D)
TITLE: Green Building Standards
LAST AMEND: 07/10/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee
HEARING: 08/20/2007 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Requires Environmental Protection Agency to develop, adopt and make available a set of minimum green building standards for specified nonresidential commercial buildings. Provides the standards would have to meet and encompass, at a minimum, specified United States Green Building Council's gold rating for new construction and major renovation. Requires the state Building Standards Commission to review the standards to ensure they exceed and are not in conflict with the existing state code.

CALBO Position: OPPOSE, unless amended

- AB 1058** **AUTHOR:** Laird (D)
TITLE: Green Building Construction: Best Practices
LAST AMEND: 07/17/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee
HEARING: 08/20/2007 10:00 am
SUMMARY:
Requires the Environmental Protection Agency to develop, adopt, and make available a set of voluntary green building best practices for residential home construction. Requires the best practices developed by the agency to include measures regarding energy, water, materials, and resources efficiency, indoor environmental quality, innovation and design process, nonmotorized transportation, and a method for determining life-cycle cost. Reconvenes a related working group.
CALBO Position: **OPPOSE, unless amended**
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- AB 1065** **AUTHOR:** Lieber (D)
TITLE: Public Resources: Building Standards
LAST AMEND: 04/16/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY:
Requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to adopt standards that would reduce energy consumption per gross square foot of floorspace of a new residential and new nonresidential buildings, from offsite sources, on a specified schedule. Requires the commission to review or approve one or more computer programs for use in demonstrating compliance with these standards and to prescribe requirements for compliance software and to review and approve such software.
CALBO Position: **WATCH**
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- AB 1213** **AUTHOR:** Price (D)
TITLE: Local Government: Housing Elements
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Local Government Committee
SUMMARY:
Relates to existing law requiring local governments to adopt a general plan that addresses a number of elements, including the housing elements.
CALBO Position: **WATCH**
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- AB 1223** **AUTHOR:** Arambula (D)
TITLE: Public Utilities: Net Energy Metering
LAST AMEND: 04/26/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications
 Committee
SUMMARY: **WATCH**
Requires that, for the purposes of determining whether an agricultural customer-generator using wind or solar electric generation was a net consumer or a net producer of electricity during the 12-month period, the electrical corporation shall aggregate the electrical load of the agricultural customer under the same ownership located on property adjacent or

contiguous to the generation facility. Requires that each aggregated account be billed and measured according to a time-of-use rate schedule.

CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 1239 **AUTHOR:** Garrick (R)
TITLE: Property Taxation: Exclusion from Newly Constructed
LAST AMEND: 06/01/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Revenue and Taxation Committee
SUMMARY:
Provides that an exclusion from newly constructed for property tax purposes applies to the construction or installation, or for any fire sprinkler system, other fire extinguishing system, or fire detection system, in a new building. Provides for this exclusion and related improvements to a building that the owner-builder does not plan to occupy. Provides that in a new, non-residential building, the improvements eligible for exclusion applies to systems not required by law.
CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 1256 **AUTHOR:** Caballero (D)
TITLE: Density Bonus: Exemption: Local Inclusionary Ordinance
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Local Government Committee
SUMMARY:
Exempts a city, county, or city and county from complying with the density bonus requirement, and the incentive and concession requirement related to low income housing development under the Planning and Zoning Law if the local government has in effect a local inclusionary ordinance, as specified, that meets certain requirements.
CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 1327 **AUTHOR:** Ma (D)
TITLE: Environment: Green Building
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
SUMMARY:
States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to develop a uniform definition for green building and to extend tax and planning incentives to developers to build green buildings.
CALBO Position: WATCH

AB 1560 **AUTHOR:** Huffman (D)
TITLE: Public Resources: Building Standards
LAST AMEND: 04/26/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 234
LOCATION: Senate Third Reading File
SUMMARY:
Requires the Energy Commission to prescribe water conservation design standards for new residential and new nonresidential buildings.
CALBO Position: WATCH

ACR 8 **AUTHOR:** Torrico (D)
TITLE: California Nonprofits and Philanthropy Week
ADOPTED: 03/13/2007
DISPOSITION: Adopted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 10
SUMMARY:
Designates the week of March 18 through March 24, 2007, as state Nonprofits and Philanthropy Week.
CALBO Position: **SUPPORT**

SB 2 **AUTHOR:** Cedillo (D)
TITLE: Local Planning
LAST AMEND: 07/02/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY:
Relates to the Planning and Zoning Law. Adds emergency shelters and rental multifamily residential development to the law. Adds provisions which a local government may identify a zone or zones where emergency shelters are allowed as a permitted use without a conditional use or other discretionary permit. Deletes multifamily residential use from these provisions. Adds and defines supportive housing, transitional housing and emergency shelters. Revises disapproval or conditional approval conditions.
CALBO Position: **WATCH**

SB 12 **AUTHOR:** Lowenthal (D)
TITLE: Planning and Zoning: SOCAL Association
LAST AMEND: 01/29/2007
ENACTED: 04/10/2007
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 5
SUMMARY:
Substantially revises the procedure for the Southern California Association of Governments, or delegate subregion, to develop a final allocation plan for distributing the existing and projected regional housing need to cities and counties within the region or subregion.
CALBO Position: **WATCH**

SB 38 **AUTHOR:** Battin (R)
TITLE: Disaster Relief
LAST AMEND: 07/12/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY:
Relates to state allocations with respect to property tax revenue reductions resulting from a reassessment for damages incurred within the County of Riverside, due to October 2006 wildfires, allowing a specified property tax exemption for any dwelling damaged or destroyed or temporarily inhabited due to restricted access as a result of those wildfires, and income and corporate tax loss claim deductions on the tax return for the preceding year for losses related to those wildfires.

CALBO Position: WATCH

SB 46 **AUTHOR:** Perata (D)
TITLE: Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act
LAST AMEND: 07/16/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY:
Makes technical, nonsubstantive changes to the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006 which authorizes bonds to finance various existing housing programs, capital outlay related to infill development, brownfield cleanup that promotes infill development, and housing-related parks. Establishes a competitive grant program for infill housing development and infrastructure needs. Requires the Pollution Control Financing Authority to allocate funds to infill projects. Requires a report.
CALBO Position: WATCH

SB 56 **AUTHOR:** Runner G (R)
TITLE: Highway Construction Contracts
LAST AMEND: 05/01/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY:
Declares the intent of the Legislation to authorize a demonstration program that would allow a careful examination of the benefits and challenges of using a design-build method of procurement for transportation projects. Authorizes certain state and local transportation entities to use a design-build process for contracting on transportation projects. Requires a transportation entity to implement a labor compliance program for design-build projects. Establishes a procedure for submitting bids.
CALBO Position: WATCH

SB 65 **AUTHOR:** Cedillo (D)
TITLE: Student Financial Aid: State Dream Act
LAST AMEND: 06/25/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Rules Committee
SUMMARY:
Enacts the state Dream Act to exempt a person who has attended and graduated from secondary school, rather than high school, in the state from playing nonresident tuition at the state community colleges and the California State University, if at least one year of that secondary attendance was at a high school. Includes graduates from technical and adult schools. Requires the establishment of procedures that enable such persons to apply for and participate in all specified student aid programs.
CALBO Position: WATCH

SB 416 **AUTHOR:** Ashburn (R)
TITLE: Design-Build: Counties
LAST AMEND: 07/12/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Second Reading File
SUMMARY:

Authorizes any county, with the approval of the board of supervisors, to enter into design-build contracts in accordance with specified provisions.

CALBO Position: WATCH

SB 429 **AUTHOR:** Ducheny (D)
TITLE: Land Use Controls
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires state agencies to notify the affected city or county of any type of environmental cleanup action. Authorizes a city or county to assess a property owner a reasonable fee to cover the costs of taking an action. Requires an owner of property to comply with the restrictions imposed by that land use control. Provides owners with an appeal process if they feel that they are adversely affected by clean up action.

CALBO Position: WATCH

SB 538 **AUTHOR:** Battin (R)
TITLE: Manufactured Housing
LAST AMEND: 07/12/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Third Reading File

SUMMARY:

Establishes a separate definition for the terms mobilehome and manufactured housing and makes conforming changes in related provisions of existing law. Adds a definition for multifamily manufactured home. Requires the permissible scope of work for the General Manufactured Housing Contractor (C-47) license classification set forth in specified state regulations to include those definitions for mobilehome, manufactured home, and multifamily manufactured home. Requires standards for commercial modulars.

CALBO Position: WATCH

SB 874 **AUTHOR:** Calderon R (D)
TITLE: Public Accommodations: Access
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Rules Committee

SUMMARY:

Declares the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to increase and enhance accessibility to places of public accommodation by persons with disabilities and to clarify the rights and remedies of persons and entities in connection with an action related to the accessibility of a place of public accommodation.

CALBO Position: WATCH

SB 934 **AUTHOR:** Lowenthal (D)
TITLE: Housing and Infrastructure Zones
LAST AMEND: 05/01/2007
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes a pilot project allowing for the formation of 100 housing and infrastructure zones in the state. Authorizes Economic Development and

Infrastructure Development Bank to finance the purchase, construction, expansion, improvement, seismic retrofit, or rehabilitation of real or other tangible property, including interchanges, ramps and bridges, material streets, parking facilities, transit facilities, sewage treatment and water reclamation plants and interceptor pipes.

CALBO Position: WATCH
