

2017 NEW ELECTION LAWS



**ORANGE COUNTY
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**

This page intentionally left blank.

**Chaptered, Vetoed & Dead
2015–2016 Legislative Session
Updated: 12/6/2016**

Chaptered Bills

1. AB 278, Hernandez. District-Based Municipal Elections. (CHAPTER 736)

[An act to amend Sections 34872, 34877, 34884, and 34886, and add Sections 34876.5 and 34877.5, to the Government Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill: Signed by Governor and chaptered on September 28, 2016.]

Current law authorizes the legislative body of a city to submit to voters at any municipal or special election an ordinance providing for the election of members of the legislative body by districts, from districts, by districts with an elective mayor, or from districts with an elective mayor. Current law also authorizes such an ordinance to be submitted to the voters by means of an initiative measure. This bill would delete the requirement that the ordinance describe the boundaries, and number, of each legislative district and would instead require the legislative body to prepare a proposed map describing the boundaries and numbers of the legislative districts after the ordinance is passed or enacted, as specified.

2. AB 283, Dababneh, Matthew. Financial Affairs. (CHAPTER 181)

[An act to amend Sections 53601.8 and 53635.8 of the Government Code, relating to local government. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on August 12, 2016.]

Extends the existing temporary authority for a local agency to invest its surplus funds, in certificates of deposit or in another form of investment, until January 1, 2021, and for that time period, would remove a limitation on the percentage of local agency funds that may be invested in certificates of deposit. On and after January 1, 2021, AB 283 indefinitely authorizes a local agency to invest surplus funds to investments in certificates of deposit, as specified. AB283 removes the limit on the percentage of local agency funds that may be invested by any one private sector entity, as specified.



3. AB 350, Alejo, Luis. District-based municipal elections: preapproval hearings. (CHAPTER 737)

[An act to amend Section 10010 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by the Governor and chaptered September 28, 2016.]

Requires a political subdivision that changes to, or establishes, district-based elections to hold public hearings before and after drawing a preliminary map or maps of the proposed district boundaries. AB 350 requires a prospective plaintiff under the CVRA to first send a written notice to the political subdivision against which the action would be brought indicating that the method of election used by the political subdivision may violate the CVRA. The political subdivision are permitted to take steps to correct the alleged violation before the prospective plaintiff commences litigation, and it would stay the prospective plaintiff's ability to file suit for a prescribed amount of time. Further, it will permit a prospective plaintiff who sent a written notice, as described, to recover from the political subdivision reasonable costs incurred in supporting the written notice.

4. AB 884, Rendon. Legislature: legislative information: public use. (CHAPTER 441)

[An act to add Section 10248.5 to, and to repeal Section 9026.5 of, the Government Code, relating to the Legislature, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately. Two Year Bill: Signed by Governor and chaptered by Secretary of State September 22, 2016.]

Repeals provisions that prohibits a television signal generated by the Assembly from being used for any political or commercial purpose, including, but not limited to, any campaign for elective public office or any campaign supporting or opposing a ballot proposition submitted to the electors.



5. AB 1494, Levine, Marc. Voting: marked ballots. (CHAPTER 813)

[An act to amend Section 14291 of, and to repeal Section 14276 of, the Elections Code, relating to voting. Signed by the Governor and chaptered September 29, 2016.]

Creates an exception to the prohibitions that would permit a voter to voluntarily disclose how he or she voted if that voluntary act does not violate any other law



6. AB 1921, Gonzalez, Lorena. Elections: vote by mail ballots. (CHAPTER 820)

[An act to amend Section 3017 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by the Governor and chaptered September 29, 2016.]

AB 1921 authorizes the designation of any person to return a vote by mail ballot. The bill would prohibit a person designated to return a vote by mail ballot from receiving any form of compensation, as defined, based on the number of ballots that the person has returned and would prohibit an individual, group, or organization from providing compensation on this basis. Any person in charge of a vote by mail ballot who knowingly and willingly engages in criminal acts related to that ballot is subject to the appropriate punishment pursuant to existing law. AB 1921 incorporates additional changes to Section 3017 of the Elections Code proposed by SB 450.



7. AB 1970, Low, Evan. Elections: vote by mail and provisional ballots. (CHAPTER 821)

[An act to add Sections 3026 and 14314 to the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on September 29, 2016.]

Added the statement to Elections Code Section 3026: The Secretary of State shall promulgate regulations establishing guidelines for county elections officials relating to the processing of vote by mail ballots. Added the statement to Elections Code Section 14314: The Secretary of State shall promulgate regulations establishing guidelines for county elections officials relating to the processing of provisional ballots.



8. AB 2010, Ridley-Thomas, Sebastian. Voter's pamphlet: electronic candidate statement. (CHAPTER 128)

[An act to amend Sections 13307, 13308, and 13312 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on August 17th, 2016.]

AB 2010 authorizes the governing body of a local agency to permit a candidate for nonpartisan elective office in the local agency to prepare a written statement for electronic distribution if the elections official who is conducting the election

permits electronic distribution of a candidate's statement. AB 2010 requires the statement to be posted on the Internet Web site of the elections official, permit the statement to be included in a voter's pamphlet that is electronically distributed, and prohibit the statement from being included in a voter's pamphlet that is printed and mailed to voters. AB 2010 requires the elections official to provide a Spanish translation to those candidates who wish to have one and also, the notice in the heading of the first page of the voter's pamphlet, in certain circumstances, to specify that additional statements are available on the Internet Web site of the elections official, and would delete the requirement that the notice appear in heavy-faced gothic type.



9. AB 2021, Ridley-Thomas, Sebastian. Election process: public observation: international election observers. (CHAPTER 822)

[An act to add Section 2301 to the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on September 29, 2016.]

Allows an international election observer, as defined, to be provided uniform and nondiscriminatory access to all stages of the election process that are open to the public. Further, AB 2021 would prohibit an international election observer from interfering with a voter in the preparation or casting of the voter's ballot, with a precinct board member of an elections official in the performance of his or her duties, or with the orderly conduct of an election.



10. AB 2071, Harper, Matthew. Vote by mail ballots. (CHAPTER 225)

[An act to amend Sections 3020 and 4103 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by Governor and chaptered on August 29, 2016.]

Current law provides that a vote by mail ballot is considered timely cast if it is received by the voter's election official via the United States Postal Service or a bona fide private mail delivery company no later than 3 days after election day if a specified requirement is met. Defines "bona fide private mail delivery company" for purposes of the above-described exception for ballots delivered after election day.

11. AB 2220, Cooper, Jim. Elections in cities: by or from district. (CHAPTER 751)

[An act to amend Section 34886 of the Government Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill: Signed by the Governor and chaptered on September 28, 2016.]

AB 2220 authorizes the legislative body of a city to adopt an ordinance that requires the members of the legislative body to be elected by district or by district with an elective mayor without being required to submit the ordinance to the voters for approval. AB 220 deletes the population limitation of a city with a population of fewer than 100,000 people to adopt an ordinance that requires the members of the legislative body to be elected by district or by district with an elective mayor without being required to submit the ordinance to the voters for approval.



12. AB 2252, Ting, Philip. Elections: remote accessible vote by mail systems. (CHAPTER 75)

[An act to amend Sections 301, 303.3, 362, 19271, 19280, 19281, 19283, 19284, 19285, 19286, 19287, 19288, 19290, 19291, 19292, 19293, 19294, and 19295 of, to amend the heading of

Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 19280) of Division 19 of, to add Section 305.5 to, and to repeal Section 19282 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by the Governor and chaptered July 22, 2016.]

Renames a "ballot marking system" as a "remote accessible vote by mail system." Defines a "remote accessible vote by mail system" as a mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic system and its software that is used for the sole purpose of marking an electronic vote by mail ballot remotely, outside a polling location, for a voter with disabilities or a military or overseas voter who would then be required to print the paper cast vote record to be submitted to the elections official.



13. AB 2265, Stone, Mark. County ballot measures: impartial analysis. (CHAPTER 104)

[An act to amend Section 9160 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by the Governor and chaptered July 25, 2016.]

Authorizes the county counsel to prepare a summary of the impartial analysis in a format that answers the questions "What does a yes vote mean?" and "What does a no vote mean?" for the measure. AB 2265 prohibits the summary from exceeding 75 words for each question and authorizes the summary information to be included in the voter information portion of the sample ballot.

14. AB 2318, Low, Evan. Nonprofit organizations: use of public resources. (CHAPTER 825)

[An act to amend Section 54964.5 of, to add Section 84222.5 to, and to repeal Section 54964.6 of, the Government Code, relating to nonprofit organizations. Signed by Governor and chaptered September 29, 2016.]

Current law prohibits a nonprofit organization or an officer, employee, or agent of a nonprofit organization from using, or permitting another to use, public resources received from a local agency for any campaign activity not authorized by law. Current law authorizes the Attorney General, any district attorney, or any city attorney of a city with a population over 750,000 to bring a civil action to recover a civil penalty against any person who intentionally or negligently violates that prohibition. AB 2318 clarifies that the prohibition applies to making contributions or expenditures not authorized by law, and specifies certain expenditures authorized by law that are not subject to the prohibition.



15. AB 2389, Ridley-Thomas, Sebastian. Special districts: district-based elections: reapportionment. (CHAPTER 754)

[An act to amend Section 10508 of, and add Part 5.5 (commencing with Section 10650) to Division 10 of, the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on September 28, 2016.]

Authorizes a governing body of a special district, as defined, to require, by resolution, that the members of its governing body be elected using district-based elections without being required to submit the resolution to the voters for approval. Requires the resolution to include a declaration that the change in the method of election is being made in furtherance of the purposes of the California Voting Rights Act of 2001.



16. AB 2455, Chiu, David. Voter registration: public postsecondary educational institutions: California New Motor Voter Program. (CHAPTER 417)

[An act to amend Section 2265 of, and to add Section 2147 to, the Elections Code, relating to voter registration. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on September 21, 2016.]

Requires the California State University and the California Community Colleges to implement a process and the infrastructure to allow a person who enrolls online at the institution to submit an affidavit of voter registration electronically on the Internet Web site of the Secretary of State by July 1, 2018. AB 2455 encourages the University of California to comply with this provision.



17. AB 2466, Weber, Shirley. Voting: felons. (CHAPTER 757)

[An act to amend Sections 2101, 2106, and 2212 of the Elections Code, relating to voting. Signed by Governor and chaptered on September 28, 2016.]

To determine who is entitled to registered to vote, AB 2466 defines imprisoned as currently serving a state or federal prison sentence and would define parole as a term of supervision by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. AB 2466 clarifies that conviction does not include a juvenile adjudication.

18. AB 2558, Steinorth, Marc. Political Reform Act of 1974: San Bernardino County. (CHAPTER 202)

[An act to amend Section 83123.5 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on August 26, 2016.]

Repeals the January 1, 2018, sunset date, authorizing the Fair Political Practices Commission, upon mutual agreement between the Commission and the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, to have primary responsibility for the impartial, effective administration, implementation, and enforcement of a local campaign finance reform ordinance of the County of San Bernardino, as specified. This extends the operation of these provisions indefinitely.

19. AB 2686, Mullin, Kevin. Elections: all-mailed ballot elections. (CHAPTER 764)

[An act to amend Section 4000.5 of, and to add Section 4001.5 to, the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by Governor and chaptered September 28, 2016.]

Existing law generally does not allow special elections to fill vacancies in state offices, the Legislature, or Congress to be conducted wholly by mail. Existing law authorizes, until January 1, 2021, San Diego County to conduct, as a pilot program, an all-mailed ballot special election or special consolidated election (1) to fill a congressional or legislative vacancy if the congressional or legislative district lies wholly within San Diego County, (2) to fill a vacancy in the legislative body or governing body, and (3) for certain local initiative and referendum measures. AB 2686 authorizes San Diego County to additionally conduct such an all-mailed ballot special election (1) to fill a congressional or legislative vacancy if the congressional or legislative district lies partially within San Diego County, and (2) for the recall of a local officer. It also authorizes, until January 1, 2021, any county to conduct, as a pilot program, an all-mailed ballot special election or special consolidated election to fill a congressional or legislative vacancy only if 50 percent or more of the total number of voters within the county

are permanent vote by mail voters and the county board of supervisors adopts a resolution approving the county's participation in the pilot program. AB 2686 imposes specific requirements for an all-mailed ballot special election or special consolidation election to be conducted under the pilot program. If a county conducts an all-mailed ballot special election or special consolidation election pursuant to these provisions, it is required that the county submit a report to the Legislature and the Secretary of State that includes certain information regarding the success of the election, including any statistics on the cost to conduct the election.

20. AB 2911, Committee on Elections and Redistricting. Voting: voter information guides. (CHAPTER 422)

[An act to amend Sections 303.5, 2052, 2053, 2155.3, 2157.2, 2223, 2224, 2300, 3007, 3019.5, 3021.5, 3022, 3023, 4101, 9050, 9054, 9067, 9068, 9069, 9081, 9082, 9082.5, 9082.7, 9083, 9083.5, 9084, 9085, 9086, 9087, 9088, 9089, 9090, 9092, 9093, 9094, 9094.5, 9095, 9096, 9160, 9162, 9163, 9280, 9282, 9285, 9286, 9312, 9313, 9314, 9315, 9316, 9402, 9501, 10531, 11324, 11325, 11327, 13118, 13244, 13263, 13300, 13300.5, 13300.7, 13302, 13303, 13305, 13306, 13307, 13307.5, 13312, 13314, 13315, 13316, 13317, 14219, 18301, 18390, 19202, 19321, 19323, and 20009 of, to amend the heading of Article 7 (commencing with Section 9080) of Chapter 1 of Division 9 of, and to amend the heading of Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 13300) of Division 13 of, the Elections Code, relating to voting. Signed by Governor and chaptered September 21, 2016.]

Previously there were numerous provisions related to voting that referred to ballot pamphlets, state ballot pamphlets, voter pamphlets, statewide voter pamphlets, and sample ballots. AB 2911 replaced these terms with state voter information guide, county voter information guide, and voter information guide, as appropriate, and make necessary conforming changes. AB 2911 removes the requirement that a voting system be submitted for federal qualification before September 1, 2013, and would change the date by which the voting system is required to receive federal qualification to April 28, 2016, in order for a vendor or county to request the Secretary of State to approve a voting system using the examination and review requirements in place before January 1, 2014. Additional changes to Sections 13307 and 13312 of the Elections Code, proposed by AB 2010, that become operative only if AB 2911 and AB 2010 are both chaptered and AB 2911 is chaptered last.

21. SB 254, Allen, Ben. Campaign finance: voter instruction. (CHAPTER 20)

[An act to submit to the voters a voter instruction relating to campaign finance, calling an election, to take effect immediately. Chaptered without Governor's signature on June 9, 2016.]

Required the SOS to submit to the voters at the November 8, 2016, consolidated election a voter instruction asking whether California's elected officials should use all of their constitutional authority, including proposing and ratifying one or more amendments to the United States Constitution, to overturn Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission (2010) 558 U.S. 310, and other applicable judicial precedents, as specified. Required the SOS to communicate the results of this election to the Congress of the United States. Required the Secretary of State, if prohibited by court order from submitting the voter instruction to the voters at the November 8, 2016, statewide general election, as specified, to submit the voter instruction to the voters at the next occurring election.



22. SB 450, Allen and Hertzberg. Elections: All-Mailed Ballot Elections. (CHAPTER 832)

[An act to amend Sections 3017 and 15320 of, to add Sections 4005, 4006, and 4007 to, and to add and repeal Section 4008 of, the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill: Signed by the Governor and chaptered September 29, 2016.]

The California Voter's Choice Act, would, on or after January 1, 2018, authorize specified counties, and on or after January 1, 2020, authorize any county except the County of Los Angeles, to conduct any election as an all-mailed ballot election if certain conditions are satisfied, including conditions related to ballot dropoff locations, vote centers, and plans for the administration of all-mailed ballot elections. The bill would require the Secretary of State, within 6 months of each all-mailed ballot election conducted by a county pursuant to these provisions, to report certain information to the Legislature regarding that election. The bill would require the county that conducted the all-mailed ballot election to submit to the Secretary of State the information needed for the Secretary of State to prepare the report.



23. SB 826, Leno, Mark. Budget Act of 2016. (CHAPTER 23)

[An act making appropriations for the support of the government of the State of California and for several public purposes in accordance with the provisions of Section 12 of Article IV of the Constitution of the State of California, relating to the state budget, to take effect immediately, budget bill. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on June 27, 2016.]

SB 826 authorized the funding for State of California services. Of particular interest was the funding provided to carry out the Help America Vote Act to support the elections process. This included funding for state and local sample ballot pamphlet preparation, printing, and mailing. Funding also included support for the VoteCal database until it is fully implemented.

24. SB 927, Anderson, Joel. Public Utility District Act: election of directors (CHAPTER 168)

[An act to add Section 15961.6 to the Public Utilities Code, relating to the Public Utility District Act, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on August 22, 2016.]

The Public Utility District Act provides for the manner of electing members of the board of directors of a district and generally specifies that, where a district formed and operated pursuant to the act is situated entirely in one county, the directors of the district are elected at large. The act permits directors of any district that is wholly or partially within the County of Placer to be elected at large, by wards, or from wards, as defined. This bill would permit directors of any district that is wholly or partially within the County of San Diego to be elected at large or by subdistricts, as defined.

25. SB 958, Lara, Ricardo. County of Los Angeles Citizens Redistricting Commission. (CHAPTER 781)

[An act to add Chapter 6.3 (commencing with Section 21530) to Division 21 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on September, 28, 2016.]

Establishes the Citizens Redistricting Commission in the County of Los Angeles, charged with adjusting the boundary lines of the districts of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles. The commission will consist of 14

members who meet specified qualifications. Requires the commission to adjust the boundaries of the supervisorial districts in accordance with specified criteria and adopt a redistricting plan, which would become effective 30 days following its submission to the county elections official.

26. SB 1107, Allen, Ben. Political Reform Act of 1974 (CHAPTER 837)

[An act to amend Section 85300 of, and to add Section 89519.5 to, the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974. Signed by the Governor and chaptered September 29, 2016.]

Prohibits an officeholder who is convicted of one of felonies involving bribery, embezzlement of public money, extortion or theft of public money, perjury, or conspiracy from using funds held by that officeholder's candidate controlled committee for purposes other than certain purposes permitted for the use of surplus campaign funds. SB 1107 also requires the officeholder to forfeit any remaining funds held 6 months after the conviction became final, and it would direct those funds to be deposited in the General Fund.



27. SB 1108, Allen, Ben. Elections: state and local reapportionment. (CHAPTER 784)

[An act to add Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 23000) to Division 21 of, and to repeal Sections 21505 and 21605 of, the Elections Code, relating to elections. Signed by Governor and chaptered September 28, 2016.]

Previously, a county board of supervisors appointed a committee, composed of county residents, to study the matter of changing the boundaries of its supervisorial districts. This committee reported its findings to the board of supervisors, as specified, and the recommendations of the committee were advisory only. Similarly city councils also appointed a committee, composed of city residents, to study the matter of changing the boundaries of its council districts, directs a committee so created to report its findings to the city council, and their recommendations of the committee are advisory only.

SB 1108 deletes those provisions and instead authorizes a county or general law city to establish a commission, composed of residents of the county or city, to either change the boundaries of the districts or recommend to the governing body changes to the boundaries of the districts. SB 1108 also requires an advisory commission that recommends changes to district boundaries to report to the governing body its findings on the need for changes to the boundaries. For a commission empowered to change district boundaries, SB 1108 would prohibit the appointment of a person or family member, as defined, of a person who engaged in specified activities during the preceding 8 years, and it would also prohibit commission members from engaging in specified activities while serving and for a specified period of time after serving.



28. SB 1349, Hertzberg, Bob. Political Reform Act of 1974: Secretary of State: online filing and disclosure system. (CHAPTER 845)

[Political Reform Act of 1974: Secretary of State: online filing and disclosure system. Signed by the Governor and chaptered on September 29, 2016.]

The Online Disclosure Act, requires the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Fair Political Practices Commission, to develop online and electronic filing processes for use by these persons and entities. This bill, in addition, would require the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Commission, to develop

and certify for public use an online filing and disclosure system for campaign statements and reports that provides public disclosure of campaign finance and lobbying information in a user-friendly, easily understandable format.

Vetoed Bills

AB 1200, Gordon. Political Reform Act of 1974: Lobbying: Procurement Contracts

[An act to amend Sections 82002 and 82039 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974. Two Year Bill: Vetoed by Governor on May 13, 2016.]

Would revise the Political Reform Act of 1974 definition of "lobbyist" to include specified conduct by an individual acting on behalf of any person other than his or her employer for the purpose of influencing administrative action that is governmental procurement, which is further defined to include various actions regarding a state procurement contract for which the total estimated cost exceeds \$250,000, thereby making the above-described lobbying requirements applicable to the specified attempts to influence governmental procurement. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.



AB 2089, Quirk, Bill. Vote by mail ballots: voter notification.

[Vote by mail ballots: voter notification. Vetoed by the Governor on September 29, 2016.]

Current law requires a county elections official to establish a free access system that allows a vote by mail voter to learn if his or her vote by mail ballot was counted, and, if not, the reason why the ballot was not counted. Current law requires the elections official to make the free access system available to a vote by mail voter upon completion of the official canvass and for 30 days after completion of the official canvass. If a voter casts a vote by mail ballot, this bill would additionally require a county elections official, within 30 days after completion of the official canvass, to notify the voter if the ballot was not counted, including the reason it was not counted. By imposing an additional duty on local elections officials, the bill would create a state-mandated local program.

SB 49, Runner. Elections: Special Elections

[An act to amend Section 10705 of the Elections Code, relating to elections, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately. Two Year Bill: Vetoed by Governor on July 25th, 2016.]

Would authorize the Governor to declare a candidate for a legislative office elected if only one candidate for the legislative office qualifies to have his or her name printed on the special primary election ballot, and would cancel the special primary election and special general election if the Governor declares such a candidate elected. The bill would also require the Governor to rescind the proclamation calling for the special election if a special primary election or a special general election is canceled because a candidate has been declared elected, as specified.



SB 1094, Hernandez, Ed. Initiatives: petition circulators.

[An act to amend Sections 9008, 9030, and 9031 of, and to add Sections 9009.5, 9009.6, 9009.7, 9022.5, 9036, and 9037 to, the Elections Code, relating to elections. Vetoed by Governor on September 29, 2016.]

The California Constitution and existing statutory law provide for the electors to propose statutes or amendments to the Constitution by initiative. Existing law authorizes a person who is a voter or who is qualified to register to vote in

California to circulate an initiative or referendum petition anywhere within the state. Existing law requires that each section of a petition for an initiative or referendum measure have attached thereto the declaration of the person soliciting the signatures that includes specified information.

This bill would require a person who solicits signatures for a proposed initiative measure and does not receive money or other valuable consideration for the specific purpose of soliciting signatures of electors to make additional declarations, as specified.

SB 1288, Leno, Mark. Elections: local voting methods.

[An act to amend Sections 5013, 5020, 5027, and 5028 of, and to add Sections 1018, 1019, 1020, 5010, 5032, and 5096 to, the Education Code, to amend and renumber Sections 22000 and 22001 of, to add Sections 8141.3 and 10005 to, and to add Division 22 (commencing with Section 22000) to, the Elections Code, to amend Sections 25040, 25041, and 25061 of, to add Section 25001 to, and to add Article 4 (commencing with Section 34910) to Chapter 4 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 4 of, the Government Code, relating to elections. Vetoed by Governor on September 29, 2016.]

Current law prescribes which candidates appear on the ballot in the ensuing general election if no candidate has been elected pursuant to this provision, or if the number of candidates elected at the primary election is less than the total number to be elected to that office. Under current law, these provisions do not apply to elections to fill certain enumerated offices. This bill would apply these provisions , upon approval by a jurisdiction's voters, to the nomination of officers for any jurisdiction not formed for municipal purposes, officers for general law cities, and school district officers, except as specified.

Dead Bills



AB 245, Lackey. Elections: Penal Provisions

[An act to amend Sections 18544 and 18545 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law prohibits a person in possession of a firearm, uniformed peace officer, private guard, or security personnel from being stationed or posted at a polling place without written authorization of the appropriate elections official. Violation of this provision is punishable by a fine not exceeding \$10,000, imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months or 2 or 3 years, or in a county jail for not more than one year, or by both fine and imprisonment. This bill would increase the maximum fine for those offenses to \$16,000 and require that the fine amount be adjusted annually by any annual increase in the California Consumer Price Index.

AB 372, Bigelow. Elections: Write-In Candidates

[An act to amend Section 8604 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Requires write-in candidates who advance to the general election for a voter-nominated office to pay the filing fee in order to appear on the general election ballot. Permits a candidate who alleges to be indigent and unable to pay the requisite fee to submit a statement of financial worth to the Secretary of State for consideration. Requires a candidate found not to be indigent to pay the filing fee within a prescribed time. Specifies that a candidate found to be indigent is not required to pay the fee to appear on the ballot.

AB 391, Gallagher. Voter Registration: Conditional Voter Registration

[An act to amend Section 2170 of, and to add Section 2170.5 to, the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Would require that a registrant provide proof of residence, as specified, in order for a conditional voter registration to be deemed effective. If a conditional voter registration is not deemed effective, the bill would require the elections official to process the affidavit of registration, as specified, and if all other eligibility requirements are met, would require the registration to be effective in forthcoming elections. By imposing additional duties on county election officials, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 479, Harper. Elections: County Central Committees

[An act to amend Section 7670 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law authorizes a county central committee to be elected in each county at every presidential primary election. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to this provision.

AB 535, Grove. Elections: County Central Committees

[An act to amend Section 9051 of the Elections Code, relating to initiative measures. Two Year Bill.]

Current law requires the Attorney General to provide a ballot label and a ballot

title for each measure to be submitted to the voters at a statewide election. Current law requires the Attorney General to prepare a summary of the chief purposes and points of each statewide ballot measure as part of the ballot title. This bill would impose specified requirements with respect to the content of the ballot title and summary required to be prepared by the Attorney General.

AB 609, Cristina Garcia. Members of the Legislature: Residency

[An act to add Section 8020.5 to the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Would permit a candidate for Member of the Legislature to file a statement with the Secretary of State in which the candidate voluntarily agrees that, if elected, he or she will continue to reside within the district from which he or she was elected during his or her term of office. The bill would authorize the Secretary of State to post on his or her Internet Web site voluntary statements of continuing residency filed with the secretary, as described.

AB 700, Gomez, Jimmy. Political Reform Act of 1974: campaign disclosures.

[An act to amend Sectionsbegin insert 82025,end insert 84305, 84310, 84501, 84505, 84506.5, 84511, and 85704 of, to add Sections 84504.1, 84504.2, and 84504.3 to, to repeal Sections 84506, 84507, and 84508 of, and to repeal and add Sections 84502, 84503, 84504, and 84509 of, the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974.]

The Political Reform Act of 1974 requires a committee that supports or opposes ballot measures to name and identify itself using a name or phrase that clearly identifies the economic or other special interests of its major donors of \$50,000 or more. The act also requires that if the major donors share a common employer, the identity of the employer be disclosed. This bill would repeal these provisions. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

AB 800, Gomez. Elections: Vote By Mail Ballots

[An act to amend Section 3010 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law requires an elections official to deliver to each qualified applicant the vote by mail ballot for the precinct in which the applicant resides and all supplies necessary for the use and return of the ballot. This bill would require the elections official to also deliver to each qualified applicant a return envelope with postage prepaid in which a vote by mail voter may return his or her ballot if the ballot is to be mailed within the territorial limits of the United States or the District of Columbia. By imposing additional duties on local elections officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

AB 834, Salas. Political Reform Act of 1974: Advertisements

[An act to add Section 89002 to the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974. Two Year Bill.]

Current law requires an elections official to deliver to each qualified applicant the vote by mail ballot for the precinct in which the applicant resides and all supplies necessary for the use and return of the ballot. This bill would require the elections official to also deliver to each qualified applicant a return envelope with postage prepaid in which a vote by mail voter may return his or her ballot if the ballot is to be mailed within the territorial limits of the United States or the District of Columbia. By imposing additional duties on local elections officials, this bill

would impose a state-mandated local program.



AB 887, Ting. Military and overseas voters: ballot submission by electronic mail: Internet voting.

[An act to amend Sections 3104 and 3105 of, and to add Sections 3106.2 and 3106.5 to, the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Would permit a military or overseas voter to return his or her ballot by electronic mail, as prescribed. The bill would require the ballot to be accompanied by a copy of an identification envelope and an oath of voter declaration in substantially the form described with respect to facsimile transmission of ballots. This bill would require the elections official to determine the voter's eligibility to vote by comparing the signature on the scanned copy of the identification envelope with the signature on the voter's affidavit of registration. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 910, Harper. Political Reform Act of 1974: Local Enforcement

[An act to add and repeal Section 83123.7 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974. Two Year Bill.]

Current law authorizes the Fair Political Practices Commission, upon mutual agreement between the Commission and the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, to have primary responsibility for the impartial, effective administration, implementation, and enforcement of a local campaign finance reform ordinance of the County of San Bernardino, as specified. This bill would authorize the Commission and the governing body of any city, county, or city and county, to also enter into such an agreement, as specified, if the governing body of the city, county, or city and county, or a majority of voters, approves the agreement.

AB 971, Chang. Payment of Expenses

[An act to amend Section 13001 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law requires all expenses authorized and necessarily incurred to prepare for and conduct an election to be paid from the county treasuries, except as otherwise provided. This bill would require expenses authorized and necessarily incurred to prepare for and conduct certain vacancy elections to be paid by the state, as specified.

AB 1026, Eduardo Garcia. Secretary of State: Elections: Voter Turnout

[An act to add and repeal Section 12173.5 of the Government Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Would require the Secretary of State to meet with local registrars of voters, community groups, and other persons as determined by the Secretary of State to develop strategies for improving California's voter turnout. The bill would require the Secretary of State to present findings to specified committees of the Legislature no later than July 1, 2016. The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2017.



AB 1143, Hadley. Elections: Voter Registration Agencies

[An act to add Section 2403.5 to the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

The federal National Voter Registration Act of 1993 requires each state to designate as voter registration agencies all offices in the state that provide public assistance or that provide state-funded programs primarily engaged in providing services to persons with disabilities. Existing state law implements the provisions of the federal act and defines voter registration agency to include a department, division, or office of state or local government, or a program supported by state funds, that is designated as a voter registration agency by executive order of the Governor or pursuant to the federal act. In Executive Order W-98-94, this state designated the Franchise Tax Board, among other agencies, as a voter registration agency. Existing law requires voter registration agencies to provide a voter registration card to an applicant for service or assistance, and with each recertification, renewal or change of address form relating to the service or assistance, among other requirements. This bill would require the Franchise Tax Board to also notify an individual taxpayer whose annual income tax return indicates a change of address from the prior year that he or she may register to vote or update his or her voter registration information through an online voter registration system.

AB 1190, Cooley. Public Employees: Retirement: Elections

[An act to amend Section 20096 of the Government Code, relating to retirement. Two Year Bill.]

Current law vests the management and control of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) in the Board of Administration of the PERS. Existing law provides that the membership of the board includes 6 members elected under the supervision of the board. Existing law requires the board to distribute ballots to each member of the retirement system in advance of each election, the results of which are required to be certified by the Secretary of State. This bill would additionally authorize an entity designated by the Secretary of the State to provide that mandatory certification of election results.

AB 1263, Mullin. Election Day Procedures: Privileges of Voters

[An act to amend Section 14000 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law allows a voter, without loss of pay, to take off enough working time that, when added to the voting time available outside of working hours, will enable the voter to vote if he or she does not have sufficient time outside of working hours to vote at a statewide election. Current law provides that no more than 2 hours of the time taken off for voting shall be without loss of pay. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

AB 1271, Grove. Elections: Vote By Mail Ballots

[An act to amend Sections 3020 and 4103 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Would provide that a vote by mail ballot is timely cast if it is received by the voter's elections official via the United States Postal Service no later than 3 days after election day and the ballot is postmarked on or before election day. The bill would also provide that a vote by mail ballot cast by a military or overseas voter is timely cast if it is received by the voter's elections official no later than 3 days after election day and the ballot is postmarked by a certified foreign postal service on or before election day.

AB 1273, Linder. Election: Fraud

[An act to amend Section 18500 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

A provision of current law makes it a crime for a person to commit or aid in fraud regarding the casting of a ballot in an election. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

AB 1296, Jones. Elections: Initiative and Referendum Measures

[An act to amend Sections 9114, 9115, 9211, and 9308 of, and to repeal Section 9309 of, the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law authorizes any person who meets specified requirements to circulate an initiative petition to be presented to the voters at a municipal, county, or special district election. Current law requires the elections official to examine the petitions, and from the records of registration ascertain whether or not the petition is signed by the requisite number of voters. If the petition is found sufficient, the elections official is required to certify the results of the examination to the appropriate legislative body. This bill would additionally require the elections official to immediately place the initiative measure on the election ballot for which it qualifies if the official finds the petition to be sufficient.

AB 1414, Grove. Voter Registration: Requirements

[An act to amend Section 2157 of the Elections Code, relating to voter registration. Two Year Bill.]

Current law sets forth the procedures for registering to vote and processing voter registration information and requires the Secretary of State to adopt regulations that prescribe the form of the voter's affidavit of registration. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to these provisions.

AB 1457, Obernolte. Petition Circulator: Certification: Use of Signatures

[An act to amend Section 9610 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law requires the person, company official, or other organizational officer who is in charge of signature gathering for a proposed initiative measure to keep the certification on file for not less than eight months after the certification of the results of the election for which the measure qualified, or if the measure, for any reason, is not submitted to the voters, eight months after the deadline for submission of the petition to the elections official. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to these provisions.

AB 1458, Obernolte. Voters: Residency Confirmation

[An act to amend Section 2227 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Provisions of current law require the county elections official to send a forwardable notice, as specified, to a registered voter to enable the voter to verify or correct address information, and provide for the county elections official to take appropriate actions based on the voter's response, as specified. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to those provisions.

AB 1477, Burke. Elections: Vote By Mail Ballots

[An act to amend Section 3001 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law requires that the vote by mail ballot be available to any registered voter and requires an application for a vote by mail voter's ballot to be made in writing to the elections official having jurisdiction over the election between the 29th and the 7th day before the election. Current law requires any applications received by the elections official before the 29th day to be kept and processed during the application period. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to this provision.

AB 1799, Mayes, Chad. Common interest developments: association governance: elections.

[An act to amend Sections 5100, 5105, and 5145 of the Civil Code, relating to common interest developments.]

The Davis-Stirling Common Interest Development Act requires a common interest development to be managed by an association, requires the association to select one or 3 independent 3rd parties as an inspector or inspectors of elections, and generally requires the association's elections regarding assessments legally requiring a vote, the election and removal of directors, amendments to the governing documents, or the grant of exclusive use of common area, to be conducted by the inspector or inspectors of elections in accordance with specified rules and procedures. This bill would except from those election requirements an election of directors if the election is uncontested, as defined, and would provide a procedure for an election to be declared as uncontested.

AB 2045, Harper, Matthew. Initiative petitions.

[An act to amend Section 9030 of the Elections Code, relating to initiatives.]

Current law requires each section of a petition for a proposed statute or constitutional amendment to be filed with the elections official of the county or city and county in which the petition was circulated and requires the elections officials to determine the total number of signatures affixed to the petition and transmit that information to the Secretary of State. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to the latter provision.

AB 2065, Harper, Matthew. Voter registration: California New Motor Voter Program.

[An act to amend Sections 2263 and 2265 of the Elections Code, relating to elections.]

Changes the California New Motor Voter Program (CNMVP) from an opt-out to an opt-in program and provides that a person may be registered to vote under the program only if the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has a record of being provided a document that proves that the person is a citizen. Specifically, this bill:

1) Requires the DMV to electronically provide to the Secretary of State (SOS) records of each person who submits an application for a driver's license or state identification card, or a change of address, if the proof that the person is required to submit to prove that his or her presence in the United States is authorized under federal law also establishes that the person is a citizen of the United States, instead of requiring the DMV to electronically provide to the SOS records of each person who submits an application for a driver's license or state

identification card, or a change of address, and who attests that he or she meets all voter eligibility requirements, as specified.

2) Requires each person who submits an application for a driver's license or state identification card, or change of address, to affirmatively agree to become registered to vote during that transaction, instead of providing that a person will be registered to vote unless that person opts-out.

AB 2067, Harper, Matthew. Voter registration: California New Motor Voter Program.

[An act to amend Section 2263 of the Elections Code, relating to elections.]

This bill requires the DMV to electronically provide to the Secretary of State (SOS) records of each person who submits an application for a driver's license or state identification card, or a change of address, if the proof that the person is required to submit to prove that his or her presence in the United States is authorized under federal law also establishes that the person is a citizen of the United States, instead of requiring the DMV to electronically provide to the SOS records of each person who submits an application for a driver's license or state identification card, or a change of address, and who attests that he or she meets all voter eligibility requirements.

AB 2070, Harper, Matthew. Political Reform Act of 1974: local enforcement.

[An act to add Section 83123.7 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.]

Current law authorizes the Fair Political Practices Commission, upon mutual agreement between the Commission and the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, to have primary responsibility for the impartial, effective administration, implementation, and enforcement of a local campaign finance reform ordinance of the County of San Bernardino, as specified. This bill would authorize the Commission and the Board of Supervisors of the County of Orange to also enter into such an agreement, as specified.

AB 2152, Gray, Adam. Elections: ballots: ballot order.

[An act to amend, repeal, and add Section 13109 of the Elections Code, relating to elections, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.]

Would, for the November 8, 2016, statewide general election only, authorize a county board of supervisors to direct the county elections official to place a local measure related to local transportation finance above state measures.

AB 2250, Ridley-Thomas, Sebastian. Political Reform Act of 1974: contribution limitations.

[An act to amend Section 85320 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.]

The Political Reform Act of 1974 prohibits a foreign government or principal, as defined, from making a contribution or expenditure in connection with a ballot measure and also prohibits a person or committee from soliciting or accepting a contribution from a foreign government or principal for this purpose. This bill

would expand the scope of these prohibitions by also prohibiting a foreign government or principal from making a contribution or expenditure, and a person or committee from soliciting or accepting this type of contribution, in connection with an election.

AB 2284, Patterson, Jim. Special elections to fill vacancies

[An act to add Section 10708 to the Elections Code, and to amend Sections 89510 and 89519 of the Government Code, relating to elections.]

Would prohibit a State Senator or Member of the Assembly who decides to resign from office before the expiration of his or her term from subsequently using campaign funds held in trust for any purpose other than paying outstanding campaign debts or reasonable expenses. The bill would amend the list of specified purposes allowable for the use of surplus campaign funds to include the payment of expenses to hold a special election to fill the vacancy created by the Member's resignation and would require the former Member to pay from his or her surplus campaign funds such election-related expenses, to the extent he or she has funds available to do so.



AB 2433, Allen, Travis. Voter registration database: Electronic Registration Information Center.

[An act to add Section 2195 to the Elections Code, relating to voter registration.]

Would authorize the Secretary of State to apply for membership with the Electronic Registration Information Center and, if that application is approved, authorize the Secretary of State to execute a membership agreement with the Electronic Registration Information Center on behalf of the state. The bill would require the secretary to ensure that any confidential information or data provided by another state remains confidential while in his or her possession, and would authorize the secretary to transmit confidential information or data pursuant to that agreement. The bill would also authorize the Secretary of State to adopt regulations necessary to implement these provisions.



AB 2517, Thurmond, Tony. Voting age: school district governing board elections

[An act to amend Sections 2000 and 2101 of the Elections Code, relating to elections.]

Would authorize a city or city and county to propose an amendment to its charter that would allow a person who is at least 16 years of age at the time of the next election to vote in a school district governing board election, as specified, in which he or she would be qualified to vote based on residence. The bill would, in the event that a city or city and county amends its charter as described, authorize a person who is at least 16 years of age at the time of the next election, and who is otherwise qualified, to register to vote for the limited purpose of voting in a school district governing board election.

AB 2523, Mullin, Kevin. Local elective offices: contribution limitations.

[An act to amend and repeal Sections 35177 and 72029 of the Education Code, to amend and repeal Sections 10003, 10202, and 10544 of the Elections Code, and to amend Section 85301 of, to amend, repeal, and add Sections 85305, 85306, 85307, 85315, 85316, 85317, and 85318 of, and to add Section 85702.5 to, the Government Code, relating to elections.]

The Political Reform Act of 1974 prohibits a person, other than a small contributor committee or political party committee, from making to a candidate for elective state office, for statewide elective office, or for office of the Governor, and prohibits those candidates from accepting from a person, a contribution totaling more than a specified amount per election. For a candidate for elective state office other than a candidate for statewide elective office, the limitation on contributions is \$3,000 per election, as that amount is adjusted by the Fair Political Practices Commission in January of every odd-numbered year. This bill, commencing January 1, 2018, instead would prohibit a person from making to a candidate for local elective office, and would prohibit a candidate for local elective office from accepting from a person, a contribution totaling more than the amount set forth in the act for limitations on contributions to a candidate for elective state office. This bill would also authorize a county, city, special district, or school district to impose a limitation that is different from the limitation imposed by this bill. This bill would repeal the authorization for the governing board of a school district or of a community college district to limit campaign expenditures in elections to district offices. This bill would make specified provisions of the act relating to contribution limitations applicable to a candidate for a local elective office, except as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 2824, Thurmond, Tony. Elections: precinct reports

[An act to amend Section 15372 of, and to add Sections 15151.5, 19204.7, and 19216.5 to, the Elections Code, relating to elections.]

This bill would require a county with the technical capacity to do so to post the information contained in the statement of the results, as well as other available election data, on its Internet Web site beginning on election night and continuing as specified until the election results are certified.

ACA 2, Mullin, Kevin. Elections: Voting Age

[A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by amending Section 2 of Article II thereof, relating to elections. Two Year Bill:]

Would allow a US citizen who is 17 years of age, a resident of the state, and will be 18 years of age before the next general election to vote in any intervening primary or special election.

ACA 7, Gonzalez, Lorena. Voting age: school and community college district governing board elections.

[Assembly Constitutional Amendment No. 7—A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by amending Section 2 of Article II thereof, relating to elections. Two Year Bill: Dead]

The California Constitution authorizes a United States citizen at least 18 years of age and a resident of the State to vote. This measure, in addition, would authorize a person who is at least 16 years of age and a resident of the state to vote in a school or community college district governing board election in which that person would be qualified to vote based on residence.

ACR 145, Olsen, Kristin. Presidential primary elections: advisory ballots.

[Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 145—Relative to presidential primary elections.]

Would urge the Secretary of State to exercise his or her authority to establish a new advisory voting process that would allow specified voters to cast an advisory ballot in the presidential primary election, as specified. This measure would encourage each political party that participates in the presidential primary election to consider the results of the advisory ballots in selecting the party's nominee for the office of President of the United States.

SB 129, Anderson. Online Voter Registration

[An act to amend Section 2196 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Under current law, operative when the Secretary of State certifies that the state has a statewide voter registration database that complies with the requirements of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 or executes a declaration stating that certain conditions have occurred, a person who is qualified to register to vote and who has a valid California driver's license or state identification card is authorized to submit an affidavit of voter registration electronically on the Internet Web site of the Secretary of State. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

SB 169, Gaines. Elections: Polling Places

[An act to amend Section 12288 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law requires an elections official to divide a jurisdiction into precincts and publish, not less than 1 week before the election, the list of the polling places designated for each election precinct. Current law prohibits a place where the primary purpose of the establishment is the sale and dispensation of alcoholic beverages from being used as a polling place. This bill will make technical, nonsubstantive changes to the latter provision.

SB 283, Nielsen. Elections: Ballot Titles and Summaries

[An act to amend Sections 9050, 9051, 9053, 9086, 9087, 13262, 13282, and 18602 of the Elections Code, and to amend Section 88002 of the Government Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Would require the Legislative Analyst to prepare the ballot label and ballot title and summary for measures submitted to the voters of the state instead of the Attorney General.

SB 310, Anderson. The Political Reform Act of 1974

[An act to amend Section 81001 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974. Two Year Bill.]

Current law, the Political Reform Act of 1974, provides for the comprehensive regulation of campaign financing. Current law sets forth findings and declarations supporting the necessity of campaign finance regulation. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to that provision.

SB 437, Block, Marty. California Voting Rights Act of 2001.

[An act to relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

The California Voting Rights Act of 2001 (CVRA) prohibits the use of an at-large election in a political subdivision if it would impair the ability of a protected class,

as defined, to elect candidates of its choice or otherwise influence the outcome of an election. The CVRA provides that a violation of the act is established if it is shown that racially polarized voting, as defined, has occurred, and requires that the occurrence of racially polarized voting be determined from examining the results of elections in which at least one candidate is a member of a protected class or elections involving ballot measures or other electoral choices that affect the rights and privileges of members of a protected class. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that ensures that elections held in California comply with the requirements of the act.

SB 611, Lara. Initiative and Referendum Petitions: Circulation Requirements

[An act to amend Section 9021 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law authorizes a person who is a registered voter or who is qualified to register to vote in this state to circulate an initiative or referendum petition anywhere within the state. Current law requires that each section of an initiative or referendum petition bear the name of a county or city and county, and allows only qualified registered voters of that county or city and county to sign that section of the petition. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

SB 784, Allen. Provisional Ballots

[An act to amend Section 14217 of the Elections Code, relating to elections. Two Year Bill.]

Current law provides that a voter is entitled to cast a provisional ballot if his or her qualification or entitlement to vote cannot be immediately established. If a precinct board is unable to find a voter's name on the index of registration on the day of an election, current law requires the precinct board to inform the voter that he or she may cast a provisional ballot and, if the voter elects to do so, furnish the voter with the provisional ballot. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to those provisions.

SB 921, Anderson, Joel. An act to amend Section 84211 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974.

[An act to amend Section 84211 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974.]

The Political Reform Act of 1974 generally requires elected officials, candidates for elective office, and committees formed primarily to support or oppose a candidate for public office or a ballot measure, along with other entities, to file periodic campaign statements. The act requires that these campaign statements contain prescribed information related to campaign contributions and expenditures of the filing entities. This bill would correct an erroneous cross-reference in these provisions and would make other technical, nonsubstantive changes.



SB 928, Liu, Carol. Homeless individuals: voter registration, driver's licenses, and identification cards.

[An act to amend Section 2138 of the Elections Code, and to add Sections 12811.2 and 13005.1 to the Vehicle Code, relating to homeless individuals.]

Current law requires a county elections official to, among other things, provide

certain voter registration cards in sufficient quantities to any individuals or organizations that wish to distribute the cards, except as specified. Existing law requires the individuals and organizations distributing those voter registration cards who receive completed voter registration cards to return the completed cards to the county elections official or deposit those cards in the postal service within 3 days of receipt from a voter. This bill would require a homeless shelter that registers a person to vote to keep a record of the person it has registered to vote, including certain information about the person, and to transmit that information to certain government entities at least once per year

SB 976, Vidal, Andy. Political Reform Act of 1974: postgovernment employment.

[An act to amend Section 87406 of the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974begin insert,end insert and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.]

The Milton Marks Postgovernment Employment Restrictions Act of 1990 prohibits a Member of the Legislature, for a period of one year after leaving office, from acting as a compensated agent or attorney for, or otherwise representing, any other person by making appearances before or communications with the Legislature or its committees, present Members, or officers or employees, if the appearance or communication is made for the purpose of influencing legislative action. This bill would extend the time period for these prohibitions for a Member of the Legislature who resigns from office to 2 years commencing with the effective date of the resignation.

SB 1251, Moorlach, John. Publication of state financial obligations: Internet Web site and ballot pamphlet

[An act to amend Section 9084 of the Elections Code, and to amend Section 88001 of, and to add Chapter 5.3 (commencing with Section 8347) to Division 1 of Title 2 of, the Government Code, relating to state government.]

Would establish the California Financial Transparency Act of 2016 and would require the Legislative Analyst to create and maintain a dedicated Internet Web page that is hyperlinked to the homepage of the Internet Web site of the Legislative Analyst's Office that lists specific state financial obligations. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 1467, Bates, Patricia. Political Reform Act of 1974: campaign prohibitions.

[An act to add Section 84311 to the Government Code, relating to the Political Reform Act of 1974.]

The Political Reform Act of 1974 provides for the comprehensive regulation of campaign financing, including requiring the reporting of campaign contributions. The act imposes various prohibitions relating to the expenditure of campaign funds. The act prohibits a committee that is primarily formed to support or oppose one or more ballot measures from sending a slate mailer unless it complies with specified requirements. This bill would prohibit a committee controlled by a candidate for elective office that is primarily formed to support or oppose one or more ballot measures from expending campaign funds on an advertisement featuring the controlling candidate or another officeholder or candidate, as specified.

Federal Bills

H.R. 195, Gregg Harper. Election Assistance Commission Termination Act.

[To terminate the Election Assistance Commission. Two Year Bill: Dead]

Amends the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to terminate the Election Assistance Commission (EAC), the EAC Standards Board, and the EAC Board of Advisors. Requires the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to perform EAC functions with respect to certain existing contracts and agreements during the transition period for winding up EAC affairs. Transfers specified election administration functions of the EAC to the Federal Election Commission. Terminates the Technical Guidelines Development Committee.

H.R. 885, James Sensenbrenner Jr. Voting Rights Amendment Act of 2015.

[To amend the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to revise the criteria for determining which States and political subdivisions are subject to section 4 of the Act, and for other purposes. Two Year Bill: Dead]

Amends the Voting Rights Act of 1965 with respect to the requirement that a federal court retain jurisdiction for an appropriate period to prevent commencement of new devices to deny or abridge the right to vote. Expands the types of violations triggering the authority of a court to retain such jurisdiction to include certain violations of the Act as well as violations of any federal voting rights law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or membership in a language minority group.

H.R. 1617, Susan Davis. Federal Election Integrity Act of 2015.

[To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit certain State election administration officials from actively participating in electoral campaigns. Two Year Bill: Dead]

Federal Election Integrity Act of 2015 Amends the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to make it unlawful for a chief state election administration official to take active part in political management or in a political campaign with respect to any election for federal office over which the official has supervisory authority. Waives application of this Act if the chief state election administration official himself or herself, or an immediate family member, is a candidate.

H.R. 2694, David Cicilline. Automatic Voter Registration Act.

[To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to require each State to ensure that each individual who provides identifying information to the State motor vehicle authority is automatically registered to vote in elections for Federal office held in the State unless the individual does not meet the eligibility requirements for registering to vote in such elections or declines to be registered to vote in such elections, and for other purposes. Two Year Bill: Dead]

This bill amends the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to require state motor vehicle authorities (MVAs), upon receiving certain identifying information with respect to any individual requesting MVA services, to transmit it to the appropriate state election official. The appropriate state election official shall then notify the individual that unless he or she notifies the official, before 21 calendar days elapse after issuance of the notification, that the individual declines to be registered to vote in federal elections in the state, the individual shall be considered to have submitted a completed voter registration application and be

considered automatically registered unless: The official determines that the individual does not meet voter registration eligibility requirements, or the individual is already registered to vote. A state may not use any identifying information regarding an individual's citizenship status for any purpose other than determining whether the individual is eligible to vote in federal elections.

H.R. 2887, Matthew Cartwright. Time off to Vote Act

[To provide employees with 2 hours of paid leave in order to vote in Federal elections. Two Year Bill: Dead]

Entitles an employee to two hours of paid leave on the day of any federal election in order to vote.

Gives the employer the right to determine the two-hour-period, excluding any lunch break or other break. Prohibits the loss of benefits for any employee taking such leave under this Act.

Makes it unlawful for any employer to interfere with, restrain, or deny the exercise of or the attempt to exercise, the right to take leave under this Act, or to discriminate against an employee in any manner for taking leave under this Act. Makes it unlawful for any employer to discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any individual for: (1) opposing any practice made unlawful by this Act; (2) filing any charge, or instituting or causing to be instituted any proceeding, under or related to this Act; or (3) testifying or preparing to testify in any inquiry or proceeding relating to any leave provided under this Act. Specifies the penalties for any employer who violates this Act.

H.R. 3522, Donald Beyer. PROVE Act.

[To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to require each State to implement a process under which individuals who are 16 years of age may apply to register to vote in elections for Federal office in the State, to direct the Election Assistance Commission to make grants to States to increase the involvement of minors in public election activities, and for other purposes. Two Year Bill: Dead]

This bill amends the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to require each state to implement a pre-registration process under which individuals age 16 may apply to register to vote in federal elections in the state, which shall ensure that the individual is registered to vote in elections held on or after the date the individual turns age 18. The Election Assistance Commission shall make grants to enable eligible states to carry out a plan to increase the involvement of individuals under age 18 in public election activities in the state.

S. 68, David Vitter. Voter Integrity Protection Act.

[To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to make voting in a Federal election by an unlawfully present alien an aggravated felony and for other purposes. Two Year Bill: Dead]

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to make voting in a federal election (unless otherwise provided for under the federal criminal code) by an alien who is unlawfully in the United States an aggravated felony and a deportable offense.

S. 212, Barbara Boxer. Line Act of 2015.

[To amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to ensure that voters in elections for Federal office do not wait in long lines in order to vote. Two Year Bill: Dead]

Lines Interfere with National Elections Act of 2015 or the LINE Act of 2015.

Amends the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require each jurisdiction where a substantial number of voters waited more than 30 minutes to cast a vote in the federal election held on November 6, 2012, or any federal election held after that date, to comply with a state remedial plan to minimize voter waiting times.

S. 1912, Jon Tester. Native American Voting Rights Act of 2015.

[To protect the rights of Indian and Native Alaskan voters. Two Year Bill: Dead]

This bill prohibits states and local governments from:

Eliminating the only polling place or voter registration site on an Indian reservation; moving or consolidating a polling place or voter registration site located on an Indian reservation to a location one mile or further from the existing one; moving or consolidating a polling place on an Indian reservation to a location across a natural boundary if that makes travel difficult for a voter, regardless of distance; eliminating in-person voting on an Indian reservation by designating an Indian reservation as a permanent absentee voting location, unless the entire state is or becomes a permanent absentee voting state or the Indian tribe requests such a designation; removing an early voting location or otherwise diminishing early voting opportunities on an Indian reservation; or decreasing the number of days or hours that an in-person or early voting location is open on an Indian reservation or changing the dates of in-person or early voting on an Indian reservation.

S. 1950, Charles "Chuck" Schumer. A bill to amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to provide for online voter registration and for other purposes.

[To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to provide for online voter registration and for other purposes. Two Year Bill: Dead]

This bill amends the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to direct the Election Assistance Commission (EAC) to: (1) develop an online voter registration application platform; and (2) forward automatically completed online voter registration application forms and cancellation requests to the appropriate chief state election officials and, acting through such officials, to appropriate state and local election officials in the state. The EAC shall automatically connect registration applicants to the state platform in lieu of the federal platform in any state that has developed one meeting the requirements of this Act. Allows a state to require a first time voter registered online to vote in person. The Postmaster General shall ensure that the U.S. Postal Service Online Change of Address process incorporates the online voter registration platform and allows individuals to register to vote during the process. The National Voter Registration Act is amended with respect to administration of voter registration to change the voter registration application deadline from the lesser of 30 days or the period provided by state law before the date of election to the lesser of 28 days or the period provided by state law.

S. 1952, Charles "Chuck" Schumer. A bill to amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to modify the procedures for change of address.

[To amend the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to modify the procedures for change of address. Two Year Bill: Dead]

This bill amends the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 to revise

requirements for notifying a voting registrar of a change of address before the date of an election. If a registrant has failed to notify the registrar of a change of address within a state before an election day, the registrant shall all the same, upon an oral or written affirmation before an election official, be permitted to vote at either the polling place of the registrant's current address or a central location within the same registrar's jurisdiction.

This page intentionally left blank.



**ORANGE COUNTY
REGISTRAR OF VOTERS**