

**ALAMEDA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATION/LEGISLATION
COMMITTEE**

Monday, January 23, 2023

1:30 p.m.

Supervisor Keith Carson, Chair
Vacant

Location: *Board of Supervisors Chamber – 5th Floor*
County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Summary/Action Minutes

I. Federal Legislative Update – CJ Lake

Schedule

Both the House and Senate are in session this week.

House Committee Assignments

The 118th Congress continues to get organized as leadership in both Chambers have been negotiating ratios for committee membership. Last week, Speaker Kevin McCarthy and House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries reached an agreement on ratios for the four “A” committees, the most sought-after committee assignments. These committees include Appropriations, Energy and Commerce, Financial Services, and Ways and Means.

House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries announced that he and Speaker Kevin McCarthy have reached an agreement on the composition of the remaining non-exclusive committees.

In a letter to House Democrats, House Minority Leader Jefferies announced that the ratios for the Committees on Armed Services, Budget, Foreign Affairs, Judiciary and Small Business are directly inverted from the 117th Congress. The Committee on Oversight and Accountability will increase by a seat for both parties. The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure will decrease by two seats each side, and the Committee on Education and the Workforce will decrease by four seats for both parties.

The Democratic Steering and Policy Committee is expected to meet this week to begin discussions on assignments for the “A” committees. The House Republican Steering Committee announced their committee member assignments last week, though it is subject to approval by the full Republican conference, and then by the House.

State of the Union

The State of the Union is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7, 2023.

Purpose:

- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education
- Request PAL_Committee Recommendation or Position
- Other: Federal Update**

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

Request for Legislation position – Action Item

i. Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: Confidentiality of Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Patient Records

Recommendation: Support: Eileen Ng, Policy Director, Health Care Services Agency

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Recommendation from the PAL Committee: Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors

II. State Legislative Update – Political Solutions

Action in the Capitol continues to be relatively quiet as bill introductions roll in. As a reminder, bills must be in print for 30 days before they are eligible to heard in Committee. Both the Assembly and Senate have announced their committee membership for the 2023-24 Legislative Session. With the Speakership change potentially happening in June, it is possible the Assembly Committee Membership may switch.

Assembly Speakership Update

Last year, a speakership battle between current Speaker Anthony Rendon and Assemblymember Robert Rivas was seemingly resolved following a caucus decision to keep leadership as is with Assemblymember Robert Rivas transitioning as Speaker on June 30, 2023.

Over the weekend Assemblymember Joaquin Arambula launched a speakership bid, expressing desire for the role. While it seems the Assemblymember has backed off, this could signal tension and potential conflicts to come. The PS Team will keep County Staff updated as things evolve.

Key Dates & Deadlines

- Bill Introduction Deadline – February 17, 2023
- COVID-19 State of Emergency Set to End – February 28, 2023
- Spring Recess – March 30-April 10, 2023
- Policy Committee Deadline for Fiscal Bills – April 28,2023
- Policy Committee Deadline for Non-Fiscal Bills - May 5, 2023
- Appropriations Committee Deadline – May 19, 2023

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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