

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

Monday, March 18, 2024

1:30 p.m.

Supervisor Keith Carson, Chair
Supervisor Lena Tam

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

The House and Senate are in session this week.

Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations

Congress and the White House will continue work this week on a massive six- bill “minibus” spending package as funding for 70 percent of the federal government, including the departments of Defense, Health and Human Services, Labor, Education, State and Homeland Security as well as the IRS and Transportation Security Administration, will lapse at the end of the day this Friday. House and Senate negotiators have come to some agreement on five of the six remaining bills, but the Department of Homeland Security bill is still unsettled.

The White House raised concerns about funding for Border Patrol officers, while Republicans are requesting additional funds for shelter and detention beds for migrants. We have also heard the White House has raised objections to a long-term Continuing Resolution for DHS because it currently lacks flexibility on “anomalies” to ensure that the Administration can shift funds to deal with new or evolving problems at the U.S.-Mexico border.

Fiscal Year 2025 President’s Budget Request

Last week, President Biden unveiled his fiscal 2025 budget request, calling for \$7.3 trillion in federal spending and projecting a \$1.8 trillion deficit for the year. The package, an increase of \$400 billion over the FY2024 request, drew criticism on Capitol Hill. The discretionary spending request was in line with the caps agreed to under the 2023 debt limit deal (Public Law 118-5). The administration also proposed tax hikes for higher-income households and corporations to help pay for expanded childcare, housing, and health-care initiatives.

Budget Hearings

The release of the President’s FY2025 budget kicks off a slate of spending hearings. On Wednesday, HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra and Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm will testify in front of the House Appropriations Committee on their FY2025 budget requests. On Thursday, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack and Office of Management and Budget Director Shalanda Young will be in front of House Appropriations, and Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen will be in front of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Appropriations Committee.

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.

II. Request for Legislation position – Action Items

- i. **State budget request: Continue State Funding for Diaper Banks**
Recommendation: Support: Nate Miley, President, Board of Supervisors, District 4
- ii. **CalWORKs Program – Oppose Governor’s Budget Proposed Cuts**
Recommendation: Oppose: Andrea Ford, Director, Social Services Agency

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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