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

Monday, April 8, 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

Congress is back from a two week recess. The House and Senate will be in session for the next two weeks, and they are expected to take action on the reauthorization of FISA, the impeachment of DHS Secretary Mayorkas, and an aid package for Ukraine.

Appropriations

The House and Senate are beginning to focus on FY25. The process has been delayed somewhat as the House Chair, Kay Granger, announced she would step down from her position shortly after FY24 was finalized. Tom Cole (R-OK) is expected to be selected as the new House Appropriations Chair later this week.

Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA)

Speaker Mike Johnson (R-LA) and House GOP leaders will attempt for a third time to pass a FISA reauthorization bill. The Rules Committee is marking up their bill on Tuesday, and they have less than two weeks before FISA lapses on April 19th.

In February, Speaker Johnson pulled the bill from consideration after the House Intelligence Committee objected to language barring federal agencies from buying information on Americans from private data companies. The new version of the bill does not include that language.

The Judiciary Committee wants to include a provision that would require national security agencies to obtain a warrant when they request information on any US citizen being surveilled. The bill looks to have solid support in both committees. If the House does not pass this modified version of FISA this week, Speaker Johnson may be forced to put a clean reauthorization bill on the floor next week under suspension. That would effectively cancel any efforts to put additional guardrails on FISA.

Impeachment Proceedings

House Republicans will formally present their articles of impeachment against Secretary Mayorkas to the Senate on Wednesday, April 10th. The DHS secretary was impeached nearly two months ago for his handling of the migrant crisis at the US-Mexico border.

Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) is expected to offer a motion seeking the immediate dismissal of the case against Mayorkas. Republicans will need to stay united to force a full trial on the off-chance that one or two Democrats defect. Also this week, Secretary Mayorkas will be appearing before the House and Senate Appropriations panels this week to discuss his department's FY2025 budget request. He has dismissed the GOP allegations as "baseless."

Ukraine

Speaker Johnson will meet with members all week to discuss a path forward on funding for Ukraine. The aid proposal is expected to be made public within the next few days.

Data Privacy

Senate Commerce Committee Chair Cantwell and Energy and Commerce Committee Chair announced they had reached a deal on a bill to establish a national data privacy standard. The American Privacy Rights Act would establish a national data privacy standard, establish a private right of action for consumers, allow them to sue tech companies that violate their privacy rights, allow consumers to opt out of targeted advertising and data transfers, prohibit the use of covered data to discriminate against consumers and provide consumers with the right to opt out of the use of algorithms for consequential decisions, create a new data privacy-focused bureau within the Federal Trade Commission, and eliminate state laws related to data privacy.

Purpose:		
	Report progress	
	Advocacy or Education	
	Request PAL_Committee Recommendation or Position	
\boxtimes	Other: Federal Update	

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

II. Request for Legislation position – Action Item

i. AB 3079 (Ting) In-Home Supportive Services program: undocumented related providers *Recommendation: Co-sponsor and Support*: Andrea Ford, Director, Social Services Agency

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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