

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

Monday, June 20, 2022  
1:30 p.m.

Supervisor Keith Carson, Chair  
Supervisor David Brown

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 off today for the Juneteenth federal holiday. Both chambers will be back in session tomorrow. The Senate will start its two week recess on June 27th and will return July 8th. The House will hold a committee work week the week of June 27th and will be in recess the week of July 4th.

**FY23 Appropriations**

House appropriators processed their first six subcommittee markups last week, approving Defense, Legislative Branch, Military Construction-VA and Agriculture-FDA, Homeland Security and Financial Services. The remaining six subcommittee bills will be marked up this week before full committee markups start. However, with no topline bipartisan agreement, the final appropriations figures will be very different from the figures the House will set. As a reminder, House Democrats set an overall \$1.6 trillion discretionary spending cap largely in line with President Biden's budget request earlier this month, which is 9 percent above the current year.

Meanwhile, negotiations in the Senate on FY23 top-line levels have ground to a halt due to differences over defense spending. Top Democrats have criticized Republicans for pushing for a continuing resolution, instead of a FY23 spending deal. Republicans want to increase defense spending and maintain nondefense spending at FY22 levels, which is a nonstarter for Democrats. It is possible that Republicans won't come to the negotiating table on a spending deal until after the November elections, leaving a spending deal for the lame duck.

**Gun Control Legislation**

There is hope and a sense of urgency to get a bill passed before the July 4 recess, but it is not likely that will happen. The group of four senators leading the negotiations failed to reach an agreement on legislative text last week. Negotiations continued through the weekend though the timeline to finalize the text is still unknown.

If an agreement is reached on legislative text it will then need to go through the Senate legislative process, which would take a minimum of about a week. President Biden, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, and Speaker Nancy Pelosi all support the package. Senate

Minority Leader Mitch McConnell has also said that he will support the package as long as the final bill reflects the framework that was announced last week.

## Reconciliation Package

A reconciliation deal between Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer and Sen. Joe Manchin is gaining more and more steam as discussions continue. However, there is not a deal yet and it is not expected that there will be one before the Senate leaves for recess at the end of the week. The main provisions of a package seem to center around a full or partial repeal of the 2017 Trump tax cuts, with a portion of the revenue raised going to pay down the deficit, Medicare prescription drug price negotiations and a climate-energy package.

The deal still has a long way to go in the Senate where there is a 50/50 split, but also in the House where Democrats will only have a four-seat margin if and when this comes up for a vote. Democratic leaders are likely to get behind a reconciliation package if the legislation could help stave off a possible recession and help bring down inflation. However, with razor thin margins in both chambers it is unknown if a package can come together in time before the November election.

### Purpose:

- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education
- Request PAL\_Committee Recommendation or Position
- Other: Federal Update**

### Request for Legislation position – Action Item

#### i. [S. 4102](#) (Brown) SSI Savings Penalty Elimination Act

*Recommendation: Support:* Andrea Ford, Interim Director, Social Services Agency

### Purpose:

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- Request PAL\_Committee Recommendation or Position**
- Other:

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

## II. State Legislative Update – Political Solutions

### This Week in the Capitol

Following the passage of SB 154 (Skinner) Budget Act of 2022, negotiations continue as Legislative Leadership and the Administration work to reach an agreement on the 2022-23 State Budget. As of today, SB 154 has not been signed by the Governor.

Additionally, the Senate Budget Committee has scheduled a hearing for later this week to discuss items related to the budget. The PS Team will continue to keep County Staff updated

### Hearings This Week

Policy Committee hearings continue strong this week as we near Summer Recess on July 1. Of importance to the County, the following hearings have been scheduled this week:

- Senate Appropriations Committee – Monday, June 20
- Senate Human Services Committee – Monday, June 20
- Assembly Judiciary Committee – Tuesday, June 21
- Assembly Health Committee – Tuesday, June 21
- Assembly Higher Education Committee – Tuesday, June 21
- Senate Housing Committee – Tuesday, June 21
- Assembly Aging & Long-Term Care Committee – Tuesday, June 21
- Senate Governance & Finance Committee – Wednesday, June 22
- Senate Budget Committee – Thursday, June 23

## Governor Gavin Newsom

Last Friday, the Governor announced additional rollbacks of executive orders related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Five provisions related to Cal OSHA's COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Standards have officially been terminated, with fifteen additional provisions set to expire on June 30.

Measures still in effect include:

- COVID Testing
- Vaccinations and Boosters
- Protecting Hospital Capacity and Vulnerable Populations
- Infant Formula Price Gouging Protections

### Key Dates and Deadlines

- Policy Committee Deadline. Summer Recess begins at the end of this day's session – July 1, 2022
- Legislature reconvenes from Summer Recess – August 1, 2022
- Fiscal Committee Deadline – August 12, 2022
- Floor Session Only – August 15-31, 2022
- Last day for each house to pass bills – August 31, 2022
- Final Recess begins – August 31, 2022

### Purpose:

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- Advocacy or Education
- Request PAL\_Committee Recommendation or Position
- Other: State update**

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

### Request for Legislation position – Action Item

- i. **State Budget Request: California Extended Case Management (CECM) Program**  
*Recommendation: Support:* Andrea Ford, Interim Director, Social Services Agency

### Purpose:

- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education
- Request PAL\_Committee Recommendation or Position**
- Other:

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

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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