

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

Monday, July 17, 2023

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 continue to be in session through July 28 when they are expected to recess for the August district work period. Prior to the recess, the House will take up its FAA Authorization bill this week and turn to appropriations bills next week. The Senate will likely focus on nominations and its version of the NDAA.

FY24 Appropriations

With several funding bills yet to make it out of committee, House and Senate Appropriators will continue to have a very busy week as they remain committed to taking up as many appropriations bills as possible before the end of the month.

Last week, the full House Appropriations Committee advanced the Financial Services and State-Foreign Operations bills, while subcommittees approved the Commerce-Justice-Science (C-J-S), Interior-Environment, Labor-HHS-Education, and Transportation-HUD bills. All 12 measures have now advanced either through full committee or subcommittee. House leaders started laying the groundwork for floor votes on the Agriculture-FDA and Military Construction-VA measures the week of July 24.

The House full committee is set to mark up its Transportation-HUD bill tomorrow and its Interior-Environment bill Wednesday. That still leaves the Commerce-Justice-Science and Labor-HHS-Education bills waiting for full committee markups. Appropriators advanced those two bills out of their subcommittees last Friday. All the appropriations bills approved by the committee so far have been below FY22 numbers, essentially deeming them a nonstarter for the Senate. House Rules has issued amendment deadlines for Ag and Milcon/VA, typically some of the least controversial bills, and Leadership plans on bringing them to the floor next week. Given the tight time frame, it's highly doubtful the House and Senate will pass all FY24 appropriations bills prior to October 1, meaning a short term Continuing Resolution will be on the table for September.

The Senate Appropriations panel advanced its C-J-S, Financial Services, and Legislative Branch measures and is slated to consider another seven bills by the end of July. The chamber advanced the Ag-FDA and MilCon-VA bills in June. Senators will mark up their Energy and Water, State and Foreign Operations, and Transportation-HUD spending bills

Thursday. The following week, they aim to wrap up markups on July 27 with the four remaining bills covering Defense, Homeland Security, Interior-Environment, and Labor-HHS-Education.

FY24 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)

Last week, the House passed the 2024 NDAA, securing a major victory for Speaker Kevin McCarthy. Only four Democrats voted for the traditionally bipartisan measure. The House started to process the 2024 NDAA through the Rules Committee at the beginning of last week, first approving 290 amendments in a structured rule which passed in a series of en bloc votes and were largely non-controversial. The Rules Committee then met midweek, ruling that an additional 80 amendments could be considered on the House floor.

The amendments cover the Pentagon's abortion policy, the origins of the COVID-19 pandemic, transgender health care for service members, Ukraine funding, critical race theory, and others. Almost all Democrats voted against the NDAA because of the controversial amendments on abortion, transgender medical care and diversity initiatives.

This week the Senate will move to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to their FY24 NDAA bill. The conservative House riders have almost no chance of surviving in the Senate. Senator Tommy Tuberville earlier this year pushed to limit abortion at VA facilities and was not able to get 50 votes.

Like every year, the NDAA will have to be conferenced with the Senate, where a fight over these controversial policy riders will take place. The Senate, controlled by Democrats, is not likely to include any of the House policy riders in a final negotiated package.

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. [**Comments in Response to Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: Clarifying Eligibility for a Qualified Health Plan Through an Exchange, Advance Payments of the Premium Tax Credit, Cost-Sharing Reductions, a Basic Health Program and for Some Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Programs, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services**](#)

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

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- Other:

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

II. State Legislative Update – Political Solutions

The Legislature is now on their Summer Recess and members are back in their districts. The Capitol will be relatively quiet until their return on Monday, August 14, 2023. Upon their return, things will move quickly with the Appropriations Committee deadline on September 1 and the deadline by which bills must pass out of the Legislature on September 14, 2023.

Alameda County Sponsored Bills/Budget Requests

- AB 922 (Wicks) Prepared Meals Delivery Program - Status: Two-Year Bill. Eligible to move next year.
- AB 1313 (Ortega) Older individuals: case management and visitation services - Status: Sent to Senate Appropriations Suspense File
Bill is accompanied by the following County Budget Request 23-24 Budget & Legislative Proposal – California Department of Aging Supportive Services. Would provide \$9M over five years to build local assistance capacity in Supportive Services programs. This would be a pilot for Alameda, Sonoma and Marin counties.
- AB 592 (Wilson) Vehicles: commercial nonfranchise solid waste haulers: pilot program. - Alameda County Pilot Program - Status: Senate Floor

Key Dates & Deadlines

- Legislature Reconvenes from Summer Recess - August 14
- Fiscal Committee Deadline –September 1
- Floor Session Only –September 5-14

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Request for Legislation position – Action Items

- [AB 524](#) (Wicks) Discrimination: Family Caregiver Status**
Recommendation: Support: Andrea Ford, Director, Social Services Agency
- [AB 608](#) (Schiavo) Medi-Cal: comprehensive perinatal services**
Recommendation: Support: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency
- [AB 649](#) (Wilson) Developmental Services**
Recommendation: Support: Andrea Ford, Director, Social Services Agency
- [AB 1147](#) (Addis) Disability Equity and Accountability Act of 2023**
Recommendation: Support: Andrea Ford, Director, Social Services Agency
- [AB 1568](#) (Wood) Development services: independent living skills services: rates**
Recommendation: Support: Andrea Ford, Director, Social Services Agency
- [SB 37](#) (Caballero) Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities Housing Stability Act**
Recommendation: Support: Andrea Ford, Director, Social Services Agency
- [SB 267](#) (Eggman) Credit History of Persons Receiving Government Subsidies**
Recommendation: Support: Andrea Ford, Director, Social Services Agency
- [SB 345](#) (Reyes) Human Services: Noncitizen Victims**
Recommendation: Support: Andrea Ford, Director, Social Services Agency
- [SB 639](#) (Limón) Alzheimer’s Disease**
Recommendation: Support: Andrea Ford, Director, Social Services Agency

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- Other:

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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