

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

Monday, July 18, 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 in session this week. Congress will prepare to head out on their August recess in the next few weeks.

**FY23 Appropriations**

The House Rules Committee will begin work on six FY 23 appropriations bills this week. The Committee has posted amendment notices for the Agriculture, Energy and Water, Financial Services and General Government, Interior, Mil Con/VA, and THUD bills. Amendments to these bills were due last Wednesday with floor consideration this week. The Rules Committee will then consider three additional bills LHHS, State and Foreign Operations, and Commerce, Justice, and Science. The final three bills, Defense, Homeland Security, and Legislative Branch will likely not see floor consideration before the August Recess.

Senate Appropriations Chair, Pat Lahey announced that Democrats will unveil their slate of fiscal 2023 appropriations bills at the end of this month, while a bipartisan, bicameral agreement on overall spending levels continues to elude lawmakers.

**Reconciliation Update**

Last week, Senator Manchin informed Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer that he will only support a package that extends Affordable Care Act subsidies for two years, along with the Medicare prescription drug provision, leaving any tax increases and climate change provisions out of any final package. There is no word on whether Senate Democrats will agree to pass a smaller health-focused reconciliation package in the short term or resume negotiations with Mr. Manchin following the August recess.

**Abortion Legislation**

Last week the House passed two abortion bills. The first bill was H.R.8296, the Women's Health Protection Act of 2022, which codifies abortion rights that were guaranteed under *Roe v. Wade*. The House passed the bill on a vote of 219-210. The second bill the House passed was H.R.8297, Ensuring Access to Abortion Act of 2022, which prohibits states from restricting a woman's ability to travel to obtain an abortion. While both bills passed the House, they are not expected to go anywhere in the Senate due to Republican opposition.

In addition to the House measures, last week Senators Patty Murray, Catherine Cortez Masto, Sheldon Whitehouse, and Kirsten Gillibrand brought forward legislation that would prohibit states from prosecuting women that travel to another state to obtain an abortion and to protect the healthcare providers who carry out the procedure. Two-thirds of the Senate Democratic caucus signed on to co-sponsor this legislation. Democrats asked for unanimous consent, but Republicans objected.

Additionally, this week the House is expected to vote on Rep. Kathy Manning's bill to establish a right to contraceptives.

### **Assault Weapons Ban**

The House Judiciary Committee will be voting this week on Rep. David Cicilline's assault weapons ban. The Judiciary Committee has not voted on an assault weapon ban in nearly 30 years, when a decade-long federal prohibition was signed into law. That ban has since expired. The bill has 212 Democratic co-sponsors and no Republican co-sponsors.

This bill makes it a crime to knowingly import, sell, manufacture, transfer, or possess a semiautomatic assault weapon (SAW) or large capacity ammunition feeding device. However, the bill does not apply to a firearm that is manually operated by bolt, pump, lever, or slide action; permanently inoperable; an antique; or a rifle or shotgun specifically identified by make and model. The bill permits continued possession, sale, or transfer of a grandfathered SAW, which must be securely stored. A licensed gun dealer must conduct a background check prior to the sale or transfer of a grandfathered SAW between private parties.

The bill also allows a state or local government to use Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program funds to compensate individuals who surrender a SAW or LCAFD under a buy-back program.

It is important to note that the bill does not call for the removal/confiscation of any covered weapon that any American currently owns. Instead, this proposal would prohibit the manufacture or sale of new weapons. This bill will be strongly opposed by Republicans, and it is not expected to go anywhere in the Senate.

#### **Purpose:**

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

## **II. State Legislative Update – Political Solutions**

The Legislature is on recess as of July 1, 2022 and are set to return to Sacramento on August 1, 2022.

SB 178 is the Budget Bill that would amend the Budget Act of 2022 by amending, adding, and repealing items of appropriation and making other changes, to be signed by the Governor. This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as a Budget Bill.

### **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
- Governor Sign/Veto Deadline – September 30, 2022

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This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Kelly Abreu commented that the Board of Supervisors serves as the Board of Directors of the Alameda County Fire Department. The Health and Safety Code requires every fire department to report annually, the results of certain inspections to its administrative authority. The Fire Department filed in early 2020 and in early 2021. However, it appears they are not filing until later this year. He encouraged the Board of Supervisor to follow up with the Fire Department on these reports.

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