

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

Monday, September 12, 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 back in session this week for a three-week dash before a break for the midterm elections. The House is scheduled to adjourn on September 30th and return after the elections on November 14th. The Senate is currently scheduled to adjourn on October 21 and return on November 9th.

**FY23 Appropriations**

The federal government is funded through the remainder of this month and Congress is working on a continuing resolution (CR) to keep the government funded beyond September 30. Now, it is expected that a CR will fund the government through December 16<sup>th</sup>, which will allow appropriators time to develop an omnibus package after the midterm elections.

The Biden Administration is requesting more than \$13 billion in funds for Ukraine, which should have bipartisan support, as Ukraine forces have had recent battlefield successes. The Administration is also requesting an additional \$22.4 billion in COVID-19 spending and \$4.5 billion in monkeypox funds. The White House may request \$6.5 billion for disaster aid.

There are also discussions that Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer may look to attach a bill to the CR to speed up permitting for energy projects. There are more than 70 House Democrats that oppose that plan and have sent a letter to leadership regarding their opposition. Keeping the government funded will be the priority for Congress over the next several weeks.

**Public Charge**

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, the Department of Homeland Security announced a final rule implementing the public charge ground of inadmissibility that is set to go into effect on December 23, 2022. This final rule rolls back a policy instituted under former President Donald Trump that sought to limit immigration benefits for those that rely on government aid including Medicaid, housing assistance, food assistance, or other public benefits. This new final rule codifies the 1999 “field guidance” that has been in effect for more than two decades. Under both current policy and the new rule once it goes into effect, it is safe for immigrants and their families to use health, nutrition, and housing programs for which they qualify. Health care programs, including Medicaid and Covid care, housing, food programs, and many other vital services are safe to use.

**Purpose:**

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

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

After a week full of record high temperatures, California is finally starting to cool down. Due to the heatwave, the Governor issued and then extended a state of emergency order, allowing the state to appropriately respond. The order has since been lifted. With the Legislature now on recess, attention has shifted to the Governor as he nears the sign/veto deadline at the end of the month for all bills.

**Key Dates and Deadlines**

Governor Sign/Veto Deadline – September 30, 2022  
General Election – November 8, 2022  
2023-24 Organizational Session – December 5, 2022

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This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

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