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

Monday, September 23, 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

Both chambers of Congress will return to session this week. The House is scheduled to be in session from Tuesday until Friday. The Senate is scheduled to be in session from Monday until Friday. Both chambers are scheduled to be in session next week as well. They will then adjourn for October and are scheduled to return after the elections for a lame-duck session.

Continuing Resolution

Last week, House leadership proposed a six-month continuing resolution to fund the government through March 28th but chose not to proceed in an acknowledgment to opposition from members of both parties. Attached to the stopgap measure was the SAVE act, legislation requiring proof of citizenship to register to vote in federal elections. Both parties continued deliberations and will work to build consensus this week as Congress moves to pass legislation to keep the government funded beyond September 30th.

The Senate Appropriations Committee has approved eleven of the twelve funding bills, and the House Appropriations Committee has approved all twelve, having passed five on the floor. The House has completed its consideration of: Defense; Homeland Security; Interior & Environment; Military Construction & Veterans Affairs; and State & Foreign Operations. The Senate Appropriations Committee has yet to approve Homeland Security and has not announced a schedule for its mark-up.

House Messaging Votes This Week

The House Rules Committee is scheduled to meet tomorrow to pass a rule to set the terms of floor debate for several bills aimed at Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG) investment, vehicle tailpipe emissions standards, and cutting funding for sanctuary cities free speech on campus campuses.

The House will vote on the following measures:

- H.R. 5339 would require fiduciaries to prioritize returns over environmental, social, and governance factors when making investment decisions.
- H.R. 3724 would prohibit recognized accrediting agencies and associations from requiring, encouraging, or coercing institutions of higher education to meet any political litmus test or violate any right protected by the Constitution as a condition of accreditation. It would also mandate schools adopt policies on student groups and free speech on campus.

- H.R. 5717 would block federal funding for migrant care to states and cities that have in place policies that hinder the federal government from enforcing immigration laws.
- H.J. Res. 136 would block, through the Congressional Review Act, a Biden administration rule to more strictly regulate passenger vehicle tailpipe emissions and accelerate the transition to electric vehicles.

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

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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