



FDAC Legislative Status Report

Report Date: 2/8/2013

AB 11 (**Logue R**) **Employees: reserve peace officers and emergency rescue personnel.**

Current Text: Amended: 1/28/2013 [pdf.html](#)

Introduced: 12/3/2012

Last Amend: 1/28/2013

Status: 1/29/2013-Re-referred to Com. on L. & E.

Location: 1/29/2013-A. L. & E.

Summary: Would revise provisions to require those employers employing 50 or more employees to permit an employee who performs emergency duty as a volunteer firefighter, reserve peace officer, or as emergency rescue personnel, as defined, to take the leave of absence for the purpose of engaging in fire, law enforcement, or emergency rescue training.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC				

AB 23 (**Donnelly R**) **State responsibility areas: fire prevention fees.**

Current Text: Introduced: 12/3/2012 [pdf.html](#)

Introduced: 12/3/2012

Status: 2/7/2013-Referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Location: 2/7/2013-A. NAT. RES.

Summary: Existing law requires the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, on or before September 1, 2011, to adopt emergency regulations to establish a fire prevention fee in an amount not to exceed \$150 to be charged on each structure on a parcel that is within a state responsibility area, as defined, and requires that the fire prevention fee be adjusted annually using prescribed methods. This bill would repeal the above provisions relating to the fire prevention fees.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

AB 25 (**Campos D**) **Employment: social media.**

Current Text: Introduced: 12/3/2012 [pdf.html](#)

Introduced: 12/3/2012

Status: 1/24/2013-Referred to Coms. on JUD. and P.E.,R. & S.S.

Location: 1/24/2013-A. JUD.

Summary: Existing law prohibits a private employer from requiring or requesting an employee or applicant for employment to disclose a username or password for the purpose of accessing personal social media, to access personal social media in the presence of the employer, or to divulge any personal social media. This bill would apply

the provisions described above to public employers. The bill would state that its provisions address a matter of statewide interest and apply to public employers generally, including charter cities and counties.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

AB 47 (Gatto D) Emergency telephone system: abuse.

Current Text: Introduced: 12/19/2012 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 12/19/2012

Status: 1/14/2013-Referred to Com. on PUB. S.

Location: 1/14/2013-A. PUB. S.

Summary: Would provide that any person who calls the 911 telephone system to dispatch a police response to a residence or place of business where there is no emergency, with the intent to annoy or harass another person, and police are dispatched as a result of the call, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not exceeding \$10,000, by imprisonment in a county jail for not more than one year, or by both that fine and imprisonment. This bill would exempt from its provisions telephone calls made in good faith. By increasing the penalty for an existing crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

AB 120 (Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materi) Underground storage tanks: school districts.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/14/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/14/2013

Status: 1/18/2013-Referred to Com. on E.S. & T.M.

Location: 1/18/2013-A. E.S. & T.M.

Summary: Would require the State Water Resources Control Board to waive the underground storage tank permit requirement for claims reimbursed from the School District Account in the Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund if the superintendent of the school district receiving the reimbursement certifies to the board that petroleum was not delivered on or after January 1, 2003, to the tank that is the subject of the claim or the tank was removed before January 1, 2003.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

AB 124 (Morrell R) State responsibility areas: fire prevention fees.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/14/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/14/2013

Status: 2/7/2013-Referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Location: 2/7/2013-A. NAT. RES.

Summary: Existing law requires that the fire prevention fees collected, except as provided, be deposited into the State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fund and be made available to the State Board of Equalization and the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for certain specified fire prevention activities that benefit the owners of structures in state responsibility areas who are required to pay the fee. Existing law further requires the board, on and after January 1, 2013, to submit an annual written report to the Legislature on specified topics. This bill would repeal these provisions.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

[AB 127](#) **([Skinner](#) D) Fire safety: fire retardants: building insulation.**

Current Text: Introduced: 1/14/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/14/2013

Status: 1/15/2013-From printer. May be heard in committee February 14.

Location: 1/14/2013-A. PRINT

Summary: Would state that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that would reduce the use of flame retardants in plastic foam building insulation.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

[AB 160](#) **([Alejo](#) D) California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013: exceptions.**

Current Text: Introduced: 1/22/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/22/2013

Status: 1/31/2013-Referred to Com. on P.E.,R. & S.S.

Location: 1/31/2013-A. P.E.,R. & S.S.

Summary: Would except from the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA), by excepting from the definition of public retirement system, certain multiemployer plans authorized under federal law and retirement plans for public employees whose collective bargaining rights are protected by a specified provision of federal law.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

[AB 194](#) **([Campos](#) D) Open meetings: protections for public criticism: penalties for violations.**

Current Text: Introduced: 1/28/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/28/2013

Status: 2/7/2013-Referred to Com. on L. GOV.

Location: 2/7/2013-A. L. GOV.

Summary: Would make it a misdemeanor for a member of a legislative body, while acting as the chairperson of a legislative body of a local agency, to prohibit public criticism protected under the Ralph M. Brown Act. This bill would authorize a district attorney or any interested person to commence an action for the purpose of obtaining a judicial determination that an action taken by a legislative body of a local agency in violation of the protection for public criticism is null and void, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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FDAC			RHeim	

[AB 218](#) **([Dickinson](#) D) Employment applications: criminal history.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/4/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/4/2013

Status: 2/5/2013-From printer. May be heard in committee March 7.

Location: 2/4/2013-A. PRINT

Summary: Would prohibit a state or local agency from asking an applicant to disclose

information regarding a criminal conviction, except as specified, until after the applicant's qualifications for the position have been determined to meet the requirements for the position. This bill would include specified findings and declarations of the Legislature in support of this policy. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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FDAC			RHeim	

AB 262 **(Waldron R) Local government: organization.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/7/2013 [pdf.html](#)

Introduced: 2/7/2013

Status: 2/7/2013-Read first time. To print.

Location: 2/7/2013-A. PRINT

Summary: The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 makes certain findings and declarations relating to local government organization, including, among other things, that it is the policy of the state to encourage orderly growth and development, and recognition that the logical formation and determination of the boundaries of local agencies is an important factor in promoting orderly development, as specified. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

ACA 3 **(Campos D) Local government financing: public safety services: voter approval.**

Current Text: Introduced: 1/22/2013 [pdf.html](#)

Introduced: 1/22/2013

Status: 1/23/2013-Introduced measure version corrected.

Location: 1/23/2013-A. PRINT

Summary: Would create an additional exception to the 1% limit for a rate imposed by a city, county, or special district to service bonded indebtedness incurred to fund certain fire, emergency response, police, or sheriff buildings or facilities, and equipment, that is approved by 55% of the voters of the city, county, or special district, as applicable. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

SB 17 **(Gaines R) State responsibility areas: fire prevention fees.**

Current Text: Introduced: 12/3/2012 [pdf.html](#)

Introduced: 12/3/2012

Status: 1/10/2013-Referred to Com. on N.R. & W.

Location: 1/10/2013-S. N.R. & W.

Summary: Existing law requires that the fire prevention fees collected, except as provided, be deposited into the State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fund and be made available to the State Board of Equalization and the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for certain specified fire prevention activities that benefit the owners of structures in state responsibility areas who are required to pay the fee. Existing law further requires the board, on and after January 1, 2013, to submit an annual written report to the Legislature on specified topics. This bill would repeal the above provisions relating to the implementation of the fire prevention fees.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

SB 24 (Walters R) Public employees' retirement: benefit plans.

Current Text: Introduced: 12/3/2012 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 12/3/2012

Status: 1/10/2013-Referred to Com. on P.E. & R.

Location: 1/10/2013-S. P.E. & R.

Summary: Existing law regulates state and local public retirement systems and generally requires public employees who are new members, as defined, of those systems, on and after January 1, 2013, to participate in specified benefit plans. Existing law requires, in the case of these plans, if a new defined benefit formula is adopted on or after January 1, 2013, that the formula meet certain requirements and, among other things, be approved by the Legislature. This bill would eliminate the requirement that the Legislature approve the changes in the instances described above. This bill would also authorize a local agency public employer or public retirement system that offers a defined benefit pension plan to offer a benefit formula with a lower benefit factor at normal retirement age and that results in a lower normal cost than the benefit formulas that are currently required, for purposes of addressing a fiscal necessity.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

SB 125 (Gaines R) State responsibility areas: fire prevention fees.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/22/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/22/2013

Status: 2/7/2013-Referred to Coms. on N.R. & W. and RLS.

Location: 2/7/2013-S. N.R. & W.

Summary: Existing law requires the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, on or before September 1, 2011, to adopt emergency regulations to establish a fire prevention fee in an amount not to exceed \$150 to be charged on each structure, as defined on a parcel that is within a state responsibility area, as defined, and requires that the fire prevention fee be adjusted annually using prescribed methods. This bill would exempt a property owner of a structure that is both within a state responsibility area and within the boundaries of a local fire district that provides fire protection services in the district from the payment of the above-described fire prevention fee.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

SB 147 (Gaines R) State responsibility areas: fire prevention fees.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/31/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/31/2013

Status: 2/1/2013-From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 3.

Location: 1/31/2013-S. PRINT

Summary: Existing law requires the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, on or before September 1, 2011, to adopt emergency regulations to establish a fire prevention fee in an amount not to exceed \$150 to be charged on each structure on a parcel that is within a state responsibility area. This bill would exempt a property owner of a structure on a parcel that is within a state responsibility area from payment of the fire prevention fee imposed pursuant to those provisions if the property owner has an income of less than 200% of the federal poverty level, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

SCA 9 **(Corbett D) Local government: economic development: special taxes: voter approval.**

Current Text: Introduced: 12/18/2012 [pdf.html](#)

Introduced: 12/18/2012

Status: 2/7/2013-Referred to Coms. on GOV. & F. and E. & C.A.

Location: 2/7/2013-S. G. & F.

Summary: Would provide that the imposition, extension, or increase of a special tax by a local government for the purpose of providing funding for community and economic development projects, as specified, requires the approval of 55% of its voters voting on the proposition. The measure would also make conforming and technical, nonsubstantive changes.

Organization	Position	Priority	Assigned	Subject
FDAC			RHeim	

SCA 11 **(Hancock D) Local government: special taxes: voter approval.**

Current Text: Introduced: 1/25/2013 [pdf.html](#)

Introduced: 1/25/2013

Status: 2/7/2013-Referred to Coms. on GOV. & F. and E. & C.A.

Location: 2/7/2013-S. G. & F.

Summary: The California Constitution conditions the imposition of a special tax by a local government upon the approval of 2/3 of the voters of the local government voting on that tax, and prohibits a local government from imposing an ad valorem tax on real property or a transactions tax or sales tax on the sale of real property. This measure would instead condition the imposition, extension, or increase of a special tax by a local government upon the approval of 55% of the voters voting on the proposition. The measure would also make conforming and technical, nonsubstantive changes.

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