



Report on Activities from Sacramento

Communications and Legislation Committee

Item 6b

July 12, 2021

Key Legislative Dates

- July 14: Policy Committee
- July 16 : Summer Recess Begins
- August 16: Legislature
- Reconvenes
- August 27: Fiscal Committee
- September 10: Intercession Recess



Joint Legislative Audit Committee

- Rudy Salas (D-Bakersfield) Chair and John Laird (D-Santa Cruz) Co-Chair
- Approved State Audit of Metropolitan
- Scope:
 - Recruitment, prevention of workplace discrimination, including harassment, bullying and retaliation, workplace safety, non-disclosure agreements, and employee housing
- Anticipated duration of audit: 7 months

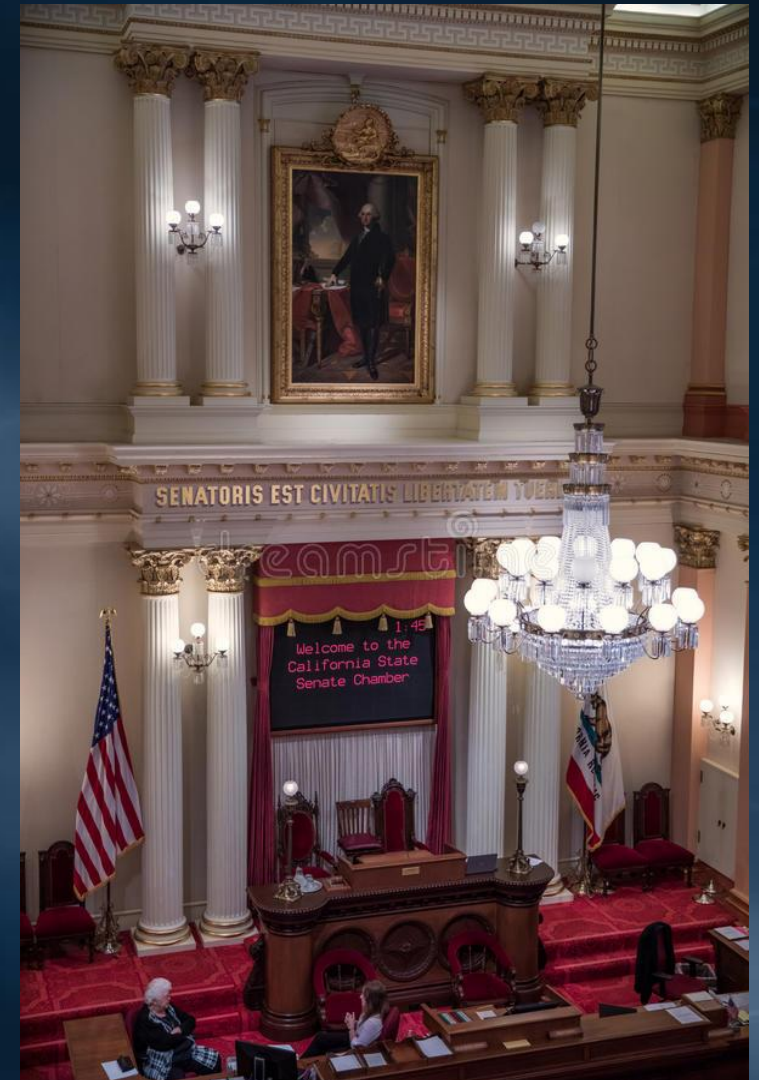
Legislation

● State Matrix

- AB 442 (Mayes, I-Rancho Mirage) - SMARA
- SB 559 (Hurtado, D-Fresno) – Canal Repairs
- SB 626 (Dodd, D-Napa) – DWR Procurement
- AB 361 (Rivas, D-Hollister) – The Brown Act

● Monitor

- SB 222 (Dodd, D-Napa) – Low-income Water Rate Assistance Program
- SB 480 (Stern, D-Los Angeles) – Metropolitan Water District of Southern California



State Budget

- AB 128 (Ting, D-San Francisco): The Budget Act of 2021
- SB 129 (Skinner, D-Berkeley), “Budget Bill Junior”
 - \$261.4 billion spending plan (\$196.4 billion General Fund)
 - \$2.4 billion for drought and water infrastructure including drinking water, recycled water, wastewater, conveyance repairs
 - \$1 billion debt relief for residential and commercial water customers

Appointments & Special Elections

- Governor appointed Nichole Morgan to the State Water Resources Control Board
- Special General Election for AD 18 (Alameda)
- Governor Recall Election – September 14



