



## Legislation Text

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HEARING - Consider the recommendations from the Legislative Program Committee meeting of February 27, 2006, as follows: (EST. TIME: 15 MIN.)

a) Receive a copy of two letters, sent in the matter of William Connell and the Veterans' tax exemption, to our local State Legislators and State Board of Equalization seeking clarification of the language, legislative intent, interpretation and application of California Public Code Section 16102;

b) Consider taking a position, without a recommendation from the Legislative Program Committee, for the following bills which ease State regulation of levee maintenance and flood control work;

i) AB 1877 (Nakanishi) as introduced on February 19, 2006. AB 1877 would amend Section 1602 of the Fish and Game Code to provide that if an entity proposes an activity that involves the routine maintenance of a levee or flood control system, and that proposed activity is substantially equivalent to a prior activity relating to that levee or flood control system that was conducted in accordance with Section 1602, the entity shall only be required to submit written notification regarding the proposed maintenance before undertaking the maintenance;

ii) AB 2026 (Aghazarian) as introduced on February 14, 2006. AB 2026 would exempt actions undertaken by the Reclamation Board in the Department of Water Resources ("Board") or local agencies for the routine maintenance of levees from the California Environmental Quality Act. Further, AB 2026 would amend Section 8608 of the Water Code to specify that the Board shall establish and enforce standards for the maintenance and operation of levees, channels, and other flood control works and in so doing shall give the highest consideration to its mission to protect the health and safety of the public and shall give due consideration to fish and wildlife, recreation, and environmental factors;

iii) AB 2029 (Villines) as introduced on February 14, 2006. AB 2029 adds to the definition of "State of Emergency" to include an imminent breach or failure flood threat emergency, as declared by the Governor;

c) Oppose SB 1210 (Torlakson) as introduced on January 26, 2006. SB 1210 would place statutory restrictions on the use of eminent domain, as well as change provisions relating to court findings of just compensation. The bill would require that an entity pay twice the difference between an entity's final offer and the amount of compensation determined by the court if the court determines that the market value of the property is greater than the final offer submitted by the public entity. Finally, it provides that a redevelopment agency may only extend the time it may conduct eminent domain proceedings if it prepares a new resolution of necessity; and

d) Oppose AB 1209 (Yee) as introduced on February 22, 2006. AB 1209 repeals one of the provisions of

recent Workers Compensation reform legislation by eliminating the limit on the maximum number of chiropractic, occupational therapy, and physical therapy visits an employee is entitled to receive per industrial injury.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: POLICY

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