County of Santa Barbara



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Consider recommendations from the Legislative Program Committee meeting of May 16, 2005, as follows:

- a) **Support AB 702 (Koretz) Nursing Education**. AB 702 would require the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to establish a statewide Registered Nurse Educator Scholarship Program to contract with colleges and universities to establish or expand related curriculum, and to provide education loans to registered nurses who are seeking a masters or doctorate degrees in nursing and who will commit to serving as registered nurse educators in California for a period of from 3 to 5 years upon completion of their studies. (Attachment 1: unanimous support of members present)
- b) Conditionally Support AB 1090 (Matthews) Solid Waste: Diversion: Conversion. Condition support for AB 1090 on the outcome of air quality testing and the resolution of whether conversion technology should be eligible for waste diversion credits. AB 1090 adds recovery, through recycling, composting, conversion technology, or other beneficial use technologies to the existing waste management priorities for the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB). The bill also provides that local jurisdictions may use conversion technologies to meet their 50% waste diversion mandates required by existing law. (Attachment 2: unanimous support of members present);
- c) Support ACA 16 (Gordon) Taxation to supplement public safety funding, approval by electorate. ACA 16 would allow a local government to impose, extend, or increase any special tax for the purpose of providing supplemental funding for the sheriff, police, or fire protection services, if that tax is submitted to the electorate and approved by a 55% (as opposed to the current 2/3 (67%)) vote of the voters voting on the measure. (Attachment 3: 3 ayes members Rose, Brown, Geis; 1 abstain member Stark; Member Stark abstained due to the anti-supplantation provision included in ACA 16);
- d) **Oppose SB 44 (Kehoe) General Plans: Air Quality Element**. SB 44 would require each city and county to adopt an air quality element as part of its general plan, or amend appropriate elements of the general plan to include data and analysis, comprehensive goals, policies, and feasible implementation strategies intended to contribute to and complement other entities efforts to improve air quality. SB 44 would require local governments to comply with these provisions during their next general plan update. (Attachment 4: unanimous support of members present);
- e) Oppose SB 326 (Dunn) Land Use: Housing Element. Existing Planning and Zoning Law, requires a multifamily residential housing project to be a "permitted use" not subject to a conditional use permit on any parcel zoned for multifamily housing if certain requirements are met. SB 326 changes the term "multifamily residential housing" to "attached housing development," and defines "attached housing development" as a structure containing two or more dwelling units. (Attachment 5: unanimous support of members present; member Firestone absent);
- f) Oppose SB 1059 (Escutia) Electric Transmission Corridors, unless amended to respect local land use authority and private property rights. SB 1059 would authorize the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to designate a transmission corridor zone on its own motion or by application of a person who plans to construct a high-voltage electric transmission line within the state (Attachment 6: unanimous support of members present; member Firestone absent)

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