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SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE REPORT FOR MARCH 2023

CONTENTS: This report provides summaries and status of bills affecting the Coastal Commission and California's Coastal Program, and coast-related legislation identified by staff.

**Note: Information contained in this report is accurate as of February 28, 2023. Bills added since the previous report are marked by an \*asterisk. Substantive amendments are summarized in *italics*.** Bill text, votes, analyses, and the current status of any bill may be viewed on the California Legislature's Homepage at <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/>. This report can also be accessed through the Commission's homepage at [www.coastal.ca.gov](http://www.coastal.ca.gov).

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**2023 Legislative Calendar**

Jan 1	Statutes take effect.
Jan 4	Legislature reconvenes.
Jan 10	Budget Bill must be submitted by Governor.
Jan 20	Last day to submit bill requests to Legislative Counsel.
Feb 17	Last day for bills to be introduced.
March 30	Spring Recess begins upon adjournment.
April 10	Legislature reconvenes from Spring Recess.
April 28	Last day for policy committees to hear and report fiscal bills.
May 5	Last day for policy committees to hear and report non-fiscal bills.
May 12	Last day for policy committees to meet prior to June 5.
May 19	Last day for fiscal committees to hear and report bills to the Floor.
June 2	Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house.
June 5	Committee meetings may resume.
June 15	Budget Bill must be passed by midnight.

July 14	Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills. Summer Recess begins upon adjournment.
Aug 14	Legislature reconvenes from Summer Recess.
Sep 1	Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills.
Sep 5-14	Floor session only.
Sep 8	Last day to amend bills on the floor.
Aug 14	Last day for each house to pass bills. Recess begins upon adjournment.
Oct 14	Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills.

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## PRIORITY LEGISLATION

### COASTAL ACT AMENDMENTS

**[AB 45 \(Boerner Horvath\) Coastal resources: coastal development permits: blue carbon projects: new development: greenhouse gas emissions](#)**

This bill would add Sections 30275 and 30276 to the Coastal Act, requiring the Commission to authorize the Commission to authorize blue carbon demonstration projects, and amend Section 30253 to require that new development minimize greenhouse gas emissions. A blue carbon project is defined as the creation or restoration of coastal wetland, intertidal, or marine habitats or ecosystems, including, but not limited to, kelp forests, seagrasses, and wetlands, that capture carbon. State grant programs may be used to contribute toward the project. The bill would also amend Section 30253 to require that new development mitigate greenhouse gas emissions.

Introduced                    12/05/22  
 Status                         Assembly Natural Resources Committee

**[SB 360 \(Blakespear\) California Coastal Commission: member voting](#)**

This bill would amend PRC Sec. 30318 to allow Coastal Commissioners to simultaneously serve on Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCOs) and/or Joint Powers Authorities (JPAs) while also serving on the Coastal Commission.

Introduced                    02/08/23  
 Status                         Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

**[AB 584 \(Hart\) Coastal development: emergency waiver](#)**

This bill would amend PRC Sec 30611 to increase the value limit from \$25,000 to \$125,000 for public works structures eligible to receive a coastal development permit waiver for repair or maintenance when damaged by natural disaster, serious accident, or other type of emergency.

Introduced                    02/09/23  
 Status                         Assembly Natural Resources Committee

**SB 704 (Min) Coastal Resources: California Coastal Commission: scientific expertise**

This is a Coastal Act spot bill.

Introduced 02/16/23  
Status Senate Rules Committee

**SB 752 (Padilla) California Coastal Commission: powers and duties**

This is a Coastal Act spot bill.

Introduced 02/17/23  
Status Senate Rules Committee

**AB 1287 (Alvarez) Density Bonus Law: additional density bonus and incentives or concessions: California Coastal Act of 1976**

This bill would repeal long-standing language in the Density Bonus law that specifies nothing in that section shall supersede or lessen the effect or application of the Coastal Act. While it's not a Coastal Act amendment, it has the effect of creating a Coastal Act exemption for the incorporation of density bonus credits in multifamily housing projects.

Introduced 02/16/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**AB 1308 (Quirk-Silva) Single-family residences: parking requirements**

This bill would prohibit a public agency, including the Coastal Commission, from imposing new minimum parking standards on a project to remodel, renovate or add to a single-family residence. While this is not a Coastal Act amendment, it has the effect of creating a Coastal Act exemption from parking requirements.

Introduced 02/16/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**AB 1375 (Dixon) Coastal Protection**

This is a Coastal Act spot bill.

Introduced 02/17/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**NATURAL AND MARINE RESOURCES**

**AB 72 (Boerner Horvath) Coastal resources: research: landslides and erosion**

This bill would extend the deadline for the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD to conduct research and provide a report to the Legislature regarding early warning systems that could detect landslides from March 15, 2025 to March 30, 2026.

Introduced 12/13/22  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**SB 79 (Nguyen) Coastal resources: preservation**

This bill would provide that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that would establish policy addressing coastal preservation.

Introduced 01/12/23  
Status Senate Rules Committee

**AB 234 (Bauer-Kahan) Microparticles**

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that would prohibit the sale of rinse-off cosmetics, detergents, waxes, and polishes that contain synthetic polymer microparticles.

Introduced 01/12/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**AB 310 (Dodd) Prescribed fire: civil liability: cultural burns**

This bill would authorize cultural fire practitioners to obtain approval to burn pursuant to a tribal law, ordinance, regulation, or resolution adopted by a California Native American tribe within its ancestral territory, in lieu of any other permit.

Introduced 02/06/23  
Status Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

**AB 343 (Muratsuchi) Southern Los Angeles: ocean dumpsites: chemical waste**

This bill would require the California Environmental Protection Agency, to hold at least 4 public meetings per year, between March 31, 2024 to until January 1, 2028 to, provide the public with current information efforts to study and mitigate DDT and other chemical waste dumped off the coast of Los Angeles. The bill would require the agency, to report to the Legislature with policy recommendations on how to further mitigate the impacts of chemical waste deposits at or from the dumpsites.

Introduced 01/31/23  
Status Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee

**SB 378 (Gonzalez) State beaches: polystyrene food container and cooler ban**

This bill would prohibit a person from bringing a Styrofoam food container or cooler onto a state beach or any unit of the State Parks system. An infraction would be punishable by a \$25 fine.

Introduced 02/09/23  
Status Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

**AB 566 (Pellerin) Department of Parks and Recreation: protection: stewardship: Santa Cruz Mountains Region**

This bill would authorize State Parks to enter into an agreement with an NGO or a federally- or state-recognized Tribe, for the purpose of establishing permanent protection over properties in Big Basin, Año Nuevo, or Butano State Parks through fee title acquisition or ongoing management, stewardship, and monitoring in perpetuity.

Introduced                    02/08/23  
Status                         Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife Committee

**AB 612 (Berman) State Parks: Pedro Point**

This bill would require Caltrans to transfer surplus property in San Mateo County to the City of Pacifica for the purpose of expanding the California Coastal Trail by closing a gap between Pacifica State Beach and Pedro Point Headlands, and providing for additional parking and trailhead amenities.

Introduced                    02/09/23  
Status                         Assembly Rules Committee

**AB 706 (Rivas) Leasing of public lands**

This bill would authorize the State Lands Commission (SLC) to issue prospecting permits and leases minerals (other than oil and gas) on state lands without approval by the Attorney General. The bill would delete the current 960-acre maximum for lease areas, as well as the requirement for the lease area to be surveyed by the SLC or another entity. The bill would also authorize the SLC to issue permits for geological or geophysical exploration permits on state lands, and if minerals are discovered, require a lessee to pay an annual rental based on fair market value.

Introduced                    02/13/23  
Status                         Assembly Rules Committee

**AB 1407 (Addis) Coastal resources: ocean recovery and restoration: large scale restoration**

This bill would require the Ocean Protection Council to establish a Kelp Forest and Estuary Restoration and Recovery Framework that has a goal of restoring by 2050 an unspecified number of acres of kelp forests, eelgrass meadows, and native oyster beds. The bill would also require the OPC to establish an interagency Ocean Restoration and Recovery Working Group that includes the Coastal Commission and other departments to coordinate and facilitate large-scale restoration in the coastal areas of the state.

Introduced                    02/17/23  
Status                         Assembly Rules Committee

## CLIMATE CHANGE AND SEA LEVEL RISE

### **AB 225 (Grayson) Real property: environmental hazards handbook**

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to require the Department of Real Estate to include wildfire, climate change and sea level rise in its informational booklet on environmental hazards, when the booklet is next updates. The bill would require the State Department of Public Health to seek the advice and assistance of departments within the Natural Resources Agency in the writing of the new sections.

Introduced 01/11/23  
Status Senate Rules Committee

### **SB 272 (Laird) Sea level rise: planning and adaptation**

This bill would require all local governments in the coastal zone to address sea level rise (SLR) through Local Coastal Programs (LCPs) by January 1, 2034. Jurisdictions that complete this requirement by January 1, 2029, would be prioritized for state funding. Vulnerability assessments and implementation policies would be based on best available science, cover specified priorities, and would get updated on a timeline agreed upon by the local governments and the Coastal Commission. The measure would also require the Commission and BCDC to collaborate with OPC and the Sea Level Rise State and Regional Support Collaborative on the establishment of guidelines to assist local governments in this work by December 31, 2024.

Introduced 12/05/22  
Status Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

### **SB 755 (Becker) Real property: climate mitigation and adaptation**

This bill states the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation that would require properties offered for sale or lease to disclose a list of fossil fuel appliances and infrastructure on the property, a health disclosure of the risks of gas appliances, and an assessment of the property's risk from climate impacts including wildfires, sea level rise, flooding, and extreme heat.

Introduced 02/17/23  
Status Senate Rules Committee

### **AB 882 (Davies) Coastal resources: Climate Ready Program: State Coastal Conservancy**

This bill would require the State Coastal Conservancy to process applications for natural infrastructure and multiple benefit projects within 45 days.

Introduced 02/14/23  
Status Assembly Natural Resources Committee

**AB 970 (L Rivas) Climate and Sustainability Insurance and Risk Reduction Program**

This bill would require the Department of Insurance to establish and administer the Climate and Sustainability Insurance and Risk Reduction Program, to expand insurance options, especially in vulnerable and disadvantaged communities where climate risks are currently uninsured or underinsured.

Introduced 02/14/23  
Status Assembly Insurance Committee

**AB 1554 (Gallagher) CEQA: exemption: wildfire fuels reduction program**

This bill would exempt projects to reduce of fuels in areas within moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones from CEQA.

Introduced 02/14/23  
Status Assembly Insurance Committee

**ENERGY**

**AB 3 (Zbur) Offshore wind energy**

This bill states the Legislature’s intent to enact legislation to accelerate the approval, implementation, and operation of offshore wind energy projects, clarify the authority of California governmental agencies related to seawater ports and transmission infrastructure along the California coast, and specify criteria for the analysis and selection of port and transmission alternatives related to offshore wind energy projects.

Introduced 12/05/22  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**AB 65 (Mathis) Energy: nuclear generation facilities**

This bill would exempt small, modular nuclear reactors from the current prohibition against the certification of any new nuclear power plants in California.

Introduced 12/06/22  
Last Amended 02/14/23  
Status Assembly Natural Resources Committee

**AB 80 (Addis) Offshore Wind Coastal Protection Act**

This bill states that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation to create the Offshore Wind Coastal Compensation Fund for purposes of mitigating the impacts of offshore wind infrastructure in California on the tourism industry, marine wildlife, and the fishing industry; funding costs associated with the future decommissioning of obsolete offshore wind infrastructure; and providing funding to marine life sanctuaries, federally recognized tribes, cities, and counties.

Introduced 01/31/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**SB 286 (McGuire) Offshore wind generation**

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation relating to offshore wind generation.

Introduced 02/02/23  
Status Senate Rules Committee

**SB 319 (McGuire) Electrical transmission**

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation relating to electrical transmission.

Introduced 02/06/23  
Status Senate Rules Committee

**AB 344 (Wood) Load serving entities: offshore wind facilities**

This bill would authorize electrical corporations, electric service providers, and community choice aggregators to jointly enter into agreements to procure electricity generated from offshore wind facilities.

Introduced 01/31/23  
Status Assembly Utilities and Energy Committee

**SB 420 (Becker) Electricity: electrical transmission facility projects**

This bill would require the Governor to identify a lead agency to monitor clean energy and electrical transmission planning and deployment, and require that agency to identify those electrical transmission facility projects necessary to maintain system reliability and to meet specified targets. Those projects would qualify for a streamlined approval process under the Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2021. In a proceeding to determine whether to issue certificates of public convenience and necessity for those projects, the bill would establish a rebuttable presumption that the project is necessary if certain requirements related to the Independent System Operator are satisfied.

Introduced 02/09/23  
Status Senate Environmental Quality Committee.

**AB 547 (Alanis) Distribution of energy resources**

This is a spot bill related to the distribution of energy resources throughout the state.

Introduced 02/08/23  
Status Senate Rules Committee.



**SB 605 (Padilla) Wave and tidal energy**

This bill would require the Energy Commission, CDFW and other government entities to conduct a comprehensive study to evaluate the feasibility and benefits of ocean wave and tidal energy.

Introduced                    02/15/23  
Status                         Senate Rules Committee

**AB 772 (Jackson) Electric vehicle charging stations**

This bill would require all new single-family homes constructed after January 1, 2025, to include a rapid compact electric vehicle charger. The bill would also require utility companies to install electric vehicle charging stations upon request of a homeowner after January 1, 2025. The bill would also establish a fund administered by the PUC for reimbursing installation costs to utilities.

Introduced                    02/13/23  
Status                         Assembly Rules Committee

**SB 559 (Min) Offshore oil drilling: leases**

This bill would require the State Lands Commission to undertake negotiations with oil and gas lessees for the voluntary relinquishment of oil and gas production associated with leases on state lands.

Introduced                    02/15/23  
Status                         Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

**AB 1548 (Hart) Coastal Resources and Energy Assistance Act**

This is a spot bill in the Coastal Resources and Energy Assistance Act. Existing law authorizes the Resources Secretary to award grants to coastal counties and cities for the purposes of planning, assessment, mitigation, permitting, monitoring and enforcement, public services and facilities, and other activities related to offshore energy development.

Introduced                    02/17/23  
Status                         Assembly Rules Committee

## HOUSING

### **SB 4 (Wiener) Planning and zoning: housing development; higher education and religious institutions**

This bill would require provide that a housing development project that is 100% available to lower income and moderate income households would be a use by right on any land owned by an independent institution of higher education or religious institution that was in their ownership prior to January 1, 2024, if the project meets objective zoning standards, is at least ¼ acre in size, the applicant hires skilled and trained labor, and is located within ½ mile of a major transit stop, a high quality corridor, or within one block of a car-share vehicle. *Amendments of 02/22/23 allow up to 5% of the housing to be available to staff of the institution if made available at an affordable rate.*

Introduced                    12/05/23  
Last Amended                02/22/23  
Status                         Senate Rules Committee

### **SB 17 (Caballero) Senior housing**

This bill states that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would create new opportunities for the development of affordable senior housing.

Introduced                    12/05/22  
Status                         Senate Rules Committee

### **SB 18 (McGuire) Housing programs: tribal housing**

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to create and fund a tribal housing program that promotes construction and rehabilitation of homes for rent and sale, specifically for tribal communities.

Introduced                    12/05/22  
Status                         Senate Rules Committee

### **AB 49 (Soria) Affordable housing**

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would increase the supply of affordable housing and reduce homelessness.

Introduced                    12/05/22  
Status                         Senate Rules Committee

### **AB 68 (Ward) Housing**

This is a spot bill related to housing.

Introduced                    12/08/22  
Status                         Assembly Rules Committee

**SB 91 (Umberg) CEQA exemption: CEQA; supportive housing; motel conversion**

This bill would remove the January 1, 2025 sunset date for the CEQA exemption that currently applies to conversion of hotels and motels for transitional and support housing.

Introduced 01/17/23  
Status Senate Environmental Quality Committee

**SB 240 (Ochoa Bogh) Surplus state property**

This bill would remove the current authorization for a local government or a non-profit affordable housing sponsor to be considered a priority purchaser of surplus state property if it can be demonstrated that the property would be used for a park or open space. The bill would also remove the state's authorization to transfer surplus state real property to a local agency for less than fair market value if the agency proposes to use the surplus state real property for parks or open-space purposes.

Introduced 01/25/23  
Status Senate Governmental Organization Committee

**SB 423 (Wiener) Land use: streamlined housing approvals; multifamily**

This bill would allow the Department of General Services to act in place of a local government for the purpose of considering streamlined, ministerial review and approval of a multi-family housing project on state-owned lands. **The bill would also repeal the provision in existing law that precludes the streamlined approval process from applying in the coastal zone.** The effect of this would be that a multifamily housing project would be "deemed consistent" and not subject to a coastal development permit if it provides a variable minimum amount of affordable housing, and meets the objective zoning standards of the General Plan. The bill would also allow development in wetlands or critical habitat for listed species if development has been authorized by federal or other state law.

Introduced 02/13/23  
Status Senate Housing Committee

**AB 930 (Friedman) Local government: Reinvestment in Infrastructure for a Sustainable and Equitable California (RISE) districts.**

This bill would authorize two or more local agencies to form a Reinvestment in Infrastructure for a Sustainable and Equitable California district (RISE district) to finance infill residential projects, provided that 20% of the units are affordable to low- and moderate-income families, and construction workers are paid prevailing wage. The bill would create a low interest revolving loan fund, administered by Go-Biz, for start-up grants to RISE districts, and require OPR to develop standards for the development of RISE districts.

Introduced 02/14/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**AB 1630 (Garcia) Planning and zoning: development: student housing projects**

This bill would make student housing a use by right within ½ mile of a university campus, provided that 50% of the units are occupied by students of that university.

Introduced 02/17/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**WATER**

**ACA 2 (Alanis) Water and Wildfire Resiliency Act of 2023**

This measure would establish the Water and Wildfire Resiliency Fund, and would require the Treasurer to annually transfer an amount equal to 3% of all state General Fund revenues to the WWR Fund. The measure would require that 50% of the moneys in the fund be used for water projects, including desalination, recycling, conveyance and drinking water quality projects. The other 50% of the moneys in the fund would be used for forest maintenance and health projects, including fuel breaks, fuel reduction, home hardening and workforce training.

Introduced 12/05/22  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**SB 23 (Caballero) Water supply and flood risk reduction projects: expedited permitting**

This bill would make substantial revisions to the process, timelines, and standard of review by which CDFW, SWRCB and RWQCBs review and approve water supply and flood risk projects, with the objective of reducing timelines and environmental requirements to 180 days. The bill would also authorize any state agency to enter into agreements with project proponents to recover costs for expedited review of environmental documents with the goal of completing permit review and approval in an expeditious manner; and hire or compensate staff or contract for services needed to complete permit review and approval in an expeditious manner.

Introduced 12/05/22  
Last Amended 02/09/23  
Status Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

**AB 66 (Mathis) Natural Resources Agency: water storage: permit approval**

This bill would require every department, board, conservancy, and commission within the CNRA to approve the necessary permits for water storage projects within 180 days from receiving the permit application. If the permit approval does not occur within this time period, the permit would be deemed approved.

Introduced 12/06/22  
Status Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee

**[AB 345 \(Wilson\) Habitat restoration: flood control: advance payments](#)**

This bill would authorize DWR to provide advance payments to local agencies for projects to restore habitat for threatened and endangered species or flood protection.

Introduced 01/31/23  
Status Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife Committee.

**[AB 859 \(Gallagher\) Hunting: navigable waters](#)**

This bill would authorize the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to provide advance payments to local agencies for projects that restore habitat for threatened and endangered species or improve flood protection.

Introduced 02/14/23  
Status Assembly Water Parks and Wildlife Committee.

**[AB 1567 \(Garcia\) Watershed, Clean Beaches, and Water Quality Act: beaches: water quality.](#)**

This bill would require the State Water Resources Control Board to identify and implement projects to improve beach access and address ocean water quality on public beaches that experience bacteria levels that exceed public health standards, whether the source is from urban runoff or transboundary flows.

Introduced 02/17/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee.

**EQUITY, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE & TRIBES**

**[AB 437 \(Jackson\) State government: equity](#)**

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish a statewide definition of equity to ensure that legislation, policies, resources, and systemic practices empower and meet the needs of diverse and underserved populations.

Introduced 02/06/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**[AB 1077 \(Jackson\) State agencies and counties: antiracism audits](#)**

This bill would require the State Controller to conduct comprehensive antiracism audits, on all state agencies and counties. The bill would require each state agency and county, to establish and implement an action plan within one year of the audit to rectify deficiencies in efforts to identify and dismantle racist practices, policies, and attitudes identified by the audit. If the Controller determines that appropriate progress has not been made by a state agency or county toward rectifying deficiencies within 3 years, the Controller may impose a civil penalty or to bring a court action.

Introduced 02/15/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**[AB 1150 \(Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee\) Department of Parks and Recreation: community access agreements: interpretive and visitor services](#)**

This bill would authorize the Department of Parks and Recreation to enter into community access agreements with non-profit organizations and Native American tribes to provide interpretive and visitor services to underserved populations at state parks. It would authorize a community access agreement to offer free or reduced-cost access to members of the public participating in interpretive services and visitor services offered by the organization.

Introduced 02/16/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**[AB 1284 \(Ramos\) Tribal ancestral lands and waters](#)**

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation authorizing CNRA to enter into co-governance and management agreements with federally recognized tribes.

Introduced 02/16/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**[SB 1495 \(Nguyen\) Office of Tribal Affairs](#)**

This bill would establish the Office of Tribal Affairs within the Governor's office, managed by the Secretary of the Office of Tribal Affairs. The bill would also establish a Deputy of Tribal Affairs and a Tribal Advisor position in every state agency, department, or commission, and in every constitutional office. The bill would require the Governor to appoint a Tribal Advisory Committee, to advise the Secretary of Tribal Affairs.

Introduced 02/17/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**TRANSPORTATION**

**[SB 84 \(Gonzalez\) Clean Transportation Program](#)**

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation related to the Clean Transportation Program.

Introduced 01/13/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**[AB 692 \(Patterson\) CEQA: exemptions: egress route projects: fire safety](#)**

This bill would provide a CEQA exemption for the construction of secondary egress routes to improve emergency access for communities identified by CalFire.

Introduced 02/13/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**[AB 887 \(Bonta\) Floating home marinas](#)**

This is a spot bill in the Floating Home Residency Law.

Introduced 02/14/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**[AB 894 \(Friedman\) Parking requirements: shared parking](#)**

This bill would require public agencies to share underutilized parking spaces with other users, if 20% or more of the dedicated parking is unused during the time that additional parking is desired by other users.

Introduced 02/14/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**[AB 953 \(Connolly\) Coastal resources: voluntary vessel speed reduction](#)**

This bill would require the OPC to implement a statewide voluntary vessel speed reduction in shipping corridors to reduce whale strikes, air pollution and underwater acoustic impacts.

Introduced 02/14/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**[AB 677 \(Blakespear\) Intercity rail: LOSSAN Rail Corridor](#)**

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to the LOSSAN rail corridor.

Introduced 02/16/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**BOND ACTS**

**[AB 305 \(Villapudua\) California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024](#)**

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact a general obligation bond act, in an unspecified amount, that would be known as the California Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024, and would be submitted to the voters at the next general election.

Introduced 01/26/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**[SB 638 \(Eggman\) Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024](#)**

This bill would enact the Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024 which, if approved by the voters in the November 5, 2024 general election, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,500,000,000, for flood protection and climate resiliency projects.

Introduced 02/16/23  
Status Senate Rules Committee

**[SB 867 \(Allen\) Drought and Water Resilience, Wildfire and Forest Resilience, Coastal Resilience, Extreme Heat Mitigation, Biodiversity and Nature-Based Climate Solutions, Climate Smart Agriculture, and Park Creation and Outdoor Access Bond Act of 2023.](#)**

This bill would enact the above-referenced bond act which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in an unspecified amount to finance projects for drought and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate smart agriculture, and park creation and outdoor access programs.

Introduced 02/17/23  
Status Senate Rules Committee

**[AB 1596 \(Alvarez\) Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2023.](#)**

This bill would enact the above-referenced bond act which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in in the amount of \$15,105,000,000 for safe drinking water, wildfire prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, extreme heat mitigation, and workforce development programs.

Introduced 02/17/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

**[AB 433 \(Jackson\) State and county funded grants: advance payments](#)**

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to expedite the regulatory permitting process for water supply and flood risk reduction projects.

Introduced 02/06/23  
Status Assembly Rules Committee



**AB 469 (V. Fong) California Public Records Act Ombudsman**

This bill would create a Public Records Act Ombudsperson within the office of the State Auditor. The office would receive requests to investigate cases where a member of the public believes a Public Records Act request has been improperly denied. The Ombudsperson would have the authority to require the release of records found to be improperly denied. Agencies found to have improperly withheld records may be required to reimburse the office for its expenses. The bill would require the Ombudsperson to submit a report to the Legislature by January 1, 2025 and every year thereafter.

Introduced                    02/06/23  
Status                         Assembly Accountability and Administrative Review Committee

**SB 411 (Portantino) Open meetings: teleconferences: bodies with appointed membership**

This bill would make permanent the alternate teleconferencing provisions from Governor’s Emergency Order related to the Brown Act, currently set to expire on January 1, 2024, without regard to a state of emergency. The bill would apply to a board, commission, or advisory body of a local agency, whose members are appointed, and that is otherwise subject to the Act.

Introduced                    02/09/23  
Status                         Senate Rules Committee

**AB 557 (Hart) Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences**

This bill would extend provisions of the Governor’s Executive Order related to the Brown Act from January 1, 2024, to January 1, 2026, allowing local agencies to conduct public meetings without the need to adhere to post notice each teleconference location of each member that will be participating in the public meeting, post an agenda at each teleconference location, or to require that at least a quorum of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the local agency’s jurisdiction.

Introduced                    02/09/23  
Status                         Senate Rules Committee

**AB 749 (Irwin) State agencies: information security: uniform standards**

This bill would require every state agency to make specified cyber-security upgrades by January 1, 2025.

Introduced                    02/13/23  
Status                         Assembly Privacy and Consumer Protection Committee

**AB 820 (Reyes) State boards and commissions: appointments**

This bill states the intent of the Legislature to increase representation of older people on state boards and commissions.

Introduced:                    02/13/23  
Status                         Assembly Rules Committee