



Legislative Update

Background

Kasey Schimke, the Department of Water Resources' (DWR) Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs, will update the Commission on new policy and budget committee assignments in the State Assembly and Senate, and provide information on legislation that has been introduced in the 2013-14 Legislative Session related to the activities and mission of DWR and the Water Commission.

Three bills to make changes to the Safe, Clean, and Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2012 and the water bond currently on the 2014 statewide ballot, have been introduced. They are Senate Bill 36 by Sen. Michael Rubio (D-Bakersfield) which would declare legislative intent to reduce the amount of the current 2014 water bond; Senate Bill 40 by Sen. Fran Pavley (D-Agoura Hills) which would declare legislative intent to reduce and potentially refocus the current water bond; and Senate Bill 42 by Sen. Lois Wolk (D-Davis) which would repeal statutory language that created the current bond act and enact the California Clean, Secure Water Supply and Delta Recovery Act of 2014.

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