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[AB 2050](#) ([Caballero D](#)) **Small System Water Authority Act of 2018.**

**Current Text:** Enrollment: 9/5/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/6/2018

**Last Amended:** 8/6/2018

**Status:** 9/5/2018-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3 p.m.

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**Summary:**

Would create the Small System Water Authority Act of 2018 and state legislative findings and declarations relating to authorizing the creation of small system water authorities that will have powers to absorb, improve, and competently operate noncompliant public water systems. The bill, no later than March 1, 2019, would require the state board to provide written notice to cure to all public agencies, private water companies, or mutual water companies that operate a public water system that has either less than 3,000 service connections or that serves less than 10,000 people, and are not in compliance, for 4 consecutive quarters, with one or more state or federal primary drinking water standard maximum contaminant levels as of December 31, 2018, as specified.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support Letter June 2018](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** LAFCo Administration, Municipal Services, Water

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill is sponsored by Eastern Municipal Water District and the CA Municipal Utilities Assoc. The intent is to give the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) authority to mandate the dissolution of existing drinking water systems (public, mutual and private) and authorize the formation of a new public water authority. The focus is on non contiguous systems. The SWRCB already has the authority to mandate consolidation of these systems, this will add the authority to mandate dissolution and formation of a new public agency.

LAFCo will be responsible for dissolving any state mandated public agency dissolution, and the formation of the new water authority. The SWRCB's appointed Administrator will act as the applicant on behalf of the state. LAFCo will have ability to approve with modifications the application, and the new agency will have to report to the LAFCo annually for the first 3 years.

[AB 2238](#) ([Aguiar-Curry D](#)) **Local agency formation: regional housing need allocation: fire hazards: local health emergencies: hazardous and medical waste.**

**Current Text:** Enrollment: 9/10/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2018

**Last Amended:** 8/24/2018

**Status:** 9/10/2018-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3:30 p.m.

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**Summary:**

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 provides the authority and procedures for the initiation, conduct, and completion of changes of organization and reorganization of cities and districts. The act specifies the factors that a local agency formation commission is required to consider in the review of a proposal for a change of organization or reorganization, including, among other things, per capita assessed valuation and the proposal's consistency with city or county general and specific plans. This bill would require the commission to consider the assessed valuation rather than per capita assessed valuation.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support Letter May 2018](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** Climate Change, Growth Management

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill seeks to add another factor for LAFCo consideration in the review of a proposal. That factor is information contained in a local hazard mitigation plan, information contained in a safety element of a general plan, and any maps that identify land as a very high fire hazard zone pursuant to Section 51178 or maps that identify land determined to be in a state responsibility area pursuant to Section 4102 of the Public Resources Code, if it is determined that such information is relevant to the area that is the subject of the proposal.

The bill also adds two non-LAFCo-related sections pertaining to the update of a housing element.

This bill is in response to the rash of wildfires throughout the state over the past several years and the ongoing threat of same as a result of climate change.

**[AB 2258](#) (Caballero D) Local agency formation commissions: grant program.**

**Current Text:** Enrollment: 9/10/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2018

**Last Amended:** 8/24/2018

**Status:** 9/10/2018-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3:30 p.m.

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**Summary:**

Would require the Strategic Growth Council, until July 31, 2024, to establish and administer a local agency formation commissions grant program for the payment of costs associated with initiating and completing the dissolution of districts listed as inactive, the payment of costs associated with a study of the services provided within a county by a public agency to a disadvantaged community, as defined, and for other specified purposes, including the initiation of an action, as defined, that is limited to service providers serving a disadvantaged community and is based on determinations found in the study, as approved by the commission.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support March 2018](#)

[CALAFCO Support March 2018](#)

**Position:** Sponsor

**Subject:** Other

**CALAFCO Comments:** This is a CALAFCO sponsored bill following up on the recommendation of the Little Hoover Commission report of 2017 for the Legislature to provide LAFCo one-time grant funding for in-depth studies of potential reorganization of local service providers. The Strategic Growth Council (SGC) will administer the grant program. Grant funds will be used specifically for conducting special studies to identify and support opportunities to create greater efficiencies in the provision of municipal services; to potentially initiate actions based on those studies that remove or reduce local costs thus incentivizing local agencies to work with the LAFCo in developing and implementing reorganization plans; and the dissolution of inactive districts (pursuant to SB 448, Wieckowski, 2017). The grant program would sunset on July 31, 2024.

The bill also changes the protest threshold for LAFCo initiated actions, solely for the purposes of actions funded pursuant to this new section. It allows LAFCo to order the dissolution of a district (outside of the ones identified by the SCO) pursuant to Section 11221 of the Elections code, which is a tiered approach based on registered voters in the affected territory (from 30% down to 10% depending).

Amendments taken in Senate Governance & Finance and Natural Resources & Water narrow the scope of the bill to focus on service providers serving disadvantaged communities; requires LAFCo pay back grant funds in their entirety if the study is not completed within two years; and requires the SGC to give preference to LAFCos whose decisions have been aligned with the goals of sustainable communities strategies.

Recent amendments remove the fiscal portion of the bill, which was \$1.5 million over 5 years. The bill is now based on an appropriation in the annual Budget Act. CALAFCO will attempt again next year to get the funding into the budget. The grant program will be in place pending the funding.

**AB 2600 (Flora R) Regional park and open space districts.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 8/28/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/15/2018

**Last Amended:** 6/26/2018

**Status:** 8/27/2018-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 218, Statutes of 2018.

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**Summary:**

Current law authorizes proceedings for the formation of a regional park, park and open-space, or open-space district to be initiated pursuant to a petition signed by at least 5,000 electors residing within the proposed district territory and presented to the county board of supervisors, as specified. Existing law also authorizes proceedings for district formation in specified counties to be initiated by resolution of the county board of supervisors adopted after a noticed hearing, and specifies the contents of the resolution. This bill would, in lieu of the petition described above, authorize the formation of a district by the adoption of a resolution of application by the legislative body of any county or city that contains the territory proposed to be included in the district.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support March 2018](#)

**Position:** Support

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill would expand the process of initiating the formation of a regional pack and open space district by adding that a local governing body may adopt a resolution proposing to form a new district. This would be in lieu of having a 5,000 signature petition. The LAFCo process remains intact.

The intent of this bill is to create an easier way (not to replace but in addition to existing process) to proposed the formation of these types of districts, thereby removing the need for special legislation to do so. The bill is author-sponsored.

**AB 3254 (Committee on Local Government) Local government organization: omnibus.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 7/9/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 3/14/2018

**Last Amended:** 5/17/2018

**Status:** 7/9/2018-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 86, Statutes of 2018.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:**

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (the Act) provides the authority and procedure for the initiation, conduct, and completion of changes of organization, reorganization, and sphere of influence changes for cities and districts, as specified. Current law defines various terms for purposes of that Act, including the terms “affected territory” and “inhabited territory.” This bill would revise those definitions to include territory that is to receive extended services from a local agency, and additionally define the term “uninhabited territory” for purposes of the Act.

**Attachments:**

[Request Governor Signature June 2018](#)

[CALAFCO Support](#)

**Position:** Sponsor

**CALAFCO Comments:** This is the annual Assembly Local Government Committee Omnibus bill, sponsored by CALAFCO. Amendments are pending to add several items.

**SB 1215 (Hertzberg D) Provision of sewer service: disadvantaged communities.**

**Current Text:** Enrollment: 9/12/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/15/2018

**Last Amended:** 8/24/2018

**Status:** 9/12/2018-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 5 p.m.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:**

The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act requires each California regional water quality control board to adopt water quality control plans and to establish water quality objectives in those plans, considering certain factors, to ensure the reasonable protection of beneficial uses and the prevention of nuisance. This bill would, except as provided, authorize the regional board to order the provision of sewer service by a special district, city, or county to a disadvantaged community, as defined, under specified circumstances. By authorizing the regional board to

require a special district, city, or county to provide sewer service, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Coalition Oppose Floor Alert August 2018](#)

**Position:** Oppose

**Subject:** Disadvantaged Communities, Water

**CALAFCO Comments:** As amended, this bill authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to mandate extension of service or consolidation of wastewater systems - both public and private, under certain circumstances. The process mirrors the process set forth in SB 88 giving the SWRCB authority to mandate the same for drinking water systems. However, the bill allows for an extension up to 3 miles with no requirements for annexation of the territory; does not provide a definitive source of funding; does not require those will failing systems to connect to the new system; and charges opt-out fees to those who do not.

CALAFCO attempted to work with the author's office on the primary issues of annexation and the allowable extension limit, but were unsuccessful in securing those amendments. As a result, we joined with CASA, CSDA, CSCA, RCRC and the League to oppose.

**SB 1496 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 6/1/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 3/1/2018

**Status:** 6/1/2018-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 23, Statutes of 2018.

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**Summary:**

This bill would enact the Second Validating Act of 2018, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities, and specified districts, agencies, and entities.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support March 2018](#)

**Position:** Support

**SB 1497 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 6/1/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 3/1/2018

**Status:** 6/1/2018-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 24, Statutes of 2018.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:**

This bill would enact the First Validating Act of 2018, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities, and specified districts, agencies, and entities. This bill contains other related provisions.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support March 2018](#)

**Position:** Support  
**Subject:** LAFCo Administration

**SB 1499 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 6/1/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 3/1/2018

**Status:** 6/1/2018-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 25, Statutes of 2018.

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**Summary:**

This bill would enact the Third Validating Act of 2018, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities, and specified districts, agencies, and entities.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support March 2018](#)

**Position:** Support  
**Subject:** LAFCo Administration

**AB 2268 (Reyes D) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocations: vehicle license fee adjustments.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/16/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2018

**Last Amended:** 4/16/2018

**Status:** 5/25/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(8). (Last location was A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/2/2018)

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**Summary:**

for the 2018–19 fiscal year, would require the vehicle license fee adjustment amount to be the sum of the vehicle license fee adjustment amount in the 2017–18 fiscal year, the product of that sum and the percentage change in gross taxable assessed valuation within the jurisdiction of that entity between the 2017–18 fiscal year to the 2018–19 fiscal year, and the product of the amount of specified motor vehicle license fee revenues that the Controller allocated to the applicable city in July 2010 and 1.17.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support Letter May 2018](#)

**Position:** Support  
**Subject:** Tax Allocation

**CALAFCO Comments:** Sponsored by the League, this bill would have reinstated ERAF funding for inhabited annexations.

**[AB 2491](#) (Cooley D) Local government finance: vehicle license fee adjustment amounts.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/2/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/14/2018

**Last Amended:** 4/2/2018

**Status:** 5/25/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(8). (Last location was A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 4/25/2018)

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**Summary:**

Would establish a separate vehicle license fee adjustment amount for a city incorporating after January 1, 2012, including an additional separate vehicle license fee adjustment amount for the first fiscal year of incorporation and for the next 4 fiscal years thereafter. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support March 2018](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** Tax Allocation

**CALAFCO Comments:** Sponsored by the League, this bill would have reinstated ERAF funding for cities incorporating after 2017.

**[AB 2501](#) (Chu D) Drinking water: state administrators: consolidation and extension of service.**

**Current Text:** Enrollment: 9/12/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/14/2018

**Last Amended:** 8/24/2018

**Status:** 9/12/2018-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 12 p.m.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:**

The California Safe Drinking Water Act requires the State Water Resources Control Board, before ordering consolidation or extension of service, to fulfill certain requirements, including, among other things, to hold a public meeting, and to establish a reasonable deadline, as prescribed, for a potentially receiving water system and a potentially subsumed water system to negotiate consolidation or another means of providing an adequate supply of affordable, safe drinking water. The act requires the state board to conduct a public hearing at the expiration of the reasonable deadline, as specified. This bill would revise and recast these provisions.

**Position:** Watch With Concerns

**Subject:** Disadvantaged Communities, Water

**[AB 1577](#) (Gipson D) California Safe Drinking Water Act: Sativa-Los Angeles County Water District.**

**Current Text:** Enrollment: 9/11/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2017

**Last Amended:** 8/24/2018

**Status:** 9/11/2018-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 4:30 p.m.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	<b>Enrolled</b>	Vetoed	Chaptered
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**Summary:**

The California Safe Drinking Water Act provides for the operation of public water systems and imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various responsibilities and duties. The act authorizes the state board to order consolidation with a receiving water system where a public water system or a state small water system, serving a disadvantaged community, consistently fails to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water. This bill would require the state board to order the Santa-Los Angeles County Water District to accept administrative and managerial services, including full management and control, from an administrator selected by the state board.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support Letter June 2018](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** Disincorporation/dissolution, Water

**[AB 1889](#) (Caballero D) Santa Clara Valley Water District.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/5/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/18/2018

**Last Amended:** 7/3/2018

**Status:** 9/5/2018-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 251, Statutes of 2018.

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**Summary:**

The Santa Clara Valley Water District Act authorizes the district to impose special taxes at minimum rates according to land use category and size. The district act authorizes the district to provide an exemption from these taxes for residential parcels owned and occupied by one or more taxpayers who are at least 65 years of age, or who qualify as totally disabled, if the household income is less than an amount approved by the voters of the district. This bill would authorize the district to require a taxpayer seeking an exemption from these special taxes to verify his or her age, disability status, or household income, as prescribed.

**Position:** Watch

**[AB 2019](#) (Aguilar-Curry D) Health care districts.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/5/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/5/2018

**Last Amended:** 8/15/2018**Status:** 9/5/2018-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 257, Statutes of 2018.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	<b>Chaptered</b>
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**Summary:**

The Local Health Care District Law provides for local health care districts that govern certain health care facilities. Each health care district has a board of directors with specific duties and powers respecting the creation, administration, and maintenance of the district. Current law requires the board of directors to establish and maintain an Internet Web site that may include specified



information, such as a list of current board members and recipients of grant funding or assistance provided by the district, if any, and to adopt annual policies for providing assistance or grant funding, as specified. This bill would require the board of directors to include specified information, such as the district's policy for providing assistance or grant funding, on the district's Internet Web site.

**Position:** Watch

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill places a number of statutory requirements on healthcare districts (HCDs). One provision that directly affects LAFCo is the HCDs will be required to notify their respective LAFCo when they file for bankruptcy.

**AB 2179 (Gipson D) Municipal corporations: public utility service: water and sewer service.**

**Current Text:** Enrollment: 9/6/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/12/2018

**Last Amended:** 8/15/2018

**Status:** 9/6/2018-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3 p.m.

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**Summary:**

Current law authorizes a municipal corporation to sell or dispose of any public utility it owns. Current law requires that a resolution authorizing the sale of a public utility be passed by 2/3 of the members of the legislative body of the municipal corporation and be passed by a 2/3 vote of all voters voting at an election to authorize the sale in the ordinance calling the election. Current law establishes an alternative procedure whereby a municipal corporation can lease, sell, or transfer that portion of a water utility used for furnishing water service outside the boundaries of the municipal corporation. This bill would additionally authorize a municipal corporation to utilize the alternative procedures to lease, sell, or transfer that portion of a municipal utility used for furnishing sewer service outside the boundaries of the municipal corporation.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Municipal Services

**AB 2262 (Wood D) Coast Life Support District Act: urgent medical care services.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/16/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2018

**Last Amended:** 4/16/2018

**Status:** 8/31/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(18). (Last location was S. INACTIVE FILE on 8/31/2018)

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	<b>Dead</b>	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered	
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**Summary:**

Current law, the Coast Life Support District Act, establishes the Coast Life Support District and specifies the powers of the district. The district is authorized, among other things, to supply the inhabitants of the district emergency medical services, as specified. This bill would additionally authorize the district to provide urgent medical care services.

**Attachments:**

- [CALAFCO Oppose Unless Amended](#)
- [CALAFCO Support as amended](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** LAFCo Administration, Special District Powers

**CALAFCO Comments:** This is a single district bill in which the district is seeking to add the power of providing urgent care (actually to codify powers they have been performing for a number of years). As amended, the bill cleans up the outdated reference to the Act and adds a provision requiring the district to seek LAFCo approval to activate the new power. As a result of these amendments, CALAFCO has removed our opposition and now supports the bill.

**AB 2339 (Gipson D) Water utility service: sale of water utility property by a city.**

**Current Text:** Enrollment: 9/6/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/13/2018

**Last Amended:** 8/15/2018

**Status:** 9/6/2018-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3 p.m.

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**Summary:**

Would authorize the City of El Monte, the City of Montebello, and the City of Willows, until January 1, 2022, to sell its public utility for furnishing water service for the purpose of consolidating its public water system with another public water system pursuant to the specified procedures, only if the potentially subsumed water system is wholly within the boundaries of the city, if the city determines that it is uneconomical and not in the public interest to own and operate the public utility, and if certain requirements are met. The bill would prohibit the city from selling the public utility for one year if 50% of interested persons, as defined, protest the sale.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Water

**SB 522 (Glazer D) West Contra Costa Healthcare District.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 7/18/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/16/2017

**Last Amended:** 1/3/2018

**Status:** 7/18/2018-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 133, Statutes of 2018.

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**Summary:**

Current law provides for the formation of local health care districts and specifies district powers. Under existing law, the elective officers of a local health care district consist of a board of hospital directors consisting of 5 members, each of whom is required to be a registered voter residing in the district and whose term shall be 4 years, except as specified. This bill would dissolve the existing elected board of directors of the West Contra Costa Healthcare District, effective January 1, 2019, and would require the Board of Supervisors of the County of Contra Costa, at its election, to either serve as the district board or appoint a district board, as specified.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Special Districts Governance

**SB 561 (Gaines R) Fallen Leaf Lake Community Services District: State audit.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/26/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2017

**Last Amended:** 6/26/2018

**Status:** 8/17/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(15). (Last location was A. APPR. on 6/28/2018)

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**Summary:**

Current law requires the county auditor to either perform an audit, or contract with a certified public accountant or public accountant to perform an audit, of the accounts and records of every special district within the county, as specified. Current law authorizes a special district, by unanimous request of its governing board and unanimous approval by the board of supervisors, to replace the annual audit with an audit over a longer period of time or with a financial review, as specified. This bill would require, by August 1, 2019, the California State Auditor to complete an audit of the Fallen Leaf Lake Community Services District that includes, among other things, an analysis of the district's financial condition and ongoing financial viability.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Special Districts Governance

**SB 623 (Monning D) Water quality: Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 8/21/2017 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2017

**Last Amended:** 8/21/2017

**Status:** 8/31/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(18). (Last location was A. RLS. on 9/1/2017)

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**Summary:**

Would establish the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund in the State Treasury and would provide that moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the State Water Resources Control Board. The bill would require the board to administer the fund to secure access to safe drinking water for all Californians, while also ensuring the long-term sustainability of drinking water service and infrastructure. The bill would authorize the state board to provide for the deposit into the fund of federal contributions, voluntary contributions, gifts, grants, bequests, and settlements from parties responsible for contamination of drinking water supplies.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Water

**SB 778 (Hertzberg D) Water systems: consolidations: administrative and managerial services.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/13/2017 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 2/17/2017

**Last Amended:** 7/13/2017

**Status:** 8/17/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(15). (Last location was A. 2 YEAR on 9/1/2017)

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**Summary:**

Would require, on or before March 1, 2018, and regularly thereafter, as specified, the State Water Resources Control Board to track and publish on its Internet Web site an analysis of all voluntary and ordered consolidations of water systems that have occurred on or after July 1, 2014. The bill would require the published information to include the resulting outcomes of the consolidations and whether the consolidations have succeeded or failed in providing an adequate supply of safe drinking water to the communities served by the consolidated water systems.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Municipal Services

**SB 929 (McGuire D) Special districts: Internet Web sites.**

**Current Text:** Enrollment: 8/28/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Introduced:** 1/25/2018

**Last Amended:** 8/16/2018

**Status:** 8/28/2018-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 3:30 p.m.

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**Summary:**

The California Public Records Act requires a local agency to make public records available for inspection and allows a local agency to comply by posting the record on its Internet Web site and directing a member of the public to the Internet Web site, as specified. This bill would, beginning on January 1, 2020, require every independent special district to maintain an Internet Web site that clearly lists contact information for the special district, except as provided. Because this bill would require local agencies to provide a new service, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support letter May 2018](#)

**Position:** Support

**SB 1498 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Local Government Omnibus Act of 2018.**

**Current Text:** Enrollment: 8/30/2018 [html](#) [pdf](#)

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**Status:** 8/30/2018-Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 5 p.m.

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**Summary:**

Current law sets forth various provisions governing cities that reference various officers and employees. This bill would make these references gender neutral.

**Position:** Watch

**CALAFCO Comments:** This is the annual Senate Governance & Finance Committee Omnibus bill.