

EL DORADO LAFCO

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

AGENDA OF MARCH 26, 2008

REGULAR MEETING

TO: Francesca Loftis, Chair, and
Members of the El Dorado County Local Agency Formation
Commission

FROM: José C. Henríquez, Executive Officer

AGENDA ITEM #7A: OTHER BUSINESS – LEGISLATION

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission receive and review the following information regarding pending legislation possibly impacting LAFCOs.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDED ACTION

The attached legislation report (Attachment A) is intended to inform the Commission of current pending legislation.

BACKGROUND

The following is a list of the more interesting pieces of legislation that the Legislature will consider this year:

- AB 1998 (Romero) – Moves the requirement to file campaign disclosure forms from LAFCOs to the Fair Political Practices Commission.
- AB 2367 (Fuentes) – Extends the prohibition from changing the pre-zoning designation of recently annexed land from the current two years to five years. Affects city annexations only.
- AB 2278 (Aghazarian) – Currently State Law indicates that in annexations involving cities, the county and annexing city must negotiate their respective share of property taxes. In annexations involving special districts only, the county determines the property tax increments “in consultation” with the special districts. This bill would allow fire protection districts to negotiate a property tax increment in annexations involving them.
- AB 3047 (Caballero) – Also known as the “2008 CALAFCO Omnibus Bill.” This includes six items carried over from last year that could not be incorporated into the

2007 bill. The proposed changes are minor in nature and involve cleaning up the definitions for landowners, processing fees and island annexations.

- SB 301 (Romero) – Also known as the “Extension Of The VLF Sunset Date Bill.” SB 1602 (Laird) in 2006 provided a mechanism for vehicle in-lieu fees to be allocated to newly incorporated cities and annexations of inhabited territories to cities. The mechanism was needed to accommodate the gap created by Proposition 1A which eliminated VLF funding for new cities and annexations. This funding has a July 2009 sunset. The League has been able to get an agreement among its members to extend the sunset date by five years; however, the bill no longer contains seed money to help incorporation efforts. CALAFCO is soliciting letters of support from its members.
- SB 375 (Steinberg) – Also known as the “Sustainable Communities Strategy” bill. It provides incentives to local agencies for implement the “preferred model” growth scenario in regional council of governments’ (COG) transportation plans, similar to SACOG’s “Blueprint.” There is an uncertainty how LAFCOs fit into a COG-driven growth planning scenario.
- SB 1458 (Senate Committee on Local Government) – Also known as the CSA Rewrite Law. This bill revises the County Service Area Law, updates some of its provisions to bring it into conformity with other statutes, such as the Brown Act, the Political Reform Act and Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Act.

Attachment

Attachment A: Summary of Current LAFCO Legislation