

Staff Report 62

PROPOSED ACTION:

Discussion and possible action on state legislation relevant to the California State Lands Commission.

DISCUSSION:

The 2021-2022 legislative season is in full swing, with policy committees wrapping up hearings for bills that are keyed fiscal and the Appropriations committees hearing an increasingly large load of bills, many of which will be referred to the suspense file. The suspense file process, a part of the Appropriation Committee rules since the mid-1980s, is a way to consider the fiscal impacts to the State of legislation as a whole. The committee analysis indicates whether a bill's fiscal impacts meet the criteria for referral to the suspense file. The Appropriations committees have a vote-only suspense hearing before the deadline for fiscal committees to hear and report bills to the Floor. Bills are either moved to the Floor for consideration or held in committee. May 20 is the last day for the Assembly and Senate Appropriations committees to hear and report to the floor bills introduced in their house of origin, and May 27 is the last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house.

Below is a list of key bills that the Commission has adopted a position on or affect the Commission and following that is a list and description of the dozens of bills Commission staff is tracking.

[AB 1832](#) (Luz Rivas), the California Seabed Mining Prevention Act, would prohibit the Commission or a local trustee of granted public trust lands from issuing a lease or permit to extract or remove hard minerals from state waters subject to tidal influence, with certain exceptions. The bill, co-sponsored by the Monterey Bay Aquarium and the Surfrider Foundation, is modeled on legislation enacted in the State of Washington last year and is intended to proactively safeguard thousands of miles of seafloor and habitat. Item 63 on the April Commission meeting agenda recommends that the Commission adopt a support position on this legislation.

[SB 953](#) (Min) requires the Commission to terminate all remaining offshore oil and gas leases under its jurisdiction by December 31, 2023. In October 2021, an underwater pipeline operated by Amplify Energy Corp ruptured, spilling nearly 25,000 gallons of

oil into the Pacific Ocean and causing beach closures, damaging the environment, and harming the regional and state coastal economies. The spill triggered an outcry from elected officials, environmental groups, and others to end offshore oil and gas development. At a rally after the spill, Senator Min promised to introduce legislation to end all offshore drilling off the coast of California. Four months later, he introduced SB 953.

[AB 2109](#) (Bennett and Bloom) would make it unlawful to use bait, lure, or chum to attract a white shark or to place bait, lure, or chum into the water when a white shark is visible or known to be present except if the activity is authorized by a permit issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for scientific, educational, or propagation purposes. Item 64 on the Commission's April meeting agenda recommends that the Commission adopt a support position on this bill.

[AB 2257](#) (Boerner-Horvath), sponsored by Commission Chair and California State Controller Betty Yee, would direct the Commission to develop a cost study that quantifies the fiscal impact of a voluntary buy-out of the remaining lease interests in the State's 11 actively producing offshore oil and gas leases. The Commission adopted a support position on AB 2257 at its February meeting.

[AB 353](#) (O'Donnell) would remove the \$300 million cap in the Oil Trust Fund, resuming deposits from the state's share of Long Beach oil operation revenues until the Fund reaches a balance that will cover the state's abandonment liabilities. The Commission adopted a support position on AB 353 at its February meeting.

[SB 1065](#) (Eggman) would establish an abandoned and derelict commercial vessel program within the California Natural Resources Agency and require the Commission to administer the program. The bill would also ban vessels at risk of becoming derelict from occupying state waters and authorize peace officers and fish and game wardens to remove or seize these vessels and fine the owners.

[SB 1078](#) (Allen) would create a sea level rise revolving loan program applicable to communities disproportionately impacted by climate change. The bill requires the Ocean Protection Council to develop a Sea Level Rise Revolving Loan Pilot Program that would provide low-interest loans to local jurisdictions to purchase vulnerable coastal property located in low-income communities, communities of color, tribal communities, and other disproportionately affected communities and populations who bear the brunt of impacts from climate change. SB 1078, like last year's bill (SB 83, Allen, vetoed) includes the Commission as one of the agencies the

Ocean Protection Council must coordinate with when determining eligibility criteria for vulnerable coastal properties to qualify for funding under the loan program.

[AB 2607](#) (Ting) enables the City of San Francisco to acquire land to build a new firefighter training facility that would replace an existing training facility that will become unavailable in 2025. The bill would authorize the Commission to convey certain land to the City of San Francisco free of the Public Trust and Burton Act trust requirements—subject to the Commission making certain findings.

TRACKED BILLS

AQUACULTURE

[AB 303](#) ([RIVAS, ROBERT D](#)) **AQUACULTURE: MARICULTURE PRODUCTION AND RESTORATION: PILOT PROGRAM.**

Status: Hearing cancelled at the request of the author

Summary: This bill would require the Department of Fish and Wildlife to create a shellfish and seaweed mariculture production and restoration pilot program. The bill would require the Department to establish a process to designate tracts for shellfish and seaweed mariculture production and restoration as part of the pilot program. and authorize an applicant with a proposed shellfish, seaweed, or shellfish and seaweed mariculture production and restoration project to apply for a lease of any pilot program tract, or a portion thereof. The bill would require the State Lands Commission or the Fish and Game Commission, or both, if applicable, to approve, deny, or return for revision a lease application within 4 months.

BLUE CARBON

[AB 2593](#) ([BOERNER HORVATH D](#)) **COASTAL RESOURCES: COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMITS: BLUE CARBON PROJECTS.**

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would require the Coastal Commission to require applicants with a public project seeking a coastal development permit to, where feasible, build or contribute to a blue carbon project.

CARBON CAPTURE AND SEQUESTRATION

[AB 2649 \(GARCIA, CRISTINA D\)](#) **NATURAL CARBON SEQUESTRATION AND RESILIENCE ACT OF 2022.**

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would declare it state policy to achieve a goal of removing 60,000,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent annually by December 2030, and 75,000,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent annually by 2035 through carbon sequestration programs on natural, working, and urban lands. The bill would require the Air Resources Board to include this natural carbon removal goal in its scoping plan and would require the Natural Resources Agency to establish natural carbon sequestration pathways to guide specified agencies in the implementation of sequestration programs to help the State achieve this goal. The bill would also require those and other designated agencies to expand existing and develop nature-based carbon dioxide equivalent sequestration programs.

[AB 2944 \(PETRIE-NORRIS D\)](#) **GREENHOUSE GASES: CARBON CAPTURE, UTILIZATION, AND SEQUESTRATION.**

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would require the Air Resources Board to annually include in a specified annual report to the Legislature, an evaluation of how carbon capture, technologies contribute to greenhouse gas emission reduction efforts.

[SB 905 \(SKINNER D\)](#) **DECARBONIZED CEMENT AND GEOLOGIC CARBON SEQUESTRATION DEMONSTRATION ACT.**

Status: Senate Education Committee

Summary: This bill would require the Air Resources Board to fund 1 – 3 geologic carbon sequestration demonstration projects and develop guidelines and criteria for eligible projects. More broadly, this bill designates the Air Resources Board as the CEQA lead agency for geologic carbon sequestration projects and requires the Board to create a single permit for these projects.

[SB 1101 \(CABALLERO D\)](#) **CARBON SEQUESTRATION: PORE SPACE OWNERSHIP AND CARBON CAPTURE, UTILIZATION, AND STORAGE PROGRAM.**

Status: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

Summary: This bill would provide that free space includes pore space that can be possessed and used to store gaseous or liquid substances. Free space means land

that is the material of the earth, whether soil, rock, or other substance, and includes free or occupied space for indefinite distance upwards as well as downwards, subject to limitations upon the use of airspace imposed, and rights in the use of airspace granted, by law. This bill would also require the state board to establish a Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage Program to develop the commercial application of carbon capture, utilization, and storage technologies to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from new and existing facilities with a focus on deploying projects that will accelerate the development, deployment, and commercialization of advanced technologies to capture and sequester carbon dioxide emissions from industrial and commercial facilities.

SB 1399 (WIECKOWSKI D) CARBON CAPTURE TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION PROJECT GRANT PROGRAM.

Status: Senate Energy, Utilities, and Communications Committee

Summary: This bill would require the Energy Commission to establish the Carbon Capture Technology Demonstration Project Grant Program to deploy and commercialize carbon capture technologies that will improve the efficiency, effectiveness, cost, emissions reductions, and environmental performance of industrial facilities, natural gas electric generation facilities, and biomass electric generation facilities. The bill would require the Energy Commission to coordinate with specified entities, including the State Lands Commission, to establish program goals and objectives.

CEQA

AB 1001 (GARCIA, CRISTINA D) ENVIRONMENT: MITIGATION MEASURES FOR AIR QUALITY IMPACTS: ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would require mitigation measures identified in an environmental impact report or mitigated negative declaration to mitigate the adverse effects of a project on air quality of a disadvantaged community, to include measures to avoid, minimize, or otherwise mitigate for the adverse effects on that community. The bill would require mitigation measures to include measures conducted at the project site that avoid or minimize to less than significant the adverse effects on the air quality of a disadvantaged community or measures conducted in the affected disadvantaged community that directly mitigate those effects.

SB 1136 (PORTANTINO D) CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT: EXPEDITED ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: CLIMATE CHANGE REGULATIONS.

Status: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for certain projects. CEQA requires specified public agencies, including air pollution control districts and air quality management districts, to perform, when they adopt a rule or regulation requiring the installation of pollution control equipment or a performance standard or treatment requirement, an environmental analysis of the reasonably foreseeable methods of compliance. This bill would require those agencies to perform an environmental analysis of the reasonably foreseeable methods of compliance.

EQUITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

AB 2296 (JONES-SAWYER D) TASK FORCE TO STUDY AND DEVELOP REPARATION PROPOSALS FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense File

Summary: This bill would extend the sunset date on the Taskforce to Study and Develop Reparations Proposals for African Americans to July 1, 2024.

AB 2419 (BRYAN D) ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE: FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT: JUSTICE40 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

Status: Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials

Summary: The federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act provides additional federal funds to rebuild national infrastructure. Presidential Executive orders established the federal Justice40 Initiative with the goal that 40 percent of the federal benefits flow to disadvantaged communities and stating that Act implementation should prioritize investing public dollars equitably, including through the Justice40 Initiative. This bill would require that a minimum of 40 percent of federal funds be allocated to projects that provide direct benefits to disadvantaged communities and a minimum of 10 percent be allocated to projects that directly benefit low-income households or communities. This bill would also establish the Justice40 Oversight Committee to guide, oversee, track, and report on California's federal funding expenditures.

GENERAL

AB 2370 (LEVINE D) PUBLIC RECORDS: STATE AGENCY RETENTION.

Status: Assembly Business, Professions and Consumer Protection Committee

Summary: This bill would require state agencies to retain and preserve every public record for 2 years regardless of physical form or characteristics.

AB 2758 (O'DONNELL D) SOUTHERN LOS ANGELES OCEAN CHEMICAL WASTE COMMUNITY OVERSIGHT COUNCIL.

Status: Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials

Summary: This bill would establish the Southern Los Angeles Ocean Chemical Waste Community Oversight Council as a state agency within the California Environmental Protection Agency to oversee the study and mitigation of the negative impacts of anthropogenic chemical waste deposits at or from "Dumpsite-2," which includes the San Pedro Basin off the coast of Los Angeles where DDT and other chemical waste has been detected.

OFFSHORE WIND ENERGY

SB 413 (MCGUIRE D) ELECTRICITY: OFFSHORE WIND GENERATION FACILITIES: SITE CERTIFICATION.

Status: Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee (dead)

Summary: This bill would require the Energy Commission, in consultation with the Offshore Wind Project Certification, Fisheries, Community, and Indigenous Peoples Advisory Committee, which the bill would create, to establish a process to certify offshore wind generation facilities that is analogous to the existing requirements to certify thermal powerplants. This bill would also give the Energy Commission exclusive authority to certify offshore wind generation facilities.

SB 1274 (MCGUIRE D) ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY: ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS: CLEAN ENERGY TRANSMISSION PROJECTS: OFFSHORE WIND.

Status: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

Summary: The Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2021 authorizes the Governor to certify certain projects, for CEQA purposes, as leadership projects, including certain renewable energy and housing development projects. This bill would include, as a project eligible for certification,

a clean energy project that upgrades transmission infrastructure to bring renewable energy from an offshore wind project located within or adjacent to Humboldt County.

OIL AND GAS

AB 1611 (DAVIES R) OIL SPILLS: POTENTIAL CASUALTIES WITH SUBMERGED OIL PIPELINES: VESSELS: REPORTING.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would establish new notification requirements for vessel operators involved in a potential casualty with a submerged oil pipeline and would impose civil penalties on vessel operators who fail to notify the Governor's Office of Emergency Services of a potential strike of an oil pipeline in a timely manner.

AB 1657 (NGUYEN R) OIL SPILLS: REPORTING: WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would define "threatened discharge of oil in waters of the state" to include a facility discharge located where an oil spill may impact state waters. This bill would require a facility to be presumed to be located where an oil spill may impact state waters if certain circumstances apply, including that any portion of the pipeline serving the facility transports oil to, from, or through state waters.

AB 1658 (NGUYEN R) OIL SPILL RESPONSE AND CONTINGENCY PLANNING: OIL SPILL ELEMENTS: AREA PLANS.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would require local area plans with an oil spill element to be consistent with the U.S. Coast Guard Area Contingency Plan.

AB 1676 (GRAYSON D) PIPELINE SAFETY: CARBON DIOXIDE.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would expand the regulatory oversight of the Office of the State Fire Marshall to include intrastate pipelines transporting supercritical carbon dioxide (CO₂).

AB 1966 (MURATSUCHI D) FOSSIL FUEL-DEPENDENT WORKERS: CALIFORNIA EQUITABLE JUST TRANSITION FUND.

Status: Assembly

Summary: This bill expresses legislative intent to establish the California Equitable Just Transition Fund to assist fossil fuel-dependent workers with wage replacement, wage insurance, pension guarantees, health care, retraining, peer counseling, and relocation support for fossil fuel workers who face layoffs owing to operation closures.

AB 2204 (BOERNER HORVATH D) CLEAN ENERGY: OFFICE OF CLEAN ENERGY

WORKFORCE.

Status: Assembly Utilities and Energy Committee

Summary: This bill would establish the Office of Clean Energy Workforce in the Labor and Workforce Development Agency to oversee California's transition to a carbon neutral economy.

AB 2447 (QUIRK D) OIL AND GAS WASTEWATER: UNLINED PONDS: PROHIBITION.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would ban disposing produced wastewater into unlined ponds and the construction of new unlined ponds, except as conducted pursuant to a permit or other authorization lawfully issued before that date and would ban the issuance or renewal of a permit or other authorization for those activities. Beginning January 1, 2025, the bill would ban all disposal of produced wastewater into unlined ponds and the construction of new unlined ponds.

AB 2609 (PETRIE-NORRIS D) OIL: FACILITY RESPONSE PLAN.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would require an operator of an onshore facility or marine facility that poses any risk of discharging oil into or on water and that is required to prepare a facility response plan to submit the plan to the State Lands Commission. The bill would require the Commission to post the plan on its website within 30 days of receiving the plan and to hold at least two public hearings in different parts of the state to receive public comment on the plans.

AB 2931 (BLOOM D) PIPELINE SAFETY: RECORDS.

Status: Assembly Emergency Management Committee

Summary: This bill would authorize the State Fire Marshal, for purposes of carrying out the requirements of state or federal law relating to hazardous liquid pipeline safety, to require the owner or operator of a pipeline to establish and maintain records, make reports, and provide any information that the State Fire Marshal reasonably requires.

SB 1030 (LIMÓN D) PIPELINE SAFETY: RECORDS.

Status: Senate Governmental Organization Committee

Summary: This bill would revise and recast those provisions of law relating to the State Fire Marshal's responsibilities under the Elder California Pipeline Safety Act of 1981 relating to record maintenance and inspection and would authorize the State Fire Marshal, for purposes of carrying out the requirements of state or federal law relating to hazardous liquid pipeline safety, to require the owner or operator of a pipeline to establish and maintain records, make reports, and provide any information that the State Fire Marshal reasonably requires.

SB 1125 (GROVE R) OIL AND GAS: ALTERNATIVE TO BOND REQUIREMENT: FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS.

Status: Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

Summary: This bill would establish a program in CalGEM to permit a small, independent oil producer to establish a separate, privately owned financial account to finance costs related to ceasing operations or plugging and abandoning a well in lieu of maintaining a bond.

SB 1423 (STERN D) COASTAL RESOURCES: CALIFORNIA COASTAL ACT OF 1976: INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS: OIL AND GAS FACILITIES.

Status: Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee

Summary: This bill would revise the coastal-dependent industrial use (override) policies in the Coastal Act to prohibit new or expanded oil and gas development and new or expanded refineries or petrochemical facilities from being considered a coastal-dependent industrial use and would authorize their permitting if all applicable Coastal Act provisions are complied with, among other things.

OPEN MEETINGS

AB 1733 (QUIRK D) STATE BODIES: OPEN MEETINGS.

Status: Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

Summary: This bill would change Bagley-Keene open meeting requirements to require all open meetings to be held by teleconference, allow for use of teleconference in closed sessions, and make other changes regarding teleconference meetings, remote participation, and open meeting notifications.

AB 1795 (FONG R) OPEN MEETINGS: REMOTE PARTICIPATION.

Status: Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

Summary: This bill would require state bodies to provide participation options both in-person and remotely in any meeting and to address the body remotely.

PLASTIC POLLUTION AND MARINE DEBRIS

AB 1690 (RIVAS, LUZ D) TOBACCO AND CANNABIS PRODUCTS: SINGLE-USE ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES AND INTEGRATED CANNABIS VAPORIZERS.

Status: Assembly Judiciary Committee

Summary: This bill would prohibit the sale of cigarettes using a single-use filter made of any material, an attachable and single-use plastic device meant to facilitate manual manipulation or filtration of a tobacco product, or a single-use electronic cigarette or vaporizer device.

AB 2026 (FRIEDMAN D) RECYCLING: PLASTIC PACKAGING AND CARRYOUT BAGS.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would eliminate certain single-use plastic products used in shipping goods to consumers and reinstate an at-store recycling program.

AB 2784 (TING D) SOLID WASTE: THERMOFORM PLASTIC CONTAINERS: POSTCONSUMER THERMOFORM RECYCLED PLASTIC.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would establish minimum recycled content requirements for thermoform plastic containers.

AB 2787 (QUIRK D) MICROPLASTICS IN PRODUCTS.

Status: Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee

Summary: This bill would prohibit the sale, distribution, or offering of products containing intentionally added microplastic.

SB 54 (ALLEN D) PLASTIC POLLUTION PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY ACT.

Status: Assembly Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would prohibit producers of single-use, disposable packaging or single-use, disposal food service ware from offering for sale, selling, distributing, or importing in or into the state those products manufactured after January 1, 2032, unless it is recyclable or compostable.

SB 1046 (EGGMAN D) SOLID WASTE: PRECHECKOUT BAGS.

Status: Senate Floor

Summary: This bill would prohibit, after an unspecified date, certain stores from providing a precheckout bag to a customer unless the bag is compostable or a recycled paper bag.

SB 1232 (ALLEN D) SOLID WASTE: PRODUCTS: LABELING: BIODEGRADABILITY.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would allow a manufacturer to deem a product “biodegradable,” “degradable,” or “decomposable” if the product, among other things, does not contain an intentionally added ingredient determined by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment to present a risk to human health from dermal or oral exposure or if the Office, in consultation with the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery, determines, with respect to a specific product, material, or ingredient, that there is competent and reliable evidence supporting a claim that it is “biodegradable,” “degradable,” or “decomposable.”

PUBLIC LANDS

AB 30 (KALRA D) OUTDOOR ACCESS TO NATURE: ENVIRONMENTAL EQUITY.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would declare it state policy that all Californians have safe and affordable access to nature and to the benefits of nature.

AB 1789 (BENNETT D) OUTDOOR RECREATION: CALIFORNIA RECREATIONAL TRAILS SYSTEM PLAN: CALIFORNIA TRAILS COMMISSION: TRAILS CORPS PROGRAM: GRANT PROGRAM.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would create a California Trails Commission within the California Natural Resources Agency, establish a Trails Corps Program within the California Conservation Corps, and appropriates funding for competitive grants to specified entities to provide nonmotorized infrastructure development and enhancements.

AB 2016 (BAUER-KAHAN D) STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD: DESALINATION PLANT: FEASIBILITY STUDY.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would request that the California Council on Science and Technology undertake a comprehensive feasibility study of brackish and ocean water desalination along the San Francisco Bay in coordination with the Department of Water Resources and submit the study to the Legislature.

AB 2177 (IRWIN D) COASTAL RECREATION: DESIGNATED STATE SURFING RESERVES.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would require State Coastal Conservancy to establish criteria and an application process to designate state surfing reserves.

AB 2287 (STONE D) CALIFORNIA OCEAN RESOURCES STEWARDSHIP ACT OF 2000.

Status: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Summary: This bill would authorize the California Ocean Science Trust to contract with agencies and departments outside the California Natural Resources Agency for science based research and other services, and rename the California Ocean Trust as the California Ocean Science Trust. The bill would also revise the purposes of the California Ocean Science Trust and make new legislative findings about the impacts of climate change and the need for science-informed policy.

SB 1012 (GLAZER D) STATE PARKS: OPEN FIRES.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would require a unit of the state park system to follow and enforce the rules relating to open fires that are at least as restrictive as the rules adopted by a local fire department or a fire protection district within whose boundaries the unit is located.

SB 1036 (NEWMAN D) CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION CORPS: CALIFORNIA OCEAN CORPS PROGRAM.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would require the California Conservation Corps to establish the California Ocean Corps to provide opportunities for people ages 16 to 30 to contribute ocean conservation work spanning from casual volunteer opportunities to long-term, paid skill development programs. The bill would appropriate \$40 million General Fund for the program.

[SB 1052](#) ([KAMLAGER D](#)) **BALDWIN HILLS CONSERVANCY: URBAN WATERSHEDS CONSERVANCY EXPANSION.**

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would expand the Baldwin Hills Conservancy, of which the Commission is a member, to include the southern Ballona Creek Watershed and the Upper Dominguez Channel, rename the Conservancy, and make it permanent.

RENEWABLE ENERGY

[SB 1376](#) ([STERN D](#)) **STATE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION: STRATEGIC PLAN: ZERO-CARBON RESOURCES.**

Status: Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee

Summary: This bill would require the Energy Commission to adopt a strategic plan by November 2023 to enable no less than 6 gigawatts per year of zero-carbon resources to be interconnected to the electrical grid, beginning in January 2025.

SEA LEVEL RISE AND CLIMATE CHANGE

[AB 1395](#) ([MURATSUCHI D](#)) **THE CALIFORNIA CLIMATE CRISIS ACT.**

Status: Senate Inactive File

Summary: This bill, the California Climate Crisis Act, would declare it state policy to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible, but no later than 2045, and achieve and maintain net negative greenhouse gas emissions thereafter, and to ensure that by 2045, statewide anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 90 percent below 1990 levels.

[AB 1640](#) ([WARD D](#)) **OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH: REGIONAL CLIMATE NETWORKS: REGIONAL CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE ACTION PLANS.**

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would authorize a regional climate network to develop a regional climate adaptation and resilience action plan and would require the Office of Planning and Research to develop and publish guidelines on how eligible entities may establish regional climate networks and how governing boards may be established within regional climate networks.

[AB 1939](#) ([RIVAS, LUZ D](#)) **PUPIL INSTRUCTION: SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS: CLIMATE CHANGE.**

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would add content on the causes and effects of, and methods to mitigate and adapt to, climate change to science courses for grades 1 to 6 and grades 7 to 12, and require that this coursework be offered to students by the 2023-24 school year, and require that at least one science course required for graduation include material on the causes and effects of, and methods to mitigate and adapt to, climate change, beginning with the graduating class of 2027-28.

AB 2362 (MULLIN D) ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION AND CLIMATE ADAPTATION PROJECTS: PERMITTING.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would require the California Natural Resources Agency to establish an interagency working group to accelerate and streamline permitting for ecosystem restoration and climate adaptation projects.

SB 852 (DODD D) CLIMATE RESILIENCE DISTRICTS: FORMATION: FUNDING MECHANISMS.

Status: Senate Governance and Finance Committee

Summary: This bill would authorize a local jurisdictions to form a climate resilience district to raise and allocate funding for projects that address sea level rise, extreme heat, extreme cold, the risk of wildfire, drought, and flooding.

SB 867 (LAIRD D) SEA LEVEL RISE PLANNING: DATABASE.

Status: Senate Floor

Summary: This bill would extend the sunset of the Planning for Sea Level Rise Database from 2023 to 2028. The Database, housed in the California Natural Resources Agency, describes steps being taken throughout the state to prepare for, and adapt to, sea level rise. Legislative intent states that the Database is intended to provide the public with an educational tool that will enable viewing of up-to-date information from a single source about actions taken to address sea level rise.

SB 989 (HERTZBERG D) CLIMATE CHANGE PREPAREDNESS, RESILIENCY, AND JOBS FOR COMMUNITIES PROGRAM: CLIMATE-BENEFICIAL PROJECTS: GRANT FUNDING.

Status: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

Summary: This bill would establish the Climate Change Preparedness, Resiliency, and Jobs for Communities Program, to be administered by the Strategic Growth Council, and would require the Council to fund grants to develop and implement multi-benefit, community-level, climate-beneficial projects to support community and landscape resiliency and workforce development.

SB 1078 (ALLEN D) SEA LEVEL RISE REVOLVING LOAN PILOT PROGRAM.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would establish a sea level rise revolving loan pilot program to provide local jurisdictions with low interest loans to purchase vulnerable coastal properties in communities disproportionately impacted by climate change.

TRIBAL ISSUES

AB 923 (RAMOS D) GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION ACT: STATE-TRIBAL CONSULTATION.

Status: Senate Rules Committee

Summary: This bill would require state agencies to consult on a government-to-government basis with California tribes. The bill would require the executive branch to consult with a tribe within 60 days' notice of consultation request and would require each agency director to consider the need for tribal consultation before approving an agency policy. The bill would designate state officials authorized to represent the state in government-to-government consultations and would require a training to be developed, by June 30, 2023, regarding government-to-government consultations, and would require all agency directors, chairs, executive officers and chief counsels to complete the training by January 2024.

AB 2022 (RAMOS D) STATE GOVERNMENT.

Status: Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee

Summary: This bill would require the term "squaw" to be removed from all geographic features and place names in the state.

AB 2225 (WARD D) RESOURCE CONSERVATION: TRADITIONAL ECOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE: LAND MANAGEMENT PLANS.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would require the California Natural Resources Agency to conduct a listening tour of Native American tribes across the state to solicit their input, priorities, and concerns regarding traditional ecological knowledge and reimburse tribes for this consultation.