

PUBLIC RISK INNOVATION, SOLUTIONS, & MANAGEMENT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY

Web Conference/Telephonic Meeting

Thursday, April 16, 2026
10:30 a.m.
Third Meeting – 2026

Members Present

Greg Milligan, ACCEL-City of Santa Barbara
Marisol Thorn, City of El Cajon
Shauna Biagio, City of Hanford
Erika Leahy, City of Napa
Angela Colton, City of San Diego
Alexander Zaretsky, Gold Coast Transit
Nancy Rice, Monterey County
Rhonda Haynes, OCFA
Catherine Laveau, Ventura County

Members Absent

Jennifer Collins, California Schools JPA
Matthew Duarte, CAPRI
Barbara Esquivel, MPA
Steve Taylor, Shasta County

Consent Agenda

The March 12, 2026 minutes were approved.

Legislative Activity

PRISM Lobbyist, Jason Schmelzer, provided an update on the legislative session. The legislature is back from their spring recess and very active. Budget discussions will resume following the Governor's May Revisions and should include how the deficit is going to be addressed.

The Committee, staff and lobbyists discussed and reviewed a total of 51 bills.

The following bills were newly introduced or recently amended and that warranted a new/change in position:

Area	Author	Bill No.	Bill Description	Current Position
EE Benefits	Ahrens	AB-1961	Civil Actions; Protective Orders; Workplace Violence	Support 2
EE Benefits	Zbur	AB-2039	Attorneys	Watch
EE Benefits	Reyes	SB-0951	Employment; Technological Displacement; Notice	Oppose 2
EE Benefits	Menjivar	SB-1024	Firefighter Postpartum & Recovery Leave	Watch
Liability	Pacheco	AB-1665	School Athletics; Coaches; Behavioral & Mental Health Training	Watch

EE Benefits	Petrie-Norris	AB-2656	Public Employees; Notice; Artificial Intelligence Performing Service With Scope of Work	Oppose 2
Liability	Wiener	SB-0934	Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity Change Efforts; Actions for Recovery of Damages; Statute of Limitations	Watch
EE Benefits	Valencia	AB-2197	School Employees; Solicitation; Financial Services Products	Watch
Other	Boerner	AB-2241	School Facilities; Inclusive School Playgrounds	Watch
Other	Chen	AB-2498	Exempt Surplus Land.	Drop
Work Comp	Kalra	AB-2098	WC; Medical Treatment	Oppose 3
Work Safety	Ortega	AB-2321	Bureau of Investigations	Watch

The following bills were discussed and the positions remain unchanged:

Area	Author	Bill No.	Bill Description	Current Position
EE Benefits	Lowenthal	AB-1803	Sexual Harassment Training & Education; Anti-Hate Speech Training	Watch
EE Benefits	Haney	AB-2150	Training Requirements; Opioid Overdose Reversals	Watch
EE Benefits	Sanchez	AB-2365	Education-Related Positions; Dismissals; Egregious Misconduct; Employment Prohibition	Watch
EE Benefits	Pacheco	AB-2563	Sex Discrimination; Scope	Watch
EE Benefits	McNerney	SB-0947	Employment; Automated Decision Systems	Oppose 3
EE Benefits	Cabaldon	SB-1054	Unemployment Insurance; Reporting Requirements	Watch
EE Benefits	Perez	SB-1083	Non-Certificated Employees; Disciplinary Hearings; Egregious Misconduct	Watch
EE Benefits	Durazo	SB-1149	Employees; Bereavement Leave	Watch
Health	Zbur	AB-1887	Prescription Drug Coverage for Rare Diseases	Watch
Health	Harabedian	AB-1970	Coverage; Mental Health or Substance Use Disorders	Watch
Health	Patel	AB-2431	Downcoding Medical Claims	Watch
Health	Ortega	AB-2575	Health Care Services; Artificial Intelligence	Watch
Health	Allen	SB-1244	Public Agency Benefits Intermediary Compensation Disclosure Act	Watch
Liability	Ramos	AB-1586	Opioid Overdose Reversal Medication; School Resource Officers	Support 1
Liability	Gabriel	AB-1626	Youth Health; Sports; Coaches	Watch
Liability	Sanchez	AB-1819	Automated External Defibrillators	Watch
Liability	Zbur	AB-1930	Civil Law	Watch
Liability	Harabedian	AB-1950	Civil Actions; Mediation	Watch
Liability	Kalra	AB-2042	Civil Actions; Setting Aside Default or Default Judgment	Watch

Liability	Garcia	AB-2144	On-Campus Events; Swimming Pools; Adult Presence; Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Training	Watch
Liability	Lackey	AB-2291	Schools; Harassment; AI-Generated Deepfakes; Hotline & Portal	Watch
Liability	Johnson	AB-2529	Civil Claims; Public Employees; Perjury	Support 2
Liability	Weber Pierson	SB-0945	Schools; CPR; Automated External Defibrillators	Watch
Liability	Perez	SB-1105	Law Enforcement	Watch
Other	Jackson	AB-1664	Elections; Law Enforcement Investigations of Election Records or Voting Systems	Watch
Other	Dixon	AB-1749	Impeding Emergency Responses with Drone	Support 1
Other	Fong	AB-1928	Sex-Equity; Sexual Harassment Complaints	Watch
Other	Stefani	AB-1974	Firearms; Voluntary Firearm Storage Program	Watch
Other	Irwin	AB-1985	Schools; Athletic Coaches; Mental Health Training	Watch
Other	Berman	AB-2003	Schools; Suicide Prevention	Watch
Other	Bauer-Kahan	AB-2007	Youth Programs; Identifying Information of Youth	Oppose 2
Other	Calderon	AB-2043	Countering Unmanned Aircraft Systems Task Force	Watch
EE Benefits	Sharp-Collins	AB-2064	Discrimination; Formerly Incarcerated Status	Oppose 2
Other	Davies	AB-2242	Schools; Sextortion informational Poster	Watch
Other	Patel	AB-2468	School Accountability; Pupils with Disabilities; Inclusion	Watch
Other	Wallis	AB-2503	California Interscholastic Federation; Pupil Health; Heat Illness; Guidelines	Watch
Other	Cervantes	SB-1013	Automated License Plate Recognition Systems	Watch
Work Safety	Bryan	AB-1883	Workplace Surveillance Tools	Oppose 2
Work Safety	Schultz	AB-1898	Workplace Artificial Intelligence Tools	Oppose 3

Staff Legislative Activity Report

Staff provided an update on various coalition meetings on legislative matters.

Staff Report

Staff advised that the Personnel Sub-Committee met last week and reviewed the Committee's recommendation for in-house government affairs. They provided some additional elements to be included when the Executive Committee reviews it.

Staff welcomed back Rhonda Haynes from her leave of absence. Staff also advised of former Committee member, Bill Kerwin's passing. Staff, along with guests from Huntington

Beach UHSD, expressed their gratitude for all of Bill's contributions, generosity and sense of humor. Condolences all around were expressed.

Future Meetings

The next regularly scheduled meeting is ***Thursday, May 21, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.*** to be held ***via Web Conference.***