

PUBLIC RISK INNOVATION, SOLUTIONS, & MANAGEMENT

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

MEETING SUMMARY

Web Conference/Telephonic Meeting

Wednesday, June 26, 2024
10:30 a.m.
Fifth Meeting – 2024

Members Present

Matthew Duarte, CAPRI
Sandy Avina, California Schools JPA
Dave Richards, City of El Cajon
Alexander Zaretsky, Gold Coast Transit
William Kerwin, Huntington Beach UHSD
Nancy Rice, Monterey County
Barbara Esquivel, MPA
Erika Leahy, City of Napa
Greg Milligan, Santa Barbara County
Steve Taylor, Shasta County
Craig Schweikhard, SMCSIG
Catherine Laveau, Ventura County

Members Absent

Rhonda Haynes, OCFA

Legislative Activity

Lobbyist, Jason Schmelzer, provided an update on activities at the Capitol. The Legislature in the second house process of reviewing bills. Summer recess starts July 3rd, and they will return in early August. The Governor is engaging in bills with fiscal scrutiny with the budget in its final stages (\$60B two-year deficit).

The Committee, staff, and lobbyists discussed and reviewed 88 bills that have been amended since the last meeting.

The following bills were discussed and resulted in the position changing:

Bill No.	Area	Bill Description	Current Position
AB-1843	EE Benefits	Emergency Ambulance Employee Safety & Preparedness Act	Watch
AB-2474	EE Benefits	Retirement; 37 Act; Benefit Payments & Overpayment	Drop
AB-2754	EE Benefits	Employment Contracts & Agreements; Sufficient Funds; Liability	Drop
AB-1814	Liability	Law Enforcement; Facial Recognition Technology	Watch
AB-2176	Liability	Juveniles; Access to Education	Drop
AB-2288	Liability	Labor Code Enforcement; Private Civil Actions	Watch

AB-2499	EE Benefits	Unlawful Employment Practices; Discrimination for Time Off	Oppose 2
SB-0059	Liability	Battery Electric Vehicles; Bidirectional Capability	Drop
SB-1202	Liability	Cali Dept of Human Resources; Reports; Assaults	Drop
SB-0537	Other	Dept of General Services; Memorial to Forcibly Deported Mexican Americans & Mexican Immigrants	Drop
SB-0697	Work Comp	Conspiracy Against Trade; Punishment	Drop
AB-1976	Work Safety	OSHA; First Aid Kits; Opioid Analgesics	Concerns

The following bills were new to the Committee and the following positions taken:

Bill No.	Area	Bill Description	Current Position
AB-2149	Liability	Gates; Standards; Inspections	Watch
AB-2496	Liability	Liability Claims; Foster Family Agencies & NonCustodial Adoption Agencies	Watch
SB-1386	Liability	Evidence; Sexual Assault	Oppose 3
AB-1239	Work Comp	WC; Disability Payments	Watch

The following bills were discussed with no change in position:

Bill No.	Area	Bill Description	Current Position
AB-2557	EE Benefits	Local Agencies; Contracts for Special Services & Temporary Help; Performance Reports	Oppose 2
AB-0960	Liability	School Safety; Web-based or App-based School Safety Programs	Watch
AB-1725	Liability	Law Enforcement; Settlements & Judgments; Reporting	Concerns
AB-1825	Liability	California Freedom to Read Act	Watch
AB-1841	Liability	Student Safety; Opioid Overdose Reversal Medication; Student Housing Facilities	Watch
AB-2046	Liability	Schools; Educational Programs; Single Gender Schools & Classes	Watch
AB-3092	Liability	Attorney General; Law Enforcement Agencies; Reporting Requirements; Deaths	Watch
SB-0954	Liability	Schools; Sexual Health; Contraceptives	Watch
SB-0994	Other	Local Government; Joint Powers Authority; Transfer of Authority	Watch
SB-1264	Work Safety	Employment Discrimination; Cannabis Use	Watch

General Legislative Discussion

Staff is continuing to review and gather more information regarding OSHA's emergency response plan for Firefighters.

AB 218 Task Force

PRISM has been participating in a Task Force specific to AB 218 reform efforts with other educational and local government groups. The Committee approved contributing up to \$60k initially towards funding this initiative and these efforts (e.g. marketing firm, education, publications, etc.). This is not an upfront cost, rather as-incurred.

Staff Report

Committee Chair, Craig Schweikhard, will be leaving SMCSIG June 30 and going to another entity that is not a PRISM member. As such, will be leaving the Committee. Vice Chair, Catherine Laveau, will step into the Chair position for the remaining two meetings this year. We thank Craig for all of his contributions to this Committee, as well as other PRISM Committees.

Future Meetings

The next regularly scheduled meeting is ***Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 10:30 a.m.***, to be held via ***Web Conference***.