

**PUBLIC RISK INNOVATION, SOLUTIONS, & MANAGEMENT**

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

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75 Iron Point Circle, Suite 200  
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Thursday, March 13, 2025  
10:30 a.m.  
Third Meeting – 2025

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**Members Present**

Matthew Duarte, CAPRI  
Dave Richards, City of El Cajon  
Alexander Zaretsky, Gold Coast Transit  
William Kerwin, Huntington Beach UHSD  
Greg Milligan, Santa Barbara County  
Nancy Rice, Monterey County  
Barbara Esquivel, MPA  
Erika Leahy, City of Napa  
Rhonda Haynes, OCFA  
Angela Colton, City of San Diego  
Steve Taylor, Shasta County  
Catherine Laveau, Ventura County

**Members Absent**

Sandy Avina, California Schools JPA

**Legislative Activity**

PRISM Lobbyist, Jason Schmelzer, provided an update on the 2025 legislative session. The deadline to introduce language for spot bills is Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Jason also introduced Dylan Hoffman as a new addition to PRISM’s Lobbying Team.

The Committee, staff and lobbyists discussed and reviewed 68 bills that have been introduced to date.

The following bills were discussed and positions taken:

<b>Area</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Bill No.</b>	<b>Bill Description</b>	<b>Current Position</b>
EE Benefits	Ahrens	AB-0340	Employer-Employee Relations; Confidential Communications	Oppose 2
EE Benefits	Caloza	AB-0672	Public Employment; Notifications & Right of Intervention	Watch
EE Benefits	Kalra	AB-1109	Evidentiary Privileges; Union Agent- Represented Worker Privilege	Oppose 2
EE Benefits	Castillo	AB-1115	Peace Officers; Mental Health Liaisons	Watch

EE Benefits	Elhawary	AB-1163	Employees; Workplace Violence Prevention Plans; Topics & Trainings	Oppose 2
EE Benefits	Sharp-Collins	AB-1371	Occupational Safety & Health; Employee Refusal to Perform Hazardous Tasks	Oppose 3
WC	Grayson	SB-0459	Peace Officers; Confidential Communications; Group Peer Support Services	Watch
WC	Alvarado-Gil	SB-0527	Worker Classification; Employees & Independent Contractors; Athletic Coaches	Watch
EE Benefits	Durazo	SB-0590	Paid Family Leave; Eligibility; Care for Designated Persons	Watch
EE Benefits	Limon	SB-0642	Employment; Payment of Wages	Oppose 2
Health	Bonta	AB-0298	Coverage; Cost Sharing	Concerns
Health	Papan	AB-0360	Coverage; Menopause	Watch
Health	Menjivar	SB-0418	Coverage; Non-Discrimination	Watch
Health	Wilson	AB-0418	Property Taxation; Tax-Defaulted Property	Drop
Health	Committee Insurance	AB-0487	Blanket Insurance	Watch
Health	Gonzalez	AB-0554	Coverage; Anti-Retroviral Drugs, Devices & Products	Watch
Health	Ta	AB-0951	Coverage; Behavioral Diagnoses	Watch
Health	Richardson	SB-0535	Obesity Treatment Parity Act	Watch
Liability	Lowenthal	AB-0772	Suspensions & Expulsions; Off-Campus Acts; Model Policy	Concerns
Liability	Ortega	AB-0800	State Prisons; Food	Watch
Liability	Lowenthal	AB-0883	California Public Records Act	Watch
Liability	Irwin	AB-0932	Community Youth Athletics Programs; Sex or Gender Discrimination	Oppose 3
Liability	McKinnor	AB-0970	Child Abuse & Neglect Reporting	Watch
Liability	Davies	AB-1005	Drowning Prevention; Public Schools; Informational Materials; Swimming Lesson Vouchers	Watch
Liability	Hart	AB-1108	County Officers; Coroners; Officer-Involved Deaths	Watch
Liability	Macedo	AB-1135	School Safety; Safe Place to Learn Act	Watch
Liability	Rubio	SB-0019	Schools; Threats; Schools & Places of Worship	Watch
Other	Harabedian	AB-0091	State & Local Agencies; Demographic Data	Drop

Other	Rubio	AB-0428	Joint Powers Agreements; Water Corporations	Oppose 3
Other	Wilson	AB-0475	Prisons & Jails; Employment of Inmates	Watch
Other	Harabedian	AB-0493	Property Insurance; Notice of Cancellation	Drop
Other	Harabedian	AB-0597	Public Insurance Adjusters	Watch
Other	Rodriguez	AB-0799	Prisons; Death Benefit for Incarcerated Firefighters	Watch
Other	Avila Farias	AB-0933	Organized Residential Camps; Organized Day Camps	Watch
Other	Bauer-Kahan	AB-1018	Automated Decision Systems	Oppose 2
Other	Bryan	AB-1075	Fire Protection; Privately Contracted Firefighters; Public Water Sources	Watch
Other	Pacheco	AB-1178	Peace Officers; Confidential of Records	Support 2
Other	Rodriguez	AB-1236	Insurance; Reinsurance	Watch
Other	Ward	AB-1337	Information Practices Act of 1977	Concerns
EE Benefits	McNerney	SB-0007	Employment; Automated Decision Systems	Oppose 2
EE Benefits	Smallwood-Cuevas	SB-0464	Employer Pay Data	Watch
Other	Laird	SB-0470	Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act; Teleconferencing	Watch
Other	Arreguin	SB-0524	Law Enforcement Agencies; Artificial Intelligence	Watch
Other	Wahab	SB-0691	Body-Word Cameras; Policies	Watch
Work Comp	Grayson	SB-0700	California Firefighter Cancer Prevention & Research Program	Watch
Other	Durazo	SB-0707	Open Meetings; Meeting & Teleconference Requirements	Oppose 2
Other	None	None	FCMAT Report	Support 3
Work Comp	Chen	AB-1048	WC Provider Contracts	Watch
Work Comp	Nguyen	AB-1125	State Hospital Peace Officer; Heart Presumption	Watch
Work Comp	Rodriguez	AB-1209	WC; Cannabis Industry	Drop
Work Comp	Wallis	AB-1293	WC; Permanent Disability	Watch
Work Comp	Addis	AB-1336	Farmworkers; Benefits	Oppose 2
Work Comp	Valencia	AB-1398	WC; Medical Provider Network	Watch
Work Comp	Soria	AB-1498	WC; Medical Treatment	Oppose 2
Work Comp	Laird	SB-0230	WC: Firefighters; Cancer Presumption	Concerns
Work Comp	Grayson	SB-0291	Contractors; WC Insurance	Watch
Work Comp	Grayson	SB-0487	WC; Disability	Watch

Work Comp	Archuleta	SB-0536	WC Insurance Fraud Reporting	Watch
Work Comp	Caballero	SB-0555	WC; Average Annual Earnings	Oppose 3
Work Comp	Arreguin	SB-0632	WC; Hospital Employees; Presumption	Oppose 3
Work Comp	Hurtado	SB-0668	WC; Medical-Legal Expenses; Fee Schedule	Watch
Work Comp	Reyes	SB-0847	WC; Uninsured Employer; Transfer of Real Property	Watch
Work Safety	McKinnor	AB-0596	Occupational Safety; Face Coverings	Watch
Work Safety	McKinnor	AB-0694	Department of Industrial Relations; Advisory Committee; Occupational Safety & Health	Watch
Work Safety	Patel	AB-1015	Discrimination & Harassment Prevention Training	Support 2
Work Safety	Haney	AB-1181	Firefighters; Personal Protective Equipment	Watch
Work Comp & Work Safety	Elhawary	AB-1331	Workplace Surveillance	Oppose 3
Liability	Bryan	AB-1388	Law Enforcement; Settlement Agreements; Prohibition	Watch

### **General Legislative Discussion**

The Committee requested staff work on updating the definitions of claim type in the annual report of inventory (OSIP vs DIR/DWC). The Committee also requested staff work on an exclusion for Public Works vehicles to be transitions to all electric to avoid an inability to provide essential services during a state of emergency response.

### **Staff Report**

The Committee recognized Bill Kerwin for five years of service and Alex Zaretsky for fifteen years of service on the Legislative Committee.

### **Future Meetings**

The next regularly scheduled meeting is **Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.**, to be held via **Web Conference**.