

2021 CA Legislative Action Tracker

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First Legislative Session 2021

CHAPTER – After a bill has been signed by the Governor, the Secretary of State assigns the bill a Chapter Number, for example, "Chapter 123, Statutes of 1998," which subsequently may be used to refer to the measure.

Bill #	Author	Topic	BizFed	Status	Policy
AB80 ☆	Burke	Exclude PPP grants from being taxed as income.	Support (04/20/2021)	Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 17, Statutes of 2021. 4/29/2021	COVID-19 Economic Recovery Task Force Sarah.Wiltfong@bizfed.org

ENGROSSING AND ENROLLING – A nonpartisan unit in each House responsible for proofreading all forms of measures. The unit also prepares and delivers bill to the Governor for consideration.

Bill #	Author	Topic	BizFed	Status	Policy
AB442	Mayes	Allows MWD to more effectively update CO River Aqueduct	Support (03/17/2020) (AB2246 Mayes)	To Engrossing and Enrolling 9/2/21	Water/Sarah.wiltfong@bizfed.org
AB537	Quirk	Ensures Californians will quickly benefit from high speed internet projects by requiring local governments to approve or deny broadband permits within federal mandated timelines	Support (04/13/2021 Exec Committee)	To Engrossing and Enrolling 9/2/21	Responsible Governance & Fiscal Accountability/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org
AB1302	Quirk	Commercial cannabis billboards: placement restrictions	Support (04/08/2021 Advocacy)	To Engrossing and Enrolling 9/2/21	Responsible Governance & Fiscal Accountability/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org
SB44	Allen	CEQA Streamlining for Transportation/Transit Projects	Support (08/11/2020)(SB757) Executive Committee	To Engrossing and Enrolling 9/3/21	Land Use/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org
SB314	Wiener	Would help CA's restaurants, bars, & music venues recover economically from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic by	Support (04/20/2021)	To Engrossing and Enrolling 9/3/21	Responsible Governance & Fiscal Accountability/Chirs.Wilson@bizfed.org

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		creating more flexibility in how they can serve alcohol.			
SB378	Gonzalez	Requires a local agency to allow micro trenching for the installation of underground fiber	Support (04/13/2021 Exec Committee)	To Engrossing and Enrolling 9/2/21	Responsible Governance & Fiscal Accountability/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org
SB556	Dodd	Requires a city, county and local publicly owned electric utilities to make available appropriate spaces and capacity on and in their street light poles, traffic signal poles, and supporting structures for broadband infrastructure	Support (04/13/2021 Exec Committee)	To Engrossing and Enrolling 9/2/21	Responsible Governance & Fiscal Accountability/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org

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N = 54

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AB14	Aguiar-Curry	CA Advance Service Fund – Broad Band	Support w/amendments (05/18/2021)	Senate Referred to Coms. on E., U. & C. and GOV. & F. 6/16/21; amended 6/17/21; Hearing 7/5/21; Amend, pass & re-refer to GOV. & F. 7/5/21; Sen. Approps Hearing 8/16/21; susp; Hearing 8/26/21; passed as amended; 2nd Read. Ordered to 3rd read 8/30/21; 3rd Read and amended. Ordered to 2nd read 9/2/21	Letters to Asm. Approps. Committee members 5/19/21; Letter submitted to Sen. E,U & C via Portal 6/28/21; Members 7/4/21	Responsible Governance/DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org
AB61	Gabriel	Business Pandemic Relief: Provides some regulatory relief for restaurants.	Support (03/16/2021)	Sen. Coms. on Governmental Organization, Health and Governance & Finance 6/9/21; Hearing 6/22/21; Amend, Health 6/23/21; Hearing 7/14/21;	Letter Sen. G.O; Health & Gov & Fin. via portal & G.O. committee members 6/10/21; Letters to Sen. Health (Portal) &	Small Business/Labor & Employment/Sarah.Wiltfong@bizfed.org

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AB420	Quirk-Silva	Allows large amusement parks to reopen in the moderate tier.	Support (03/16/2021)	Asm. Arts, Entertainment, Sports Tourism and Internet Media Committee 3/1/21	Letter to Asm. Arts ... Committee via Portal; Letters to members 3/21/2021	Small Business/Labor & Employment/Sarah. Wiltfong@bizfed.org
AB701	Gonzalez	PAGA litigation & warehouse regulations	Oppose (08/10/2021) Exec Committee	In Senate; 2 nd Read and amended. Re-referred to Approps. 7/15/21; Hearing 8/16/21; Susp; Hearing 8/26/21; Passed as amended; 2 nd Read. Ordered to 3rd read 8/30/21; 3rd Read and amended. Ordered to 2nd read 9//3/2021	Coalition letter	Small Business & Labor & Employment/Sarah. Wiltfong@bizfed.org
AB928	Berman	Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act of 2021	Support (08/10/2021) Exec Committee)	Sen. 2 nd Read Re-referred to Sen. Approps 7/15/21; Hearing 8/16/21; Susp; Hearing 8/26/21; passed as amended; 2nd Read. Ordered to 3rd read 8/30/21	Letter to Sen. Approps via Portal 8/15/21; Members 8/19/21; Letter submitted via Portal to Sen. Floor 8/31/21	Anti-Poverty /DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org
AB1028	Seyarto	Amends the labor law to make it easier for employees to work from home	Support (04/20/2021)	Asm. Labor & employment; Asm. Judiciary; 3/4/21	Letter submitted to Asm. Judiciary & Labor & Employment committees via Portal; Members; 4/27/21	Small Business & Labor & Employment/Sarah. Wiltfong@bizfed.org
AB1074	Gonzalez	Displaced Workers:	Oppose (05/10/2021) Exec Committee	Sen Labor, Public Employment and Retirement 6/16/21; Hearing 7/5/21; pass as amended, re-refer Appropriations 7/5/21; passed, Sen Approps, amended; 2 nd Read; Hearing 8/16/21; Ordered 2nd read pursuant to Sen. Rule 28.8.;	Letters submitted to LA Asm. Delegation (23) 5/10/21; Letters submitted Sen. L, P E & R via Portal & Members 6/30/21	Small Business/Labor & Employment/Sarah. Wiltfong@bizfed.org

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				Read 2nd time. Ordered 3rd read 8/17/21;		
AB1111	Berman	Common Course Numbering System at community colleges	Support (08/10/2021) Exec Committee	In Senate 5/28/21; Re-referred to Sen. Approps.7/7/21; Hearing 8/16/21; Susp; Hearing 8/26/21; passed as amended; 2nd Read Ordered to 3rd read 8/30/21	Submitted via Portal, Sen. Approps & committee members 8/20/21; Letter submitted via Portal to Sen. Floor 8/31/21	Anti-Poverty/DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org
AB1261	Burke	Requires CARB to develop & apply measurement & eval data recommended by State Auditor	Support (05/18/2021)	Sen. EQ 6/9/21; Hearing 6/28/21; pass and re-refer to Com. on Approps Consent Calendar. Re-referred APPR. Hearing 7/5/21; Susp 7/5/21; Hearing 8/26/21; passed as amended; 2nd Read Ordered to 3rd read 8/30/21	Coalition Letter to Asm. Burke 4/21/21	AQMD/CARB/Sarah.Wiltfong@bifed.org
AB1296	Kamlager	Adds two board members to the SCAQMD; 2 environmental justice appointees, one appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and one appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.	Oppose (03/16/2021)	Asm. Natural Resources 3/4/21	Letter to Asm. Nat. Resources via Portal; Committee members 3/21/21	CARB/AQMD/Sarah.Wiltfong@bizfed.org
AB1395	Muratsuchi	Requires State to achieve "carbon neutrality" no later than 2045 & achieve net negative greenhouse gas emissions thereafter	Oppose (05/18/2021)	Sen. Com. on E.Q. 6/16/21; Hearing 7/12/21; Sen. Approps Hearing 8/16/21; Susp; Hearing 8/26/21; passed as amended; 2 nd Read Ordered to 3 rd read 8/30/21; 3rd Read and amended. Ordered to 2nd read 9/3/21	Coalition Letter/WSPA	Energy & Environment/Sarah.Wiltfong@bizfed.org

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ACA1	Aguiar-Curry	Reduces voter threshold for taxes (ballot measures-sales tax; prop. taxes) to 55%	Oppose (05/18/21)	Asm. Local Govt & Approps 4/22/21		Responsible Governance/DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org
SB4	Gonzalez	CA Advance Service Fund – Broad Band	Support w/Amendments (05/18/2021)	Asm. Communications & Conveyance 6/10/21; Hearing 7/7/21; pass, re-refer to APPR 7/7/21; passed; 7/8/21; Asm. Approps; Hearing 8/19/21; Hearing 8/26/21; passed as amended; ordered to 2 nd Read 8/30/21; 3rd Read and amended. Ordered to 3rd read 9/2/21	Letters to Sen. Approps. Committee members 5/19/21; Letters to Asm C&C via portal 7/4/21 & members 7/5/21	Responsible Governance/DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org
SB12	McGuire	<i>Sees to require jurisdictions to 1) ID locations of all Very High Fire Hazard Security Zones (HFHSZ) in land use element of General Plan, 2) include comprehensive retrofit strategy to reduce risk of property loss & damage during wildfires, 3)allow for lower RHNA allocations in certain HFHSZ.</i>	Oppose (03/23/2021) Executive Committee	Asm. Coms. on Local Government and Housing & Community Development 6/10/21; Hearing 6/23/21; Do pass and re-refer to H. & C.D. 2 nd Read; Hearing 7/12/21; Failed passage; Reconsideration granted 7/12/21	Letters to Local Govt Committee via Portal + Members; 6/15/21; Letters to Committee (Portal) + Members 7/11/21	Land Use/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org
SB15	Portantino	Housing development: incentives: rezoning of idle retail sites.	Support (SB1299-05/01/2020 Executive 2020)	In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk. 6/2/21 – 2 year bill	Letters to Sen. Housing Committee 2/14/21; C. Wilson Testimony 3/18/21;	Land Use/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org

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SB28	Caballero	Rural Broadband and Digital Infrastructure Video Competition Reform Act of 2021	Oppose (06/15/2021)	Asm. Communications & Conveyance 5/28/21 & Privacy & Consumer Protection Committee; Hearing 6/23/21; pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on P. & C.P. 6/23/21; Hearing 7/1/21; passed; 7/1/21; 2 nd Reading, amended. Re-referred to Approps. 7/5/21; Hearing 8/19/21; Susp; Hearing 8/26/21; passed as amended; 2 nd Read and amended. Ordered to 2nd read 8/30/21; 2nd Read. Ordered to 3rd read. 8/31/21	Letter to Asm. C&C submitted via Portal & to Members 6/18/21; Letters to Asm. Privacy & Consumer Protect via Portal 6/28/21	Responsible Governance & Fiscal Accountability/DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org
SB30	Cortese	<i>Prohibits a state agency from designing or constructing a state facility that is connected to the natural gas grid</i>	Oppose (04/20/2021)	<i>Sen. Governmental Organization 1/28/21; Author – 2-yr bill (4/22/21 Sharif)</i>		<i>Energy & Environment/Sarah. Wiltfong@bizfed.org</i>
SB31	Cortese	<i>Funds electricity efforts only for the purpose of decarbonizing buildings.</i>	Oppose (04/20/2021) [Gas Co withdrew opp. 4/29/21 (Lopez)]	<i>Sen. Appropriations 4/26/21; amended & re-referred; 4/27/21; Hearing 5/10/21; Suspense file; 2-yr bill</i>	<i>Letter submitted to Sen. Approps via Portal 4/28/21</i>	<i>Energy & Environment/Sarah. Wiltfong@bizfed.org</i>
SB242	Newman	Would require a health care service plan/ health insurer to contract with its health care providers to reimburse, at a reasonable rate, their business expenses that are medically necessary to render treatment to patients, to protect health care workers, and to	Oppose (04/20/2021)	Assembly. Health; Hearing 7/13/21; passed as amended; Asm. Approps 7/14/21; 2nd Read, amended. Re-referred APPR. 8/16/21; Hearing 8/26/21; passed as amended; 2nd Read and amended. Ordered to 2nd read 8/31/21	Letters to Sen. Approps members & via Portal 4/21/21	Health/De'Andre.Valencia@bizfed.org

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		prevent the spread of diseases causing public health emergencies.				
SB255	Portantino	Would authorize an asso. of employers to offer a large group health care service plan contract/ large group health insurance policy consistent with ERISA if certain requirements are met.	Support (04/20/2021)	Read first time. Held at Desk. 6/2/21; Asm. Health 6/14/21; Hearing 6/22/21; pass and re-refer to Approps. 6/22/21; Hearing 8/19/21; Susp; Hearing 8/26/21; passed; 2 nd Read. Ordered to 3rd read 8/30/21; 3rd Read and amended. Ordered to 3rd read 9/2/21.	Letters to Health Committee via Portal + members 6/15/21	Health/De'Andre.Valencia@bizfed.org
SB467	Wiener	<i>Bans most CA oil & gas permitting, hydraulic fracturing, acid well stimulation treatments, steam flooding, water flooding, or cyclic steaming: prohibition: job relocation; eff. 1/1/2022 & virtually all in-state production on 1/1/20217</i>	Oppose (03/16/2021)	<i>Sen. Natural Resources & Water/Environmental Quality 2/25/21; author amended 3/22/21; Hearing 4/13/21; failed in Committee; Reconsideration granted; Author – 2- year bill 4/27/21</i>	<i>Letter to Sen. NR&W Committee via Portal 3/18/21; Committee members 3/18/21</i>	<i>Energy & Environment/Sarah. Wiltfong@bizfed.org</i>
SB646	Hertzberg	Labor Code & Private Attorneys Act of 2004: Janitorial Employees	Oppose (08/10/2021) Exec Committee	Asm; 2 nd Read and amended. Re-referred to Approps 7/14/21; Hearing 8/19/21; Susp; Hearing 8/26/21; passed as amended; 2 nd Read and amended. Ordered to 2nd read 8/31/21; 3 rd Read Passed. (Ayes 49. Noes 0.) Ordered to the Senate; In Senate. Concurrence in Assembly amendments pending 9/2/21; Re-referred to Com. on RLS	Letter submitted to Asm. Approps via Portal (chair & vc) 8/15/21; committee 8/20/21	Small Business/Labor & Employment/Sarah. Wiltfong@bizfed.org

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				<p>pursuant to Senate Rule 29.10(d); Be re-referred to Com. on L., P.E. & R. pursuant to Senate Rule 29.10(d). (Ayes 5. Noes 0.) Re-referred to Com. on L., P.E. & R. 9/3/21</p>		
SB679	Kamlager	Creation of LA County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency	Oppose (08/10/2021) Exec Committee	In Assembly. 1 st Read. Held at Desk. 6/2/2021; Referred to Housing & Community Development 8/23/21; From committee with author's amendments. 2nd Read and amended. Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D. 8/23/21	Letter to Asm. Rules Chair & VC; 8/15/21	Land Use/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org

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INACTIVE FILE — *The portion of the Daily File containing legislation that is ready for floor consideration, but, for a variety of reasons, is dormant. An author may move a bill to the inactive file if he or she wishes to take it up at a later date. Once a bill is on the inactive file, one day’s public notice is needed to place it back on the agenda.*

Bill #	Author	Topic	BizFed	Status	Policy
AB255	Muratsuchi	Prevents landlords from evicting small business tenant if proof of reasonable hardship due to COVID-19 pandemic	Oppose (04/23/2021) Executive Committee	Ordered to inactive file at the request of Asm. Muratsuchi 6/3/21	Land Use/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org
AB257	Gonzalez	Fast Food Accountability & Standards (FAST) Recovery Act	Oppose (06/15/2021)	Ordered to inactive file at the request of Asm. Gonzalez. 6/28/21	Small Business/Labor & Employment/Sarah.Wilfong@bizfed.org
AB650	Muratsuchi	Employer-provided benefits: health care workers: COVID-19: hazard pay retention bonuses.	Oppose (01/19/2021) (re: Grocer Hazard Pay)	Ordered to inactive file at the request of Asm. Muratsuchi 6/3/21	Small Business/Labor & Employment/Sarah.Wilfong@bizfed.org
SB61	Hurtado	Requires CA Workforce Development Board establish/admin the Lifting Families Out of Poverty Supportive Services Program & appropriate \$50M in grants	Support (05/18/2021)	Ordered to inactive file on request of Sen. Hurtado 6/3/21	Econ. Mobility/DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org
SB213	Cortese	Establishes a presumption in the workers’ compensation program for a broad range of illnesses and injuries, and relieves these employees from having to demonstrate that certain infectious diseases, musculoskeletal injuries, and respiratory diseases arose from their work environment	Oppose (03/16/2021)	Ordered to inactive file. 6/3/21	Health/De'Andre.Valencia@bizfed.org
SB342	Gonzalez	Adds 2 members to the district board, appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly & to reside in and work directly with communities in the South Coast Air Basin that are disproportionately burdened by and vulnerable to high levels of pollution and issues of environmental justice	Oppose (03/16/2021)	Ordered to inactive file on request of Sen. Gonzalez 6/3/21	CARB/AQMD/Sarah.Wilfong@bizfed.org
SB485	Portantino	Tax Credits for certified studio construction projects	Support (05/18/2021)	Ordered to inactive file on request of Sen. Portantino 6/1/21	Responsible Governance /DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org

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HEARING POSTPONED - *A committee meeting convened for the purpose of considering and acting upon or gathering information on a specific subject.*

Bill #	Author	Topic	BizFed	Status	Policy
AB32	Aguiar-Curry	Telehealth	Support (06/15/2021)	Sen. Health 6/9/2021; first hearing 7/14/21. Hearing canceled at the request of author 7/8/21	
AB62	Gray	Business Pandemic Relief: Provides some regulatory relief for restaurants.	Support (01/19/2021)	Asm. Rev & Tax Committee; Hearing postponed by Committee 3/22/21	COVID-19 Economic Recovery Task Force Sarah.Wiltfong@bizfed.org
AB377	R. Rivas	Creates unnecessary burdensome and costly requirements to clean our waterways.	Oppose (04/20/2021)	Asm. Approps; Hearing 5/19/21; Hearing postponed by Committee 5/20/21	Water/Sarah.Wiltfong@bizfed.org
AB426	Bauer-Kahan	Toxic Air contaminants & ISR	Oppose (03/16/2021)	Asm. Natural Resources; Hearing canceled @ Author's request 4/14/21	CARB/AQMD/Sarah.Wiltfong@bizfed.org
AB1014	McCarty	Increases max amount \$\$ worth of cannabis a delivery driver may carry to \$25,000	Support (05/18/2021)	Asm. Approps; Hearing postponed by committee 5/20/21	Responsible Governance/DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org
SB67	Becker	Adds clean energy procurement requirements before the State established updated GHG targets	Oppose Executive Committee (09/23/2021)	Sen. Energy, Utilities & Communications Hearing cancelled at author's request 4/26/21; Author - 2-year bill	Energy & Environment/Sarah.Wiltfong@bizfed.org
SB230	Portantino	State Water Resources Control Board: Constituents of Emerging Concern Program. Streamlines assessment process of potential new contaminants	Support (SB996) (03/17/2021)	Sen. Approps Hearing canceled at author's request 3/22/21	Water/Sarah.Wiltfong@bizfed.org

HELD UNDER SUBMISSION — *An action taken by a committee when a bill is heard in committee and there is an indication that the author and the committee members want to work on or discuss the bill further, but there is no motion for the bill to progress out of committee. This does not preclude the bill from being set for another hearing.*

Bill #	Author	Topic	BizFed	Status	Policy
AB454	Rodriguez	Would mandate dental care plans to provide specified payments & support to a	Oppose (04/20/2021)	Asm. Health Committee 5/20/21	Health/DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org

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		provider during and at least 60 days after the end of a declared state of emergency			
AB915	Chiu & Holden	Codifies 25% goal for small business State procurement & commitment inc. DBEs, DVBEs	Support (05/18/2021)	Sen. Appropriations 8/26/21	Small Business & Labor & Employment/Sarah.Wi Itfong@bizfed.org
AB1401	Friedman	Parking requirements within 1/2 mile walking from public transit	Support (08/10/2021) Exec Committee	Sen. Appropriations 8/26/21	Transportation/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org
AB1425	Gipson	Broadband Public Housing Account	Support (08/10/2021) Exec Committee	Sen. Appropriations 8/26/21	Responsible Governance/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org
SB662	Archuleta	Authorizes gas utilities to file applications at CPUC to accelerate build out of refueling stations for fuel cell electric vehicle (FCEV)	Support (05/18/2021)	Sen. Appropriations. 5/20/21	Energy & Environment/Sarah.Wi Itfong@bizfed.org
SB687	Hueso	Emergency Response/Combat Dressing Trauma Kits	Oppose (08/10/2021) Exec Committee	Asm. Appropriations 8/26/21	Responsible Governance/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org
SB743	Bradford	Broadband Adoption & Grants	Support (08/10/2021) Exec Committee	Asm. Appropriations 8/26/21	Responsible Governance/Chris.Wilson@bizfed.org

THIRD READING; FAILED PASSAGE – *Each bill introduced must be read three times before final passage. Third reading is the stage at which bills are eligible for Floor debate and final vote.*

June 4 - *Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house (J.R. 61(a)(8))*

Bill #	Author	Topic	BizFed	Status	Policy
AB257	Gonzalez	Establishes Fast Food Sector Council and tasks them with conducting a variety of health, safety & employment standards.	Oppose (06/15/2021)	Read third time. Refused passage. 8/3/21; Motion to reconsider made by Asm. Gonzalez 6/3/21	Small Business/Labor & Employment/Sarah.Wi Itfong@bizfed.org
AB273	Irwin	Prohibits a licensee from advertising or marketing on a billboard or similar advertising device visible from an interstate Hwy or state Hwy within CA	Oppose (03/18/2021)	Asm. Business & Professions Committee 4/27/21; Failed passage. Reconsideration granted.	Responsible Governance/DeAndre.Valencia@bizfed.org