



**FRESNO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COUNCIL**

**MEETING AGENDA  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2015  
12:00 P.M.**

**PRESIDING  
RUTH EVANS, CHAIR  
BRIAN DOMINGOS, VICE CHAIR**

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

**II. Legislative Updates**

**III. Approval of Minutes for June 10 meeting**

**IV. Presentations**

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| A. | Water Update – Buddy Mendes, Fresno County Supervisor      | INFORMATION |
| B. | ABC Tax Reform – Rudy Mendoza, Office of Congressman Nunes | INFORMATION |

**V. Legislative Items**

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| A. | HR 2898 (Valadao) Western Water and American Food Security Act         | ACTION |
| B. | AB 410 (Oberholte) Reports submitted to legislative committees         | ACTION |
| C. | AB 797 (Steinorth) Regulations: effective dates and legislative review | ACTION |
| D. | SCA 7 (Huff) Motor vehicle fees and taxes: restriction on expenditures | ACTION |

**VI. Issue Tracking Update**

**VII. Chair's Report – Ruth Evans**

*State of the County September 29<sup>th</sup>*

**VIII. Adjourn**



**FRESNO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
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MEETING MINUTES**

**PRESIDING:  
RUTH EVANS, CHAIR  
BRIAN DOMINGOS, VICE CHAIR**

Committee:	Government Affairs Council
Chairperson:	Ruth Evans
Vice-Chair:	Brian Domingos
Meeting Date/Time:	June 10, 2015
Meeting Place:	Fresno Chamber of Commerce
Committee attendees:	Ruth Evans, Bill Avakian, Brian Domingos, Cam Maloy, John Taylor, Debbie Hunsaker, Larry Fortune, Ryan Jacobsen, Lorraine Salazar, Austin Ewell, Victoria Salisch, Randy Dhindsa, Nick Amendola, Al Smith, Scott Miller
Committee absences:	Sieg Fischer, Lydia Zabrycki
Staff:	Rachel Eslick

**CALL TO ORDER**

- **Chair Ruth Evans called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m.**

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATES**

Christina Hall of Congressman Tom McClintock's office told us that her boss is attempting to fast-track the EIR process to deal with trees that need to be cut down in National Forests because of wildfire concerns with the drought. Nathan Alonzo with Senator Vidak's office talked about budget week hearings in Sacramento and a deadline of June 15<sup>th</sup> to adopt it. Chelsea Kemple of Assemblyman Jim Patterson's office invited everyone to a drought workshop her office is putting on in Clovis on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Shannon Major of Senator Berryhill's office spoke about SCA 7, a bill that keeps transportation dollars in transportation. Raj Rakkar of Assemblyman Perea's office updated the GAC about three supported bills that are moving through the Senate after passing through Assembly. Rudy Mendoza of Congressman Devin Nunes' office talked about an ABC Tax Plan that is a legislative priority for his boss.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Randy Dhindsa made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 8<sup>th</sup> and May 13<sup>th</sup> meetings. The Motion was seconded by Larry Fortune and passed unanimously.*

**ISSUE PRESENTATION**

**TPA/TPP and Export-Import Bank – Jennings Imel, U.S. Chamber of Commerce**

Jennings Imel of U.S. Chamber of Commerce updated the GAC on Trade Promotion Authority (TPA) and its progression through Congress. It passed through the Senate a few weeks ago and is set to be voted on by the House on Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. Jennings expects that IF it passes, it will only be by a couple votes. Valley congressman are supportive, including Congressman Jim Costa, who has taken a lot of heat from labor unions over it. TPA has divided both parties for different reasons. It allows the President to publish the

Trans Pacific Partnership (TPP) agreement to the public for 60 days and gives Congress a chance to vote up or down (no amendments). Some republicans say it gives the President too much authority and some democrats say TPP is a bad deal for the U.S. The Fresno Chamber is supportive of both TPA and TPP. Jennings believes if TPA passes, TPP could be finalized by the end of the year. The trade deal has been in the works for four years and represents 40% of GDP.

Export-Import Bank is a department that assists exporting businesses in securing insurance when private companies can't do it. Ex-Im authorization runs out on June 30<sup>th</sup>. It's controversial among leadership in the House with John Boehner supportive and Kevin McCarthy opposed. Some republicans say if Ex-Im didn't exist, private sector companies would fill the void. Supporters say it would hurt exporters to lose a critical safety net, especially why every other exporting country currently has their own version of Ex-Im Bank. Randy Dhindsa mentioned that his RaboBank customers use it routinely when the private sector can't be of service.

*Lorraine Salazar made a motion to support Export-Import Bank. Randy Dhindsa seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

## LEGISLATIVE ITEMS

**A. AB 1490 (Rendon) Oil and gas: well stimulation treatments: seismic act**

This bill was removed from the agenda because it failed to advance and is now considered dead.

**B. AJR 14 (Chu) Export-Import Bank of the United State reauthorization - support**

**C. AB 323 (Olsen) CEQA: exemption: roadway improvement - support**

**D. AB 35 (Chiu) Income taxes: credits: low-income housing: allocation - support**

*Larry Fortune made a motion to approve staff recommendations for items B-D. Brian Domingos seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.*

## TRACKING UPDATE

The GAC has taken support/oppose positions on four City of Fresno issues, two Fresno County issues, 55 State issues and six Federal issues. Of the 14 Cal Chamber identified "job killer" bills the GAC opposed, six are dead and eight are still alive. The bills we will continue to fight include: an increase to minimum wage, extensions of greater greenhouse gas limits and related taxes, and an expansion to the family rights act.

## CHAIR'S REPORT

Ruth Evans spoke about the Fresno Chamber's trip to Sacramento May 27<sup>th</sup> and thanked the offices of Assemblyman Perea, Assemblyman Bigelow and Senator Cannella for meeting with our group. She reminded people about Eggs & Issues with Assemblywoman Kristin Olsen and State of the County on September 29<sup>th</sup>.

## ADJOURN

- **Meeting adjourned at 12:46 p.m.**

July 8, 2015

## HR 2898 (Valadao) Western Water and American Food Security Act of 2015

**Source** – Office of David Valadao, Congress.gov

**Summary** – HR 2898 would require federal agencies to use current and reliable data when making regulatory decisions, which in turn would provide more water for communities in need. It would also provide federal regulators with direction and flexibility to capture water during periods of greater rain, which could be used to dramatically increase California’s water supplies. Finally, it would cut the red tape holding back major water storage projects that have been authorized for over a decade.

**Background** – This is the second water bill David Valadao has introduced in two years. Last year’s bill (HR 3964) passed the House but was never taken up by the Senate. Without rain, this bill can’t and won’t provide relief from the drought, but when it does rain, it ensures more water will be captured and utilized for communities and farmers.

Extremely dry conditions have persisted in 4 the State since 2012, and the drought conditions are likely to persist into the future. The water supplies of the State are at record-low levels, as indicated by the fact that all major Central Valley Project reservoir levels were at 20–35 percent of capacity as of September 25, 2014. The lack of precipitation has been a significant contributing factor to the 6,091 fires experienced in the State as of September 15, 2014, and 13 which covered nearly 400,000 acres.

According to a study released by the University of California, Davis in July 2014, the drought has led to the fallowing of 428,000 acres of 17 farmland, loss of \$810 million in crop revenue, loss of \$203 million in dairy and other livestock value, and increased groundwater pumping costs by \$454 million. The statewide economic costs are estimated to be \$2.2 billion, with over 17,000 seasonal and 22 part-time agricultural jobs lost.

**Support** – HR 2898 has the support of the entire California Republican delegation. McCarthy, Calvert, Nunes, Lamalfa, Denham and McClintock are co-authors of the bill.

**Opposition** – None on record, but environmental groups have opposed similar legislation in the past

**Status** – Introduced on June 25, 2015

**Staff Recommendation** – Support

July 8, 2015

## AB 410 (Obernolte) Reports submitted to legislative committees

**Source** – Leg info

**Summary** – AB 410 requires a state agency to post on its web site any report it is required by law to submit to a committee of the Legislature. Specifies that a “report” includes a study or audit, or a budget change proposal that has been approved by the Department of Finance, and submitted to the joint Legislative Budget Committee, the Assembly Committee on Budget, or the Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review.

**Background** – According to the author, under existing law, legally mandated reports submitted to the legislative committees by a state agency are considered public information and subject to the CPRA. However, only reports submitted to the Legislature as a body must be posted online. There is no requirement that a report submitted to a committee of the Legislature must be posted online. This costly and time-consuming process in place to obtain these documents is an unnecessary barrier to public information. California Public Records Act. The CPRA, passed by the Legislature and signed into law in 1968, requires inspection and/or disclosure of governmental records to the public. When the Legislature enacted the CPRA, it expressly declared that “access to information concerning the conduct of the people’s business is a fundamental and necessary right of every person in this state.” By promoting prompt public access to government records, the CPRA is intended to promote accountability of government by the public. Most of the exemptions to the CPRA are specific to certain records or types of records, but there is a general exemption where, on the facts of the particular case, “the public interest served by not making the record public clearly outweighs the public interest served by disclosure of the record.”

**Support** – CalChamber, California League of Food Processors, and Family Business Association are among the roughly two dozen organizations in support of AB 410.

**Opposition** – No opposition on file

**Status** – Senate Appropriations

**Staff Recommendation** – Support

## LEGISLATIVE ITEMS

### ITEM C

July 8, 2015

## AB 797 (Steinorth) Regulations: effective dates and legislative review

**Source** – Leg info

**Summary** – Would improve communication and transparency by requiring a copy of each major regulation submitted to the Secretary of State (SOS) by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL)

to also be submitted to the appropriate Legislative policy committees responsible for the subject matter of the regulation for review.

**Background** – The author says that the bill improves transparency of the rule making process and accountability to ensure that major government regulations, those with a fiscal impact on California's economy of \$50 million or greater, face careful scrutiny by elected officials. Currently, the OAL publishes all adopted regulations, including major regulations, in the California Regulatory Notice Register. Additionally, the Department of Finance posts a list of major regulations on its website.

**Support** – AB 797 passed the Assembly nearly unanimously, with only three legislators abstaining from voting on the issue. CalChamber supports the bill

**Opposition** – None on file

**Status** – Senate Governmental Organization

**Staff Recommendation** – Support

## LEGISLATIVE ITEMS

### ITEM D

July 8, 2015

<b>SCA 7 (Huff) Motor vehicle fees and taxes: restriction on expenditures</b>
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**Source** – Leg info

**Summary** – SCA 7 would amend the state constitution to prohibit the Legislature from borrowing revenues from fees and taxes imposed by the state on vehicles or their use or operation, and from using those revenues for other programs. It would delete the provision that provides for use of any fuel tax revenues allocated to mass transit purposes to be pledged or used for payment of principal and interest on voter-approved bonds issued for those mass transit purposes, and would instead subject those expenditures to the existing 25% limitation applicable to the use of fuel tax revenues for street and highway bond purposes.

**Background** – California has 175,499 miles of public roads and \$59 billion in accumulated deferred maintenance. 87% of county roads have an average pavement rating of “at risk” or “poor”. In fact, the average California driver pays \$832 annually for the increased cost of vehicle maintenance, tire wear, and increased gas costs because California streets and roads are in such disrepair. In 2002, the voters passed Proposition 42, with 69% of the vote, which purported to guarantee transportation taxes and fees would only be used for transportation purposes, but during the fiscal crisis beginning in 2009, taxes and fees being paid by California’s drivers were diverted to the state General Fund and not used to repair or maintain California streets and roads. To keep the Proposition 42 promise to the voters that transportation taxes

and fees shall only be used for transportation purposes and not diverted to the General Fund to pay the cost of general obligation bonds, and to ensure that any future transportation fees or taxes are used only for transportation purposes, the voters should be given an opportunity to close the Proposition 42 loophole.

**Support** – Two-thirds of the Senate and Assembly agree on this issue.

**Opposition** – None on file

**Status** – Senate Transportation and Housing

**Staff Recommendation** – Support

## CITY OF FRESNO

NO.	ISSUE	SUMMARY	GAC POSITION	STATUS	BAINES	BRAND	BRANDAL	CAPRIOG	OLIVIER	QUINTER	SORIA
1	Recharge Fresno	Implement water rate hike to fund water infrastructure projects	SUPPORT	Feb 26th vote	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	SUPPORT
2	Enterprise Oversight Act	Ensure transparency in major projects using rate payer dollars	SUPPORT	Feb 26th vote	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT
3	Smart & Final Development	Allow Smart & Final to build on Blackstone	SUPPORT	*position taken in 2014							
4	Construction Management Act	Oversight for public projects over \$10 million to be completed on time and on budget	SUPPORT	May 21 vote	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	SUPPORT

## FRESNO COUNTY

NO.	ISSUE	SUMMARY	GAC POSITION	STATUS	BORGEAS	MENDES	PACHECO	PEREA	POOCHIGIAN
1	Recharge Fresno	Refrain from sending 30-40 protest ballots to water rate hike	SUPPORT	VOTED 1/27/15	SUPPORT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
2	Riverbend Sand & Gravel Project	619-acre aggregate construction material mining project along the Kings River	SUPPORT	appeal withdrawn - no vote taken					

## STATE

NO.	BILLS	TITLE	SUMMARY	GAC POSITION	STATUS
1	SB 5 (Vidak)	Transportation Fuel Exemption	Would eliminate the inclusion of transportation fuel in the cap and trade program	SUPPORT	Senate Environmental Quality
2	AB 23 (Patterson)	Transportation Fuel Exemption	Would eliminate the inclusion of transportation fuel in the cap and trade program	SUPPORT	Assembly natural resources
3	AB 54 (Olsen)	Construction Related Accessibility Claims	Would give businesses a 60 day cure period once a violation is found	SUPPORT	Senate Rules
4	SB 3 (Leno)	Minimum Wage Act	Would raise minimum wage	OPPOSE	Assembly Pending Referral
5	AB 11 (Gonzalez)	Paid Sick Days for In Home Health Workers	Would extend paid sick leave to in home healthcare workers	OPPOSE	Assembly Appropriations
6	AB 52 (Gray)	Public Accommodations: construction related accessibility claims	Would reduce damages assessed for ADA violations if area of noncompliance is fixed within 180 days	SUPPORT	Assembly Judiciary
7	SB 67 (Galgiani)	Disability access: statutory damages	Would limit small businesses from statutory damage liability in ADA claims	SUPPORT	Senate Judiciary



8	AB 156 (Perea)	Cal. Global Warming Solutions Act: investment plan	Would provide funding for small cities and communities to apply for projects to be included for consideration for cap & trade money	SUPPORT	Senate Pending Referral
9	AB 1389 (Patterson)	Fair Contracts for California Farmworkers	Would allow farmworkers to attend mediation and override an ALRB contract decision by majority vote.	SUPPORT	Assembly Labor & Employment
10	AB 842 (Patterson)	Double Payments for Health Care Coverage Fix	Would fix a problem that requires contractors to pay union health coverage on PLA jobs if the contractor is already paying ACA-approved coverage	SUPPORT	Failed Passage in Committee
11	AB 612 (Patterson)	Minimum Franchise Tax Reduction for New Businesses	Would allow new businesses with gross receipts of 5k or less to pay half the minimum franchise tax in years one and two	SUPPORT	Assembly Revenue and Taxation
12	AB 483 (Patterson)	Professional Licenses: Initial Licensure Fees	Would allow licensees to pay a pro-rated amount of their issuance fee so they wouldn't pay full renewal before one year has passed	SUPPORT	Senate Pending Referral
13	AB 263 (Patterson)	Hazardous Material Testing Methods	Would direct the Dept of Toxic Substances to update its regulations for testing methods to align with federal standards	SUPPORT	Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials
14	AB 335 (Patterson)	Air Resources Board Minor Violation Program	Would reinstate a program to issue a "notice to comply" for minor violations instead of immediate fines	SUPPORT	Failed Passage in Committee
15	SB 127 (Vidak)	Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014	Would streamline the environmental review process for projects funded by the Water Bond. Challenges to EIR under CEQA should be resolved within 270 days of report completion	SUPPORT	Senate Environmental Quality
16	SB 8 (Hertzberg)	Taxation on Service Industry Businesses	Would create a sales tax on service industry businesses like auto repair shops, contractors, restaurants, yoga studios, etc	OPPOSE	Senate Governance & Finance
17	SB 203 (Monning)	Safety Warning for Sugar Sweetened Beverages	Would mandate a safety warning on all beverages sweetened with sugar to read: CALIFORNIA STATE WARNNG: drinking beverages with added sugar contributes to obesity, diabetes and tooth decay	OPPOSE	Senate Health

18	SB 32 (Pavley)	Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: emissions limit	Extends the greenhouse gas emissions limit to 80% below 1990 levels by 2050 and allows the state to establish benchmark limits for 2030 and 2040	OPPOSE	Assembly Pending Referral
19	SB 350 (De Leon)	Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015	Would set goals of 50% reduction in petroleum use, 50% utility power coming from renewable energy and 50% increase in energy efficiency in existing buildings by 2030	OPPOSE	Assembly Pending Referral
20	AB 67 (Gonzalez)	Double Pay on the Holiday Act of 2015	Would require employers to pay employees at least double pay on Christmas and Thanksgiving.	OPPOSE	Assembly Failed
21	AB 357 (Chiu)	Fair Scheduling Act of 2015	Would require employers to provide employees with work schedules two weeks ahead of time or face penalties for changes within that period of time	OPPOSE	Assembly Inactive
22	AB 970 (Nazarian)	Labor Commissioner : enforcement of employee claims	Would make the state enforce minimum wage laws in cities that have raised it above the state level. In these cities, there's already a local agency required to enforce and penalize employers who fail to pay minimum wage	OPPOSE	Senate Labor and Industrial Relations
23	AB 883 (Low)	Employment: public employee status	Prevents an employer from adequately researching an applicant's work history without the threat of litigation	OPPOSE	Senate Pending Referral
24	AB 944 (Oberholte)	Unemployment compensation's benefits: hearing procedures	Would allow the unemployment insurance appeals board to conduct hearings over the phone instead of just in person, saving the state, employers and applicants time and money	SUPPORT	Assembly Insurance
25	AB 543 (Quirk)	Proposition 65: exposure	Would amend Prop 65 to require scientific testing and proof of harm from chemical exposure before a business is required to provide a warning	SUPPORT	Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials
26	AB 588 (Grove)	Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004	Would close loopholes that allow lawyers to sue businesses for minor paycheck stub mistakes	SUPPORT	Assembly Labor and Employment
27	AB 1038 (Jones)	Workplace Flexibility Act	Would allow four ten hour workshifts at the request of an individual, nonexempt employee	SUPPORT	Assembly Labor and Employment

28	AB 1468 (Baker)	Civil rights: disability access	Would presume compliance of ADA if the business received a close out letter from the State Architect and would allow a 60 day cure period to correct any violations from the notice date	SUPPORT	Assembly Judiciary
29	AB 1470 (Alejo)	Working hours: overtime	Would presume exempt status from overtime for nonmanual labor employees earning at least \$100,000 per year	SUPPORT	Assembly Labor and Employment
30	AB 463 (Chiu)	Pharmaceutic al Cost Transparency Act	Would require drug manufacturers to provide more transparency for drugs that cost \$10,000 or more annually	SUPPORT	Assembly Health
31	SB 152 (Vidak)	Personal incomes taxes: earned income credit	Would put money back into the pockets of low-income taxpayers by creating the refundable California Earned Income Tax Credit	SUPPORT	Senate Appropriati ons
32	AB 1265 (Perea)	Public Private Partnership Sunset Extension	Would extend the existing P3 to continue indefinitely, which allows alternative transportation infrastructure funding, design and construction	SUPPORT	Assembly Appropriati ons
33	AB 1176 (Perea)	California Clean Fuel Partnership	Would require a majority of available funding, no less than 50%, of ARFVTP and AQIP to go to disadvantaged communities	SUPPORT	Senate Pending Referral
34	AB 857 (Perea)	CA Clean Truck Act	Would expand incentives to support deployment of clean and low carbon heavy-duty vehicles involved in goods movement	SUPPORT	Senate Pending Referral
35	AB 722 (Perea)	Small Business Access to Capital through Crowdfunding	Would offer startup and emerging small businesses new avenues for finding investors through crowdfunding	SUPPORT	Assembly Appropriati ons
36	AB 99 (Perea)	Mortgage Debt Forgiveness for Californians	Would extend the tax relief on forgiveness of mortgage debt by conforming California law to Federal law	SUPPORT	Senate Pending Referral
37	AB 185 (Garcia)	California New Markets Tax Credit	Would establish the California New Markets Tax Credit Program, authorizing up to \$200 million in tax credits to be deployed to small businesses in low-income tracts	SUPPORT	Assembly Revenue and Taxation
38	AB 544 (Mullin)	Income taxes: credits: research activities	Would modernize California's research and development tax credit to encourage companies to increase investment funding	SUPPORT	Assembly In Desk Process

39	SB 546 (Leno)	Health care coverage: rate review	Would mandate any increase to large-group health insurance rates to be filed for review	OPPOSE	Assembly Pending Referral
40	AB 1017	Employers	Prohibits an employer from publishing a a job without listing the salary	OPPOSE	Senate Labor and Industrial Relations
41	AB 590 (Dahle)	Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund	Would appropriate money from GGRF into a Biomass State Cost Share Account	SUPPORT	Senate Pending Referral
42	SB 251 (Roth)	Civil rights: disability access	Would give businesses 90 days from CASp receipt to resolve issues and 30 days that don't impede access	SUPPORT	Assembly Pending Referral
43	SB 406 (Jackson)	Employment leave	Would significantly expand California Family Rights Act to include more family members for whom leave can be taken and reduce the small business exemption from 50 to five employees	OPPOSE	Assembly Pending Referral
44	AB 359 (Gonzalez)	Grocery Workers	Would require a company that buys an existing grocery store to retain employees for 90 days and recognize bargaining agreements	OPPOSE	Senate Labor and Industrial Relations
45	AB 465 (Hernandez)	Contracts against public policy	Would preclude mandatory employment arbitration agreements	OPPOSE	Senate Labor and Industrial Relations
46	ACA 4 (Frazier)	Local government transportation projects	Makes it easier to pass taxes by giving local government new authority to enact special taxes by lowering the vote threshold from two-thirds to 55% for local transportation projects	OPPOSE	Assembly Revenue and Taxation
47	SCA 5 (Hancock)	Local Government: special taxes: voter approval	Makes it easier to pass taxes by amending the State Constitution to allow local government to pass school tax for facilities by 55% voter approval instead of two-thirds	OPPOSE	Senate Governance & Finance
48	SB 654 (de Leon)	Hazardous waste: facilities permitting	Would establish tighter deadlines for hazardous waste facilities to submit permit renewals and if DTSC doesn't respond in 36 months the facility is deemed in violation	OPPOSE	Assembly Pending Referral
49	AB 1357 (Bloom)	Children and Family Health Promotion Program	Would impost a "health promotion fee" of \$0.02 per fluid ounce on bottled sugar sweetened beverages and concentrates	OPPOSE	Assembly health

50	AB 708 (Jones-Sawyer)	Consumer products: content information	Would require manufacturers of household cleaning products to disclose the 20 more prevalent ingredients contained on the label and online	OPPOSE	Assembly Appropriations
51	AB 19 (Chang)	Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development: small businesses	Requires review of regulation and the opportunity to amend those regulations to be less costly and less burdensome for small businesses while still achieving the same policy objectives	SUPPORT	Assembly Appropriations
52	AB 866 (Garcia)	Economic development: small business	Would expand the duties of OSBA to include assisting state rulemaking agencies to identify the aggregate number and size of businesses which may be affected by a new or amended regulation	SUPPORT	Senate Pending Referral
53	AB 356 (Williams)	Oil and gas: groundwater monitoring	Would limit fracking and harm business and the oil industry	OPPOSE	Assembly Failed
54	SB 248 (Pavley)	Oil and gas: groundwater monitoring	Would limit fracking and harm business and the oil industry	OPPOSE	Assembly Pending Referral
55	SB 454 (Allen)	Water Quality: oil and gas: exempted aquifer	Would limit fracking and harm business and the oil industry	OPPOSE	Senate Failed
56	AJR 14 (Chu)	Export-Import Bank of the U.S.	Supports Congress reauthorizing Export-Import Bank, which secures backing for companies to export goods when the private sector can't	SUPPORT	Senate Third Reading
57	AB 323 (Olsen)	CEQA: exemption: roadway improvement	Extends the exemption of CEQA for project to repair and maintain and making minor alterations to existing roads	SUPPORT	Senate Environmental Quality
58	AB 35 (Chiu)	Income Taxes: credits: low income housing	Modifies the existing LIHTC program and increases the aggregate credit amount allocated to low-income housing projects	SUPPORT	Senate Pending Referral

## FEDERAL

NO.	BILLS	TITLE	SUMMARY	GAC POSITION	STATUS
1	HR 30	40 Hour Work Week	Redefines full time as 40 hours per week instead of 30 hours per week for the Affordable Care Act	SUPPORT	PASSED HOUSE
2		Fuel Tax	Would raise the federal fuel tax to fund the Highway Trust Fund	OPPOSE	

3		Trade Promotion Authority	Procedural authorization to allow Trans Pacific Partnership, which opens the export market for more commerce with countries	SUPPORT	
4	HR 692 (McClintock)	Default Prevention Act	Would guarantee the U.S. Government's sovereign debt would be paid in full and on time under any circumstances - even during political gridlock	SUPPORT	
5	HR 1668 (McClintock)	Save Our Water Act	During times of declared drought, would amend the Endangered Species Act to suspend water releases for adjusting river water temperatures	SUPPORT	
6	S 1140 (Barrasso)	Federal Water Quality Protection Act	Would reverse the new EPA regulations which significantly expands the agency's control over bodies of water	SUPPORT	
7		Export-Import Bank	Reauthorize the government program that provides financial security and insurance for companies exporting to other countries	SUPPORT	

2015 GAC ATTENDANCE												
MEMBER	JAN	FEB	MAR*	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
AMENDOLA	0	0	0	X	0	X						
AVAKIAN	X	X	X	X	X	X						
DHINDSA	X	X	X		0	0	X					
DOMINGOS	X	X	X	X	X	X						
EVANS	0	X	X	X	X	X						
EWELL	0	X	0	0	X	X						
FISCHER	0	X	X	X	X	0						
FORTUNE	X	X	0	X	X	X						
HUNSAKER	X	X	0	X	X	X						
JACOBSEN	X	X	0	X	X	X						
MALOY	X	0	0	0	X	X						
MILLER	X	X	0	X	0	X						
SALAZAR	X	X	X	0	X	X						
SALISCH	0	X	0	0	X	X						
SMITH	X	X	0	X	0	X						
TAYLOR	X	0	0	X	X	X						
ZABRYCKI	X	0	X	X	0	0						
Present "X"	A member who misses 3 consecutive meetings will be dropped											
Absent "0"	A member who misses 4 of 12 annual regular meetings will be dropped											
*Date Change	Absence doesn't count against attendance											