

## **BILLS OF SPECIAL INTEREST** 2013-2014 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

## **SUMMARY** May 21, 2014

AB 269 Vote By Mail Ballots: Milit	ary or Overseas Voters
AUTHOR:	Grove and Patterson
INTRODUCED:	02/07/2013
AMENDED:	04/16/2013
STATUS:	06/13/2013 To Senate Committee on E. & C. A.
CACEO POSITION:	Oppose, unless amended
SUMMARY:	Provides that a vote by mail ballot of a military or overseas voter is timely
	cast if it is postmarked by the United State Postal Service or the Military
	Postal Service Agency on or before election day and received by the votercy elections official no later than three days after election day.

AB 280 Voting Rights	
AUTHOR:	Alejo
INTRODUCED:	02/11/2013
AMENDED:	09/06/2013
STATUS:	06/04/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on E. & C. A.
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed
SUMMARY:	Establishes a state preclearance system applicable only to the counties of Kings, Monterey, and Yuba, if a county enacts or seeks to administer a voting qualification or prerequisite to voting, or a standard, practice, or procedure with respect to voting that is different from that in force or effect on June 25, 2013, the county elections official would be required to submit the qualification, prerequisite, standard, practice, or procedure to the Attorney General for approval. Requires the Attorney General to approve the qualification, prerequisite, standard, practice, or procedure only if it neither has the purpose nor will have the effect of denying or abridging the right to vote on account of race or color. Provides that the qualification, prerequisite, standard, practice, or procedure shall not take effect or be administered in the county until the county receives the approval of the Attorney General.

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AB 882 Recall Elections: State Of	ficers: Signature Verification
AUTHOR:	Gordon
INTRODUCED:	02/22/2013
STATUS:	06/27/2013 In Senate. To Inactive File.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Provides that if 500 or more signatures on a recall petition are submitted to
	the elections official, the election official may verify, using a random
	sampling technique, either 3 percent of the signatures submitted or 500
	signatures, whichever is greater.

*AB 938 Voting: Felons	
AUTHOR:	Weber
INTRODUCED:	02/22/2013
AMENDED:	06/25/2013
STATUS:	06/04/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on E. & C. A.
CACEO POSITION:	Oppose unless amended
SUMMARY:	Provides that any person who was placed on probation, as specified, is excluded from the court clerks reports. Require that the statement also include the last four digits of the persons social security number, if available. Specifies that the county elections official is required to cancel the affidavit of registration of a person imprisoned or on parole for a felony conviction whose name, address, date of birth, and the last four digits of his or her social security number, if available, are the same as reported on the court clerks statement.

AB 1117 Initiative Petitions: Electron	onic Access
AUTHOR:	Donnelly
INTRODUCED:	02/22/2013
AMENDED:	06/24/2013
STATUS:	08/30/2013 In Senate Committee on Appropriations: Held in committee.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Requires the Secretary of State to provide on his or her Internet Web site an electronic mail address at which the proponent of a proposed initiative or referendum measure may submit to the Secretary of State a copy of the petition for the proposed measure in portable document format. Requires the Secretary of State, within two business days of receiving a petition in this manner, to provide on his or her Internet Web site a hyperlink by which the petition is available to the public and can be downloaded and printed. Requires that a specified disclaimer be included on the Internet Web page that makes the petition available to the public.

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AB 1311 Recall Elections	
AUTHOR:	Bradford
INTRODUCED:	02/22/2013
AMENDED:	03/21/2013
STATUS:	07/11/2013 In Senate. To Inactive File.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Provides that when a vacancy occurs, the elections official for each county in which a section of the recall petition has been filed is required to immediately verify the signatures on the petition submitted to the elections official as of the date of the vacancy. Provides that if the elections official verifies that a sufficient number of signatures were filed as of the date of the vacancy, the recall election shall not proceed. Provides that if the elections official verifies that an insufficient number of signatures, or no signatures, were filed as of the date of the vacancy, the recall election shall not proceed and a vacancy in the office that is subject of the recall election shall be filed as otherwise provided by law. Deletes the requirement that a person appointed to fill the vacancy holds office only until a successor is selected and instead would prohibit a person who was subject to a recall petition from being appointed to fill the vacancy in the office that he or she vacated or to fill any other vacancy in office on the same governing board for the duration of the term of office of the vacated seat.

AB 1440 Elections: Rights of Voter	s: Public Hearing
AUTHOR:	Campos
INTRODUCED:	01/06/2014
AMENDED:	04/08/2014
STATUS:	05/15/2014 To Consent Calendar.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Requires the governing body to hold at least one public hearing on a proposal to adjust the boundaries of a division prior to a public hearing at which the political subdivision votes to approve or defeat the proposal. Requires a political subdivision that changes from an at-large method of election to a district-based election, as defined, to hold at least 2 public hearings on a proposal to establish the district boundaries of the political subdivision prior to a public hearing at which the governing body of the political subdivision votes to approve or defeat the proposal.

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AB 1446 Designation of Voter Reg	istration Agencies
AUTHOR:	Mullin
INTRODUCED:	01/06/2014
AMENDED:	03/25/2014
STATUS:	06/04/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on E. & C. A.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Amends provisions of existing law regarding voter registration to include compliance with rules governing the distribution of voter registration cards, the confidentiality of the voter's signature on an registration card, the distribution of voter registration cards at high schools and public institutions of higher education, providing a link from the county's website to the Secretary of State's website for registration purposes, and compliance of rules by persons paid to help a person register to vote.

AB 1589 Military or Overseas Vote	rs: Electronic Ballots
AUTHOR:	Frazier
INTRODUCED:	02/03/2014
STATUS:	06/04/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on E. & C. A.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Provides that the application for a ballot shall be considered a standing request for electronic delivery of a ballot for all elections conducted in the jurisdiction in which the military or overseas voter is eligible to vote and require the elections official to provide for electronic delivery of the ballot.

AB 1596 Elections: Vote By Mail Ballot Applications	
AUTHOR:	Garcia
INTRODUCED:	02/04/2014
STATUS:	05/15/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Requires a printed vote by mail application that allows a voter to submit the application by mail to inform the voter of the address for the elections official and specify that address the only appropriate destination address for the application, as specified. Provides that it not be construed as prohibiting an individual, organization, or group that distributes applications for vote by mail voter ballots from collecting or receiving applications from voters by means other than having applications mailed directly to the address of the distributing individual, organization, or group.

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AB 1655 Local Government: Count	ies: Board of Supervisors
AUTHOR:	Achadjian
INTRODUCED:	02/11/2014
STATUS:	02/11/2014 Introduced.
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed
SUMMARY:	Makes nonsubstantive changes to existing provisions that requires each county to have a board of supervisors consisting of 5 members and requires that no more than 3 members be elected at the same general election.

AB 1673 Political Reform Act of 1974: Contributions	
AUTHOR:	Garcia
INTRODUCED:	02/12/2014
AMENDED:	04/09/2014
STATUS:	05/08/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.
CACEO POSITION:	No Position
SUMMARY:	Revises the definition of contribution+to exclude a lobbyist, lobbying firm, or lobbyist employer from the exemption authorizing a payment of \$500 or less by the occupant of a home or office for costs related to a meeting or fundraising event at the home or office, thereby making those payments by a lobbyist, lobbying [firm, or lobbyist employer a contribution for purposes of the act. Specifies that a violation of the acts provisions is punishable as a misdemeanor.

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AB 1692 continued:	campaign funds that resulted in a personal benefit to the candidate or
	officer if it is determined that the expenditure was not reasonably related to
	a political, legislative, or governmental purpose, as specified.

AB 1728 Political Reform Act of 1974	
AUTHOR:	Garcia
INTRODUCED:	02/14/2014
AMENDED:	04/08/2014
STATUS:	05/15/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed
SUMMARY:	Revises the definition of %agency+ to include a local government agency formed pursuant to provisions of the Water Code. Revises the definition of %icense, permit, or other entitlement for use+with respect to proceedings before a local government agency formed pursuant to the Water Code to apply to all contracts that are not competitively bid.

*AB 1752 Redistricting: Incumbent Designation	
AUTHOR:	Fong
INTRODUCED:	02/14/2014
AMENDED:	05/13/2014
STATUS:	05/19/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.
CACEO POSITION:	No Position
SUMMARY:	Changes the order of which candidate shall be deemed the incumbent at
	the first election following decennial redistricting. Makes a conforming change to reflect the redistricting process.

AB 1768 Declaration of Candidacy: Residence Address	
AUTHOR:	Fong
INTRODUCED:	02/14/2014
STATUS:	06/04/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on E. & C. A.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Exempts a candidate for any office whose voter registration information is
	confidential from the requirement to state a residence address on a
	declaration of candidacy, as specified.

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*AB 1817 Voter Registration: High School Pupils	
AUTHOR:	Gomez
INTRODUCED:	02/18/2014
AMENDED:	05/14/2014
STATUS:	05/19/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Permits the governing board of a school district to authorize a high school pupil 16 years of age or older register to vote on his or her high school campus any person who is qualified to register to vote. Becomes operative when the Secretary of State certifies that the state has a statewide voter registration database that complies with the requirements of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002, and would also permit a pupil to register to vote any person who is 17 years of age or older and otherwise meets all voter eligibility requirements.

AB 1836 Vote By Mail Ballots	
AUTHOR:	Jones
INTRODUCED:	02/18/2014
AMENDED:	03/11/2014
STATUS:	04/22/2014 In Assembly Committee on E. & R.: Failed passage.
CACEO POSITION:	Oppose
SUMMARY:	Requires the elections official to provide each polling place with a blank roster for recording specified information from persons returning a vote by mail ballot, including the name and residence address of the person authorized by the voter to return the voter's vote by mail ballot. Requires that the identification envelope contain the address of the person authorized by the voter to return the vote by mail ballot. Requires the person authorized to return the voter's vote by mail ballot to present proof of his or her identity and residency, as specified. Requires the elections official or precinct board member to contact the voter to verify that the person is authorized to return the voter's vote by mail ballot If the person is unable to present proof of identification or residency. Prohibits a voter's vote by mail ballot from being counted unless the person returning the ballot presents proof of his or her identity and residency or the elections official or precinct board member verifies that the person is authorized by the voter to return the ballot.

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** <u>AB 1861</u> Budget Act of 2013	
AUTHOR:	Harkey
INTRODUCED:	02/19/2014
STATUS:	02/27/2014 To Assembly Committee on Budget.
CACEO POSITION:	Support Election Mandate Provision
SUMMARY:	Amends the Budget Act of 2013 by removing voter identification procedures from the list of suspended state-mandated local programs. Appropriates \$7,553,000 from the General Fund to pay for mandate claims for Voter Identification Procedures, as specified. Declares that it is to take effect immediately as a Budget Bill.

AB 1873 Mail Ballot Elections	
AUTHOR:	Gonzalez
INTRODUCED:	02/19/2014
AMENDED:	04/22/2014
STATUS:	05/13/2014 In Assembly. Read second time. To third reading.
CACEO POSITION:	Support if amended (Letter sent 04/21/2014)
SUMMARY:	Authorizes a board of supervisors of a county to conduct a special election or special consolidated election to fill a congressional or legislative vacancy wholly by mail under specified conditions. Authorizes any jurisdiction conducting a special election wholly by mail to process vote by mail ballot return envelopes beginning 29 days before the election, and authorizes any jurisdiction in possession of the necessary computer capability to process vote by mail ballots on the 10 <sup>th</sup> business day before the election, as specified. Removes the requirement that an all-mail ballot election be conducted only in a city with a population of 100,000 or less. Deletes the provision prohibiting a consolidated election from being conducted wholly by mail, and would instead provide that in order to conduct an all-mail ballot election in a consolidated election in which boundaries overlap, all jurisdictions of the overlapping boundaries would be required to agree to conduct the election as an all-mail ballot election. Authorizes a municipal election, as specified, to be conducted as an all-mail ballot election.

AB 2003 Ballot Materials and Translations	
AUTHOR:	Fong
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2014
STATUS:	03/03/2014 To Assembly Committee on E. & R.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Specifies that the elections official is allowed to select an accredited
	translator registered with the American Translators Association to provide
	the translation.

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AB 2028 All-Mailed Ballot Elections: San Mateo County	
AUTHOR:	Mullin
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2014
AMENDED:	04/28/2014
STATUS:	05/15/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.
CACEO POSITION:	Support if amended
SUMMARY:	Authorizes San Mateo County to conduct all-mailed ballot elections pursuant to existing provisions that requires the county to report to the Legislature and the Secretary of State, as specified. Requires that ballot dropoff locations be fixed in a manner so that the number of residents for each ballot dropoff location does not exceed 100,000 on the 88th day prior to the day of election if it would result in more dropoff locations, as specified.

*AB 2093 Petitions: Filings	
AUTHOR:	Grove
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2014
AMENDED:	05/13/2014
STATUS:	05/19/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.
CACEO POSITION:	Support with suggested amendments
SUMMARY:	Specifies that, if the final day to file an initiative or referendum petition falls on a holiday, as defined, the petition may be filed with the county elections official on the next business day. Specifies that this act shall not be construed to affect any matter pending in the courts of this state on the date this act is enacted.

*AB 2177 Early Voting	
AUTHOR:	Brown
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2014
AMENDED:	03/25/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Assembly Committee on
	Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	Letter of concern
SUMMARY:	Requires the Secretary of State to provide guidance to local election officials in performing tasks for the purpose of promoting and expanding the practice of early voting consistent with specified statutory authority. Defines early voting as a vote by mail ballot in person at the office of the elections official or another location designated by the elections official either before or on the day of the election. Requires an elections official, on at least one Saturday and Sunday on or after the date the elections official first delivers

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AB 2177 continued:	ballots to vote by mail voters for a statewide election, or for any other election as determined by the elections official based on voter demand, to
	allow voters to vote in the election by means of early voting at the early voting location designated for this purpose, provided that the location is
	accessible and complies with disability access requirements under federal and state law. Permits the elections official to determine the hours of
	operation for the designated early voting location or locations for each Saturday or Sunday on which early voting is offered, provided that each
	location shall be open to voters for a minimum of 6 hours on each designated Saturday and Sunday. Specifies that the provisions regarding
	Saturday voting would not apply to elections conducted wholly by mail or to precincts in which each voter is furnished with a vote by mail ballot, as
	specified. Becomes operative on January 1, 2016.

AB 2206 Public Records: Local Agencies: Exception to Disclosure: Peace Officers	
AUTHOR:	Gomez
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2014
AMENDED:	04/29/2014
STATUS:	04/29/2014 In Assembly. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to
	Committee on Local Government.
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed
SUMMARY:	Provides that any person described as a peace officer is exempt from the disclosure of records of the residence or mailing address, if that person or his or her recognized collective bargaining representative has requested confidentiality of that information to a local agency, and that local agency chooses to maintain a program that redacts that information or makes that information confidential.

AB 2219 Initiative and Referendum Petitions: Verification	
AUTHOR:	Fong
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2014
STATUS:	06/04/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on E. & C. A.
CACEO POSITION:	Support if amended
SUMMARY:	Requires the elections official or registrar of voters during the examination of signatures to submit one or more reports to the Secretary of State showing the number of signatures that have been verified as of that date. Requires the maintenance of a list indicating the number of verified signatures based on the most recent reports. Requires the county or city and county elections official or register of voters to transmit the petition to the Secretary.

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AB 2233 Primary Elections: Party Eligibility	
AUTHOR:	Donnelly
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
AMENDED:	05/13/2014
STATUS:	05/14/2014 In Assembly. Read second time. To third reading.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Requires the elections official to reduce the number of signatures required on a petition in lieu of a filing fee for a special election that is held to fill a vacancy by the same proportion as the reduction in time for the candidate to collect signatures if the number of days for a candidate to collect the signatures is less than the number of days that a candidate would have to collect signatures on a petition at a regular election for the same office. Provides that the elections official is not permitted to reduce the number of signatures to less than 100 for a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of Representative in Congress, state Senate, or Member of the Assembly.

AB 2243 Elections: Voting Rights: Incarcerated Persons	
AUTHOR:	Weber
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
STATUS:	06/10/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on Public Safety.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to either establish and maintain on the departments Internet Web site a hyperlink to the Internet Web site at which the Secretary of States voting rights guide for incarcerated persons may be found or post in each parole office a notice that contains the Internet Web site address at which the voting rights guide may be found.

*AB 2273 Payment of Elections Expenses	
AUTHOR:	Ridley-Thomas
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Assembly Committee on
	Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
	Los Angeles County sponsored
SUMMARY:	Provides that expenses authorized and necessarily incurred on or after January 1, 2013, and for each year thereafter, for elections proclaimed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of Senator or Member of the Assembly, or to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator or Member of the United States House of Representatives, shall be paid by the state. Requires the state to pay only those additional expenses directly

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AB 2273 continued:	related to an election proclaimed by the Governor to a fill a vacancy in an
	office if the election is consolidated with a statewide or local election.

*AB 2277 Legislative Counsel: Legislative Session Information	
AUTHOR:	Mansoor
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
STATUS:	03/06/2014 To Assembly Committee on Rules.
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed
SUMMARY:	Requires that the vote information identify the party preference designation of each Member of the Legislature associated with a vote. Requires the Legislative Counsel to make available a list, for each Member, of the votes cast by the Member on every bill introduced in the current legislative session. Requires that this information be organized and made available for download in a specified format that would allow the public to search and aggregate the data.

AB 2338 Initiatives: Writ of Mandate	
AUTHOR:	Wagner
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
STATUS:	04/29/2014 In Assembly Committee on Judiciary: Failed passage.
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed
SUMMARY:	Provides that if a local initiative measure has been certified by an elections official as having qualified for the ballot, prohibit a public agency from bringing suit seeking a declaration of rights related to the construction or validity of the initiative measure until after the election for which the initiative measure qualified has been held. Requires that, if the governing body of the jurisdiction in which the initiative measure will be voted upon seeks to challenge the qualification or validity of the initiative measure, it shall do so by seeking the above-described writ of mandate or injunction during the 10-calendar-day public examination period in order to prohibit the initiative measure from being placed on the ballot. Requires that a peremptory writ of mandate or an injunction be issued only upon clear and convincing proof that the initiative measure does not qualify or is not valid for placement on the ballot, and that issuance of the writ of mandate or injunction will not substantially interfere with the printing or distribution of official election materials as provided by law.

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AB 2351 Political Party Qualification	
AUTHOR:	Gordon
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
STATUS:	05/15/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Provides that a party is qualified to participate in a primary election if, at the last preceding gubernatorial primary election, the sum of the votes cast for all of the candidates for an office voted on throughout the state who disclosed a preference for that party on the ballot was at least 2 percent of the entire vote of the state for that office, as specified. Revises the provisions for a political party that did not qualify to participate in the presidential primary election, but seeks qualification to participate in a presidential primary election is qualified if, at the last preceding gubernatorial primary election, the sum of the votes casts for all of the candidates for an office voted on throughout the state who disclosed a preference for that party on the ballot was at least 2 percent of the entire vote of the state for that office, as specified.

AB 2369 Elections: Voter Requested Recounts	
AUTHOR:	Hagman
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
STATUS:	05/08/2014 In Assembly. To third reading.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Modifies and applies existing law that establishes procedures by which a voter may request a recount of the votes cast in an election following completion of the official canvass, to the candidate-controlled campaign committee that is represented by the voter filing the request to seek a recount. Specifies that the money deposited with the elections official be from the voter's own personal funds or from the funds of the candidate-controlled campaign committee of the candidate on whose behalf the recount is being requested.

AB 2394 Elections: Secretary of State		
AUTHOR:	Gorell	
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014	
STATUS:	04/22/2014 In Assembly Committee on E. & R.: Not heard.	
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed	
SUMMARY:	Requires the Secretary of State, instead of the Attorney General, to prepare the ballot label and the ballot title and summary for all measures submitted to the voters of the state and the circulating title and summary for initiative and referendum measures. Provides that the office of the Secretary of State is also a nonpartisan office and would remove it from the list of	

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AB 2394 continued:	voter-nominated	offices.	Becomes	operative	upon	the	approval	by	the
	voters of ACA	of the	2013-14 R	egular Ses	sion.				

AB 2407 Elections: Expenses	
AUTHOR:	Morrell
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
STATUS:	02/21/2014 Introduced.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Makes technical nonsubstantive changes to provision of law that provides that expenses authorized and necessarily incurred in the preparation for and conduct of elections are to be paid from the county treasuries, except as specified.

AB 2439 Secretary of State: Initiative Information		
AUTHOR:	Donnelly	
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014	
AMENDED:	04/08/2014	
STATUS:	05/15/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.	
CACEO POSITION:	Watch	
SUMMARY:	Requires the Secretary to post on the Secretarys Internet Web site, and to include in a specified pamphlet prepared by the Secretary relating to the initiative process, information describing these services provided by the Secretary and the Legislative Counsel to the proponents of an initiative measure. Provides that violations of the act are punishable as a misdemeanor.	

*AB 2530 Ballot Processing	
AUTHOR:	Rodriguez
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Assembly Committee on
	Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Provides that if a vote by mail ballot, mail ballot precinct ballot, or provisional ballot is processed using signature verification technology that determines the signature do not compare, the elections official is required to visually examine and verify that the signatures do not compare before rejecting the ballot.

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*AB 2550 Election Dates	
AUTHOR:	Hernandez
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
AMENDED:	04/29/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Assembly Committee on Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Requires general municipal and general district elections held on or after July 1, 2015, to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in June of even-numbered years, or on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each odd-numbered or even-numbered year, subject to certain exceptions. Provides that these provisions may not be construed to shorten the term of office of any officeholder, as specified, or as altering the date of an election held in a district if the principal act of the district provides for a runoff election. Provides that, if a board of supervisors of a county of the first class denies a request to consolidate an election, that election will not be held on the date of the statewide election.

AB 2551 Local Initiatives	
AUTHOR:	Wilk
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
AMENDED:	03/28/2014
STATUS:	05/15/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Requires, for all bond issues proposed by a county, city and county, city, district, or other political subdivision, or by any agency, department, or board, that the statement of specified tax rate data include the best estimate from official sources of the total debt service, including the principal and interest, that would be required to be repaid if all the bonds are issued and sold. Provides that the estimate may include information about the assumptions used to determine the estimate.

AB 2562 Elections	
AUTHOR:	Fong
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
AMENDED:	04/24/2014
STATUS:	05/15/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Clarifies the meaning of %egistered voters+of the district for purposes of
	those provisions that requires a specified number of registered voters of the
	district to sign the petition for a special election to fill a vacancy. Requires

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AB 2562 continued:	the registration to be deemed effective upon receipt of the affidavit by the
	county elections official if the affidavit is submitted electronically on the
	Internet Web site of the Secretary of State on or before the 15th day prior to
	the election. Prohibits an elections official who is verifying signatures on a
	petition or paper from invalidating a signature for an incomplete or
	inaccurate apartment or unit number in the residence address. Repeals
	existing provisions that requires the county elections official to file a
	statement with the Secretary of State containing specified information for
	each election in the county held pursuant to the Uniform District Election
	Law and requires the county elections official to file the statement no later
	than December 31 immediately following a general district election. Delete
	and correct erroneous cross-references related to this provision of law.
	Corrects erroneous cross references to the code section that defines the
	terms % direct recording electronic voting system + and % paper record copy+
	for purposes of these provisions.

AB 2631 Elections: Voting Machines		
AUTHOR:	Dababneh	
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014	
AMENDED:	04/09/2014	
STATUS:	05/08/2014 Passed Assembly. To Senate.	
CACEO POSITION:	No position	
SUMMARY:	Modifies and updates the definition of ‰oting machine+ to mean any electronic device into which a voter may enter his or her votes, and which, by means of electronic tabulation and generation of specified printouts and records, furnishes a total of the number of votes cast for each candidate or measure. Makes conforming changes and repeals obsolete provisions of existing law. Modifies and repeals certain precinct board requirements and procedures relating to the reading, posting, and inspection of the statement of return of votes cast for the precinct. Requires that certain references to the term ‰oting System+ be substituted with the term ‰irect recording electronic voting system.+	

*AB 2715 District Based Municipal B	Elections
AUTHOR:	Hernandez
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
AMENDED:	05/08/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Assembly Committee on
	Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Permits the legislative body of a city to provide by ordinance, without
	submitting the ordinance to the voters of the city for approval, for the
	election of members of the legislative body by district if the voters of the city
	previously rejected such an ordinance, as specified. Provides that this
	provision be repealed on December 31, 2016. Requires the legislative

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AB 2715 continued:	body of a city with a population of 100,000 or more, as determined by the most recent federal decennial census, to provide by ordinance, without submitting the ordinance to the voters of the city for approval, for the
	election of members of the legislative body by district, commencing January 1, 2017. Permits the legislative body of any other city to provide by ordinance, without submitting the ordinance to the voters of the city for approval, for the election of members of the legislative body by district, commencing January 1, 2017. Requires that the boundary lines of each district be adjusted in accordance with specified provisions of law.

ACA 12 Elections: Secretary of State	
AUTHOR:	Gorell
INTRODUCED:	03/05/2014
STATUS:	04/22/2014 In Assembly Committee on E. & R.: Not heard.
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed
SUMMARY:	Provides that the office of the Secretary of State is also a nonpartisan office. Requires that an initiative or referendum petition be submitted to the Secretary of State instead of the Attorney General, and would transfer from the Attorney General to the Secretary of State the duty of preparing the title and summary for an initiative or referendum petition that is to be circulated. Requires that, for each measure that appears on a statewide ballot, that the Secretary of State prepare the ballot label and the ballot title and summary for the ballot pamphlet.

SB 113 Elections: Voter Registration	
AUTHOR:	Jackson
INTRODUCED:	01/15/2013
AMENDED:	01/06/2014
STATUS:	04/24/2014 To Assembly Committee on E. & R.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Provides that the minimum age for purposes of submitting an affidavit of registration is lowered to 16 years of age. Makes conforming changes to existing law. Requires that, if an affidavit of registration is submitted by a person who is at least 16 years of age and otherwise meets all voter eligibility requirements, the county elections official send the voter notification to that voter not more than 60 days prior to the effective date of that affidavit of registration. Makes conforming changes to the voter notification format.

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SB 240 Vote by Mail Ballot Drop Boxes	
AUTHOR:	Yee
INTRODUCED:	02/12/2013
AMENDED:	01/27/2014
STATUS:	01/30/2014 To Assembly.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Permits a vote by mail voter to return his or her voted vote by mail ballot to the elections official from whom it came at a vote by mail ballot drop-off location, as defined. Requires the Secretary of State to promulgate regulations establishing security measures and procedures that a county elections official would be required to comply with if the county elections official establishes one or more vote by mail ballot drop-off locations and vote by mail ballot drop boxes, as defined.

SB 361 Elections: Voter Registration	
AUTHOR:	Padilla
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2013
AMENDED:	08/26/2013
STATUS:	08/30/2013 In Assembly Committee on Appropriations: Not heard.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to ensure that any electronic system, as specified, under which a person may electronically submit on the Internet Web site of the Department of Motor Vehicles an application for the issuance or renewal of a drivers license or state identification card, or a change of address form, shall offer the person the opportunity to submit an electronic affidavit of voter registration, or to electronically update his or her voter registration information, on the Internet Web site of the Secretary of State. Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to work jointly with the Secretary of State to ensure that the system provides all required notices and, for each applicant who indicates that he or she would like to apply to register to vote or update his or her voter registration information and consents to the use of his or her motor vehicle records for voter registration purposes, electronically transmits to the Secretary of State the information provided on the persons drivers license or state identification card application, or change of address form, as applicable, in a manner that does not require the person to duplicate or reenter the information. Requires the Secretary of State to report to the Legislature, as specified. Specifies that certain provisions of this bill shall become operative one year after the implementation of Vote Cal.

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*** <u>SB 942</u> Special Elections	
AUTHOR:	Vidak
INTRODUCED:	02/04/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Provides that all expenses authorized and necessarily incurred on or after January 1, 2008, and before December 31, 2014, for elections proclaimed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of Senator or Member of the Assembly, or to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator or Member of the United States House of Representatives, shall be paid by the state ( <b>Urgency</b> ).

SB 963 Elections: Payment of Expenses.	
AUTHOR:	Torres
INTRODUCED:	02/06/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Provides that all expenses authorized and necessarily incurred on or after January 1, 2013, and for each year thereafter, for elections proclaimed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of Senator or Member of the Assembly, or to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator or Member of the United States House of Representatives, shall be paid by the state. Requires the state to pay only those additional expenses directly related to an election proclaimed by the Governor to a fill a vacancy in an office if the election is consolidated with a statewide or local election.

SB 1043 Elections: In-Lieu-Filing Fee and Political Party Qualification Petitions: Penal Provisions	
AUTHOR:	Torres
INTRODUCED:	02/18/2014
STATUS:	05/15/2014 Passed Senate. To Assembly.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Defines the term politically party qualification petition+for these purposes to mean a petition circulated to qualify a political party in accordance with existing procedures. Provides that a person committing these specified activities in relation to the circulation, subscription, or signature of a political party qualification petition would be subject to the above penal provisions. Provides that a person committing these specified activities in relation to the submission of an in-lieu-filing fee petition would be subject to the penal provisions specified above.

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**SB 1061 Elections: Voter Registration	
AUTHOR:	Block
INTRODUCED:	02/18/2014
AMENDED:	05/19/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Requires an application for a new or renewed California driver's license, instruction permit, junior permit, or identification card to contain an affidavit of registration and other specified information. Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to confer with the Secretary of State and develop applications that are in compliance with these provisions and the federal National Voter Registration Act of 1993. Provides that a person is permitted to apply to register to vote by completing the affidavit of registration portion of the application and require the Department of Motor Vehicles to transmit an electronic copy of the completed application to county elections officials, as specified. Provides that its provisions are operative on the date the Department of Motor Vehicles certifies to the Secretary of State that it has an automated application process, as specified.

SB 1062 Elections: Vote By Mail Ballots	
AUTHOR:	Block
INTRODUCED:	02/18/2014
AMENDED:	05/15/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Requires the elections official to, in addition to existing provisions, also deliver to each qualified applicant a return envelope with postage prepaid by the Secretary of State in which a vote by mail voter may return his or her ballot if the ballot is to be mailed within the territorial limits of the United States or the District of Columbia.

SB 1063 Voter Registration: Juvenile Detention Facilities	
AUTHOR:	Block
INTRODUCED:	02/18/2014
AMENDED:	05/12/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Requires state and local juvenile detention facilities to identify individuals housed in those facilities who are of age to register to vote, to provide affidavits of registration to eligible voters, to assist those individuals with the completion of the affidavits of registration, and to transmit completed voter registration cards to the county elections official or to assist individuals in

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SB 1063 continued:	returning the completed cards to the county elections official.
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SB 1105 Voter Registration: Cal Gr	rant Program Application
AUTHOR:	Liu
INTRODUCED:	02/19/2014
STATUS:	02/27/2014 To Senate Committees on Education and E & C.A.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Requires the standardized student financial aid application, if the application is submitted online, to permit the applicant to apply to register to vote online by submitting an affidavit of registration electronically on the Internet Web site of the Secretary of State.

SB 1253 Initiative Measures	
AUTHOR:	Steinberg
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2014
AMENDED:	04/09/2014
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on Appropriations.
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed
SUMMARY:	Requires the Attorney General, upon receipt of a request to prepare the circulating title and summary, to initiate a 30-day public review process for the proposed initiative measure. Requires that a fiscal estimate be prepared. Imposes specified requirements regarding ballot materials to be prepared by the Attorney General. Extends the date for filing a measure with the county elections official. Provides related requirements for the Secretary of State. Provides requirements for removal of an initiative.

*** <u>SB 1272</u> Campaign Finance: Advisory Election		
AUTHOR:	Lieu	
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014	
AMENDED:	04/30/2014	
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on Appropriations.	
CACEO POSITION:	Watch	
SUMMARY:	Requires that a special election is called to be consolidated with the November 4, 2014, statewide general election. Requires the Secretary of State to submit to the voters at the November 4, 2014, consolidated election an advisory question asking whether the Congress of the United States should propose, and the California Legislature should ratify, an amendment or amendments to the United States Constitution to overturn Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission (2010) 558 U.S. 310, and other applicable judicial precedents, as specified. Requires the Secretary of State to communicate the results of this election to the Congress of the United States. (Urgency).	

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SB 1309 Senate Vacancy	
AUTHOR:	Steinberg
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014
STATUS:	03/06/2014 To Senate Committee on Rules.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Makes a technical, nonsubstantive change to existing law that authorizes
	the Governor to appoint a person to fill a vacancy occurring during the term
	of a member of the United States Senate from the state.

SB 1365 California Voting Rights Act of 2001		
AUTHOR:	Padilla	
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014	
AMENDED:	04/21/2014	
STATUS:	05/15/2014 To Assembly Committee on E. & R.	
CACEO POSITION:	Watch	
SUMMARY:	Prohibits the use of a district based election in a political subdivision if it would impair the ability of a protected class to elect candidates of its choice or otherwise influence the outcome of an election. Requires a court to implement specified remedies upon a finding that a district-based election was imposed or applied in a manner that impaired the ability of a protected class to elect candidates of its choice or otherwise influence the outcome of an election.	

*SB 1441 Political Reform Act of 1974: Gifts		
AUTHOR:	Lara	
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2014	
AMENDED:	04/03/2014	
STATUS:	05/19/2014 To Assembly Committee on E. & R.	
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed	
SUMMARY:	Prohibits a lobbyist from making, and an elected state officer or candidate for elective state office from accepting, a contribution if the lobbyist is registered to lobby the governmental agency for which the candidate is seeking election or the governmental agency of the elected state officer. Revise the definition of contribution+ to include a payment made by a lobbyist or a cohabitant of a lobbyist for costs related to a fundraising event held at the home of the lobbyist, as specified. Make these payments attributable to the lobbyist for purposes of the prohibition against a lobbyist making a contribution to specified candidates and elected officers. Revises the definition of contribution+to include a payment made by a lobbying firm for costs related to a fundraising event held at the office of the lobbying firm. Provides that a violation of the acts provisions is punishable as a	

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SB 1441 continued:	misdemeanor.

*SCA 16 Members of the Legislature: Vacancy		
AUTHOR:	Steinberg	
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2014	
STATUS:	05/23/2014 Scheduled to be heard in Senate Committee on Appropriations.	
CACEO POSITION:	No position	
SUMMARY:	Requires the Governor to fill a vacancy in either house of the Legislature by appointment within 21 days of the date of the vacancy, and would require that the appointee, at the time of the appointment and during the 12-month period immediately preceding the appointment, have the same political party preference as the vacating Member had when he or she was last elected to the Legislature. Allows the house to which the appointment is made to reject the appointment, by a majority vote, within 21 days of the appointment, in which case the Governor would be required to make another appointment. Provides that If an appointment is not rejected, the appointee would be eligible to take office the day after the end of the 21-day period and would serve for the remainder of the term of the vacating Member, except as specified.	

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SENATE BILLS	16
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