

Legislative Update

April 4, 2012

As of Tuesday, January 31, 2012: 1,566 Assembly Bills and 985 Senate Bills have been introduced in California. At the same time last year 1,392 Assembly Bills and 934 Senate Bills have been introduced

AB 19 ~~Building Standards: water meters in multi-unit structures~~

AB 370 ~~Appliances: Tankless water heater venting materials~~

AB 296 **Building Standards: Cool Pavement**

This bill would require the commission, in the next triennial adoption process of the California Green Building Code that begins on or after January 1, 2015, to consider incorporating those specifications proposed in the Cool Pavements Handbook as additional strategies for Heat Island Effect: Hardscape Alternatives in the California Green Building Standards Code.

Status Update:

As of April 3, 2012 - No change in status

Aug. 25, 2011 - In committee: Held under submission.

July 11, 2011 - In committee: Placed on APPR. suspense file.

July 6, 2011 - Measure version as amended on June 21 corrected.

June 28, 2011 - From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

June 21, 2011 - From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. On T. & H.

June 8, 2011 - Referred to Com. on T. & H.

June 1, 2011 - In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

June 1, 2011 - Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate.

May 31, 2011 - Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

May 27, 2011 - From committee: Do pass as amended. Read second time and amended. Ordered to second reading.
May 18, 2011 - In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.
May 3, 2011 - From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
Apr. 26, 2011 - Re-referred to Com. on NAT. RES.
Apr. 25, 2011 - From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on NAT. RES. Read second time and amended.
Apr. 12, 2011 - From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on NAT. RES. Re-referred to Com. on NAT. RES.
Apr. 4, 2011 - Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.
Mar. 31, 2011 - Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and NAT. RES. From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on TRANS. Read second time and amended.
Feb. 10, 2011 - From printer. May be heard in committee March 12.
Feb. 9, 2011 - Read first time. To print.

AB 511 Building Standards: Towers (Carryover)

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would regulate the construction of low-level towers.

Status Update:

As of April 3, 2012 - No change in status

July 5, 2011 - In committee: Set first hearing. Failed passage. Reconsideration granted.
June 21, 2011 - In committee: Testimony
June 2, 2011 - Refer. to Com. on T.&H.
Feb. 15, 2011 - Introduced
Apr. 26, 2011 - From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. Re-referred to Com. on APPR. taken. Hearing postponed by committee.

Apr. 14, 2011 - Re-referred to Com. on B., P. & C.P.
Apr. 13, 2011 - From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on B., P. & C.P. Read second time and amended.
Apr. 4, 2011 - Re-referred to Committee.
Mar. 31, 2011 - Referred to Committee; From committee chair with author's amendments; Read second time and amended.
Feb. 16, 2011 - May be heard by committee on March 18, 2011.

AB 801 Code Enforcement Officers: Training

This bill would establish minimum training standards and a continuing education requirement for code enforcement officers. The bill would require each of these employees to complete a certified basic training program within one year of his or her initial appointment, and to complete intermediate and advanced levels of certified training, as specified.

Status Update:

As of April 3, 2012 - No change in status

Feb. 2, 2012 - Refer to Com. on PUB. S.
Jan. 17, 2012 - In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.
Jan. 17, 2012 - Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate.
Jan. 12, 2012 - Read second time. Ordered to consent calendar.
Jan. 11, 2012 - Read second time and amended. Ordered to second reading.
Jan. 10, 2012 - From committee: Do pass as amended. To consent calendar.
Jan. 4, 2012 - From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on PUB. S. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on PUB. S.

Apr. 26, 2011 - In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.
Apr. 12, 2011 - In committee: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Mar. 10, 2011 - Referred to Committee
Feb. 18, 2011 - May be heard by
committee on March 20, 2011
Feb. 17, 2011 - Introduced

**SB 569 Electrical Work on Alternative and Renewable Fuel Vehicle
Facilities – Electrical Contractor Required**

This bill would require the commission to ensure that projects or programs involving electrical work on alternative and renewable fuel vehicle facilities, as defined, are creating pathways into skilled, high-paying careers.

The bill would require electrical work involved in a project or program to be performed by a licensed electrical contractor or a state-certified general electrician working under a licensed electrical contractor. The bill would require a project or program involving electrical work to include partnership with one or more existing electrical joint apprenticeship programs in the geographic area of the project or program.

Status Update:

As of April 3, 2012 - No change in status

Jan. 31, 2012 - Returned to Secretary of Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

Mar. 24, 2011 - Set first hearing.
Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Mar. 15, 2011 - Set for hearing Apr.12.

Mar. 3, 2011 - Referred to Coms.On T.& H. and E.Q.

Feb. 18, 2011 - From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 20.

Feb. 17, 2011 - Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.

SB 840 Public Safety: CO Detectors

This bill would include residential care facilities among the types of dwellings that are subject to those requirements.

Status Update:

As of April 3, 2012 - No change in status

Jan. 31, 2012 - Returned to Secretary of Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 56.
May 26, 2011 - Held in committee and under submission.
May 25, 2011 - Set for hearing May 26.
May 23, 2011 - Placed on APPR. suspense file.
May 10, 2011 - Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
May 9, 2011 - From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR.
Apr. 15, 2011 - Set for hearing May 4.
Mar. 31, 2011 - Re-referred to Committee on HEALTH.
Mar. 23, 2011 - Withdraw from Committee
Mar. 22, 2011 - From committee with author's amendments; Read second time and amended; Re-referred to Committee
Mar. 10, 2011 - Referred to Committee
Feb. 20, 2011 - May be heard by committee on or after March 22, 2011
Feb. 18, 2011 - Introduced

SCR 57 Gas and Electric Auto Shutoff Valves

This measure would urge the Division of the State Architect, in cooperation with the California Building Standards Commission and the Department of Housing and Community Development, to hold hearings to determine if the building codes subject to a scheduled review should be amended to require the installation of devices that shut off natural gas and electrical power in the event of an earthquake at the time of initial construction and major renovations.

Status Update:

Mar. 29, 2012 - Set for hearing to be held on April 17, 2012.
Feb. 2, 2012 - Re-referred to Com. on T. & H.
Aug. 22, 2011 - Introduced. Referred to Com. On RLS.

SCR

A Senate Concurrent Resolution is a legislative measure, designated SCR generally used to address the sentiments of both the Assembly and the Senate to deal with issues or matters affecting both houses, such as a concurrent budget resolution, or to create a temporary joint committee.

California Constitution, Article IV, Section 10(c):

Any bill introduced during the first year of the biennium of the legislative session that has not been passed by the house of origin by January 31 of the second calendar year of the biennium may no longer be acted on by the house.

Joint Rule 56

Bill introduced in the first year of the regular session and passed by the house of origin on or before the January 31st constitutional deadline are "carryover bills." Immediately after January 31, bills introduced in the first year of the regular session that do not become "carryover bills" shall be returned to the Chief Clerk of the Assembly or Secretary of State.