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#### Dear Friend:

The 2001-2002 legislative session was highly active in the scope of issues assigned to the Assembly Natural Resources Committee. From an important water quality and parks bond to environmental justice and land conservation legislation, committee members tackled several complex issues in order to maintain California as the nation's leader in environmental protection.

The Committee passed major legislation to improve the state's oil spill prevention and response program and to enhance the state's ability to provide grants and fund land acquisitions to protect and provide access to coastal resource. Additionally, the committee helped create new environmental justice grant programs, while ensuring that environmental review laws maintained their integrity, allowing for predictable, informed decision making regarding urban growth. The committee also played a key role in promoting renewable energy sources throughout the state.

Should you have any questions regarding the summary, or about specific bills, please contact the Natural Resources Committee at (916) 319-2092.

Sincerely,

HOWARD WAYNE, Chair

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# ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES OVERSIGHT HEARINGS

#### ~ ANTIQUATED SUBDIVISIONS, FRACTION LOTS, AND THE SUBDIVISION MAP ACT ~

The Subdivision Map Act provides authority to local governments to regulated subdivisions and serves as a key tool for local planning and orderly community development. The Act can work hand-in-hand with other planning tools and land use protection laws, such as the California Environmental Quality Act and the Williamson Act (which preserves agricultural land). Unfortunately, unclear statutory construction and disparate court cases have allowed differing interpretations of the Subdivision Map Act that have not only opened up this planning tool for abuse, but have threatened to increase sprawl, decrease agricultural land and otherwise degrade the planning process.

The Natural Resources Committee, in conjunction with Local Government Committee held a hearing to address these abuses. In particular, the committees examined problems with fraction lots and antiquated subdivisions. The committees discovered that based on inconsistent legal decisions and knowledge that local governments have limited funds to challenge these methods of subdividing property, development does occur that is not based on the sound planning of the Subdivision Map Act. The hearing concluded with several legislative solutions that were offered by participants. Should the legislature decide to provide clarity to the Act in future legislative sessions, the tools, as presented at this hearing, are available to do so.

#### ~ RENEWABLE ENERGY: POWER SUPPLY AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES ~

Since the early 1980s, renewable energy technology has advanced beyond the research stage and moved into commercial applications and utility integration. These technologies include wind power, geothermal power, solar or photovoltaic (PV) power, small-scale hydroelectric power, biomass powered thermal generation, and emerging fuel cell technologies. Each of these renewable energy technologies has its benefits and drawbacks applicable to economics: market requirements and resource availability.

The Natural Resources Committee held a hearing to explore the viability of renewable energy. In particular, the committee heard testimony from representatives from state and local governments, renewable energy providers and power providers. The committee found that great diversity exists within the renewable energy community and that California would benefit from a renewable energy portfolio standard to raise the amount of renewable energy that makes it to end-users. While the witnesses provided many legislative, both broad and specific, solutions, the hearing ultimately resulted in bolstering support for renewable energy bills that were already moving through the legislative process. This challenging issue to balance power supply with environmental challenges will undoubtedly continue, and this hearing laid a good foundation for its future debate discussion.

#### ~ Burn Dump Site Clean-up in California: Hazardous Waste or Solid Waste? ~

Burn dumps, where solid waste has been burned at a low temperature and the residual burn ash and debris have been landfilled or stockpiled, were used readily throughout the state and then phased out in the early 1970s in response to federal and state air quality legislation. Under existing law, these sites generally fall under the juristiction of the California Integrated Waste Management Board and the local enforcement agencies for permitting and inspection and for grant funds. However, if hazardous substances are found, then the jurisdiction generally moves to the Department of Toxic Substances Control for the management of hazardous waste generated by any cleanups.

In recent years, local governments that have begun or been ordered to clean up burn dump sites in their community and have found the process for cleanup cumbersome and financially draining. While the grant funds through existing programs provide a very limited amount of funding, in some cases, local governments are bypassing state oversight of cleanups altogether, and instead are meeting only local standards. This has created much bureaucratic difficulty and delay for those who are simply attempting to clean up the dumpsites.

Last fall, this committee, in conjunction with the Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee and the Senate Environmental Quality Committee held an interim hearing to address the jurisdictional lines surrounding burn dump sites in California. The outcome of the hearing showed that burn dump sites are far more pervasive than originally thought, that the jurisdictional lines between the state agencies involved must be clear for local governments attempting to clean up these sites, and that matching grant funds should be available for local governments to use for any portion of the cleanup process. The hearing also provided a strong foundation for lengthy discussions between the state and local agencies involved in the cleanup of burn dump sites, the culmination of which was AB 709 (Wayne) Chapter 589, Statutes of 2002.

# ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY 2001 – 2002 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

#### ~ AGRICULTURAL LAND AND OPEN SPACE ~

<u>AB 52 (Wiggins) – Agricultural land preservation</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill established the California Farmland Conservation Bond Act of 2002, allocating an unspecified amount to finance a program for the acquisition, development, improvement, and protection of farmlands in California. The bill was subsequently amended to appropriate \$9.6 million from the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks and Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40) for agricultural land preservation programs, including the newly created Coastal Farmland Preservation Program and the Oak Woodlands Conservation Act.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State – Chapter 983, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 330 (Reyes) – Agricultural preserves: annexations</u>. This bill would have required the Department of Conservation to advise a local agency formation commission of any concerns it has regarding the termination of a Williamson Act contract by a city's annexation of land subject to such a contract.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, August 12, 2001)

AB 713 (Thomson) – Agricultural and open-space lands: Sacramento Valley Agriculture and Open Space Conservation Authority. As considered by this committee, this bill would have permanently prohibited the State Air Resources Board from adopting regulations regarding the amount of volatile organic compounds emitted by disinfectants designed for consumer use. The bill was subsequently amended in the Senate to establish the Sacramento Valley Agriculture and Open Space Conservation Authority.

(Status: Held in Senate Natural Resources and Wildlife Committee)

<u>AB 1637 (Dickerson) – Klamath River water crisis: assistance program.</u> As passed by this committee, this bill would have required a public agency that has entered into a contract to purchase agricultural land, has commenced condemnation proceedings on agricultural land, or will acquire agricultural land with public agency funds, to notify the Secretary of Food and Agriculture, the Director of the Department of Conservation, and the city, county, or city and county in which the parcel is located. The bill was subsequently amended in the Senate to allocate \$8 million appropriated to the State Trade and Commerce Agency in the 2001 Budget Act, to the Office of Emergency Services for the Klamath River Water Crisis Economic Assistance and Mitigation Program.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 511, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 1997 (Thomson) – Land conservation</u>. This bill prohibits a city or county from granting either a tentative map or a parcel map for land subject to an open-space easement, agricultural conservation easement, or conservation easement.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 613, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 984 (Costa) – Rangeland, Grazing Land, and Grassland Protection Act</u>. This bill establishes the Rangeland, Grazing Land, and Grassland Protection Act to protect such lands in California through the use of conservation easements. The bill also directs money earmarked by Proposition 40 for grazing/grassland protection into a specific account in order to carry out the purposes of the Act.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 984, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1224 (Agriculture Committee) - Farmland conservancy</u>. This bill exempts California Department of Conservation grant programs from the State Contract Act and the Disabled Veterans Participation Goals Program requirement, and requires grant selection criteria for the California Farmland Conservancy Program to take into account matching and in-kind funds provided by private sources.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 234, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 1864 (Costa) – Agricultural land conservation</u>. This bill makes various minor and technical changes to the Williamson Act and the California Farmland Conservancy Program Act, which were created to promote the preservation of agricultural land and open space.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 616, Statutes of 2002)

#### ~ AIR QUALITY ~

<u>AB 451 (Firebaugh) – Air pollution: architectural paint and coatings</u>. This bill authorizes the state Air Resources Board to recommend suggested control measures to air districts for architectural paints or coatings if the measures meet certain criteria, including achieving maximum feasible reduction in volatile organic compounds emitted by the coatings and insuring that adequate data exist to establish that a control measure is necessary to attain state and federal air quality standards.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 456, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 771 (Runner) – Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District.</u> This bill abolishes the Antelope Valley Air Pollution Control District and instead creates the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District with the same boundaries, governing board structure, and general duties as the former district.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 163, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 1528 (Wyman) – Air pollution: emission reduction credits</u>. This bill would have eliminated the requirement for approval by resolution of the upwind and downwind air districts when increases in emissions of air pollutants from a source located in an air district are offset by emission reductions credited to a source located in another district.

(Status: Held in Committee)

SB 199 (Torlakson) - Pollution control: grants and loans. As passed by this Committee, this bill would have authorized the California Department of Fire and Forestry Protection to use the Forest Resources Improvement Fund as a source of funding for the California Forest Legacy Program until January 1, 2007. This bill was subsequently amended to include, within the provisions governing the adoption of emergency regulations, the adoption of emergency regulations relating to grants and loans from the California Pollution Control Financing Authority. The Authority is authorized to award to \$5,000,000 to any city or county to assist neighborhoods suffering from high poverty, unemployment levels or low-income levels, in developing and implementing growth policies and programs, which reduce pollution hazards and the degradation of the environment, or promote infill development to revitalize these communities.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 1034, Statutes of 2002)

 $\underline{SB\ 527\ (Sher)\ -\ Air\ pollution}$ . This bill authorizes the California Air Resources Board to impose administrative civil penalties as an alternative to seeking judicially imposed civil penalties, in an amount equal to or less than that which may be imposed as civil penalties. This bill also makes technical changes to the California Climate Action Registry.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 769, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 644 (Machado) – Milk: forward price contracts</u>. As considered by this committee, this bill required the State Air Resources Board to develop and adopt guidelines for air districts to use when calculating air credits issued for emissions reductions that result from agricultural practices. The bill was subsequently amended in its entirety to address milk price contracts.

(Status: Held in Assembly Agriculture Committee)

<u>SB 812 (Sher) - Air pollution: California Climate Action Registry</u>. This bill requires the California Climate Action Registry to provide referrals to approved providers for advice on incorporating conservation and best management practices of native forest reservoirs as a mechanism to assist participants in the attainment of emissions reduction goals and the reporting of emissions results.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 423, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1920 (Knight) – Air pollution control districts and air quality management districts: budget adoption</u>. This bill relieves air pollution control districts and air quality management districts with fewer than one million people from the requirement that the public hearing for reviewing and commenting on the air district budget be held exclusively for those purposes. This allows them to combine such a hearing with other business items. Directors must still vote on their air district's budget at a separate meeting that is required to occur not sooner than two weeks after the public comment hearing.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 132, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1927 (Soto) - Omnitrans: bus fueling stations.</u> This bill requires the Omnitrans Joint Powers Authority to submit a report to the Legislature on the environmental and public health impacts of transit bus fueling stations that it owns or operates.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 602, Statutes of 2002)

#### ~ CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT ~

<u>AB 271 (Canciamilla) - Environmental quality: infill development</u>. This bill would have included in that listing of infill development projects, until December 31, 2007, any project that is located in an unincorporated area of the County of Contra Costa and that meets specific conditions, including that the project does not result in damage to scenic resources, is not located on a site listed by the state as contaminated or hazardous, and does not cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource.

(Status: Held in Committee)

AB 436 (Chan) - Resources and environmental protection: California Environmental Quality Act: focused environmental impact reports. This bill, until January 1, 2005, authorizes a focused environmental impact report to be prepared for a project in the City of Oakland that consists of multiple-family residential development, or a residential and commercial or retail mixed-use development with not more than 25% of the total floor area of the project utilized as retail space, if certain conditions are met including, but not limited to a condition that the Oakland City Council vote to authorize the implementation of the bill by voting to approve the practice of preparing focused environmental impact reports in specified central business target housing areas.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 701, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 1086 (Calderon) - Environmental quality: residential infill development project</u>. This bill would have required a lead agency, as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), to adopt a negative declaration or a mitigated negative declaration if it determined that a residential infill development project, which was not exempt from CEQA, satisfied specific criteria.

(Status: Held in Senate Environmental Quality Committee)

AB 1108 (Pavley) - Environmental quality: scoping meetings: military areas. As passed by this committee, this bill authorized the Secretary of the Resources Agency to acquire property located within the Santa Monica Mountains Zone that was held in title by the State Controller and that had been identified by the Resources Agency as having significant statewide resource value. The bill was subsequently amended to deem that any scoping meeting, which is held pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act, satisfies the state scoping meeting requirement of the California Environmental Quality Act for projects of statewide, regional, or area-wide significance, and to impose additional requirements on a lead agency, if the United States Department of Defense or a military service notifies that lead agency of the contact person and address for the military service and the specific boundaries of a low-level flight path, military impact zone, or special use airspace.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 638, Statutes of 2002)

AB 1283 (Florez) - Environmental quality: dairies. This bill would have authorized, that when an environmental impact report has been prepared for a dairy expansion, improvement, or development project pursuant to CEQA, the project applicant to submit the environmental

impact report to the Attorney General for review as to whether the environmental impact report substantially complies with the requirements of law.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>AB 1365 (Ashburn) - Environmental quality: sewage sludge</u>. This bill would have designated any public agency engaged in the treatment or generation of sewage sludge as the lead agency for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act for the transportation, disposal, use, land application, or storage of that sewage sludge within or outside its boundaries.

(Status: Held in Committee)

AB 1532 (Pavley) - Environmental quality. As passed by this committee, this bill required, with regard to projects that may have a significant regional impact, a lead agency to transmit its findings with respect to each significant environmental impact to other public agencies, which it is required to consult, before the lead agency may approve or carry out the proposed project, and to hold a public scoping hearings during the 30-day comment period of the notice of determination and a public comment period of at least 14 days between the proposed transmittal and approval of its findings. The bill was subsequently amended to require the submission of transportation information to the transportation planning agency in the project's region and to the Department of Transportation for a project of statewide, regional, or areawide significance, and to require a lead agency to call at least one scoping meeting for a project of statewide, regional, or areawide significance.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 867, Statutes of 2001)

AB 1882 (Canciamilla) - Environmental quality: infill development: County of Contra Costa. This bill would have codified the provisions of the infill development projects regulations, and would have expanded the exemption to include any infill development project in an unincorporated area, if, among other criteria, the project was an affordable single-family development, an affordable multiunit housing development, a mixed-use housing development that meets specified criteria, or a park, and was located within the County of Contra Costa, and the environmental impact report on the applicable general plans was certified within 5 years of the completion of the project application.

(Status: Held in Senate Environmental Quality Committee)

<u>AB 2290 (Kehoe) - California Environmental Quality Act</u>. This bill would have specified that, for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act, any project that may have had a substantial adverse impact on a wetland or special aquatic site was a project that may have had a significant effect on the environment.

(Status: Held on Assembly Floor)

AB 2707 (La Suer) - California Environmental Quality Act: creation of bicycle lanes. This bill would have exempted from the California Environmental Quality any project that created a bicycle lane by reducing the number of vehicle lanes on an existing roadway.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>AB 2761 (Pavley) - California Environmental Quality Act: natural resources</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill added, within the boundaries of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, Las Pulgas Canyon, located in the City of Los Angeles. The bill was subsequently amended to prohibit a lead agency from authorizing or allowing any grading or development on a project, unless every responsible agency and public agency with jurisdiction over natural resources affected by the project has fully complied with CEQA, and has approved the project.

(Status: Held in Senate Environmental Quality Committee)

AB 3041 (Natural Resources Committee) - Environmental quality: use of State Clearinghouse by lead agencies. This bill codifies the requirement that each lead agency use the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, commonly referred to as the State Clearinghouse, in order to circulate a draft environmental impact report and a negative declaration, and requires each lead agency to provide a sufficient number of copies of each document to Office of Planning and Research for circulation to the appropriate state agencies.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 1052, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 244 (Speier) - Environmental quality: airport expansion and enlargement projects</u>. This bill increases the review period for draft environmental impact reports for airport expansion or enlargement projects and clarifies that the acquisition of tideland or submerged land for airport expansion or enlargement requires city or county approval.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 534, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 496 (Sher) - Environmental quality</u>. This bill requires that the criteria for public agencies to use in determining when a project of statewide, regional, or area-wide environmental significance be submitted to appropriate state agencies for review and comment. (Status: Held on Assembly Floor)

<u>SB 1415 (Perata) - San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District.</u> This bill provides an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act to the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District for seismic retrofit of existing structures if certain conditions are met. (Status: Chaptered by the Secretary of State - Chapter 970, Statutes of 2002)

SB 1622 (Murray) - Parks and recreation: California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development Program: urban parks: Ballona Creek. As passed by this committee, this bill required the State Resources Agency to develop a protocol, with public participation, for reviewing the prospective application of certified regulatory programs to evaluate the consistency of those programs with the California Environmental Quality Act, required the Office of Planning and Research and the California State Library to make the electronic copies of environmental review documents available to the public for viewing, and set requirements for naming a real party in interest, serving the petition or complaint, and providing responsible agencies with notice of the action or processing. The bill was subsequently amended to make changes to the California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development Program, the State Urban Parks and Communities Act, and the Baldwin Hills Conservancy.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 975, Statutes of 2002)

SB 1828 (Burton) - Mining: historical resources: affected Native American sacred sites: California Environmental Quality Act. This bill would have amended the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act and the California Environmental Quality Act to subject projects that could affect a Native American tribe's sacred site to additional conditions and approvals. (Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 30, 2002)

<u>SB 1925 (Sher) - California Environmental Quality Act: exemptions</u>. This bill consolidates provisions relating to housing and infill development projects, revises the affordable housing exceptions, and makes certain definitions, terms and conditions consistent. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 1039, Statutes of 2002)

#### ~ COASTAL ISSUES ~

<u>AB 640 (Jackson) – Coastal resources: local coastal programs</u>. This bill required the California Coastal Commission, not less than once every five years after certification, to review every certified local coastal program to determine, among other things, effective implementation of the plan, changed circumstances, and the need for revisions to address adverse cumulative impacts of development on coastal zone resources.

(Status: Held on Assembly floor)

<u>AB 1913 (Lowenthal) – Coastal development</u>. This bill authorizes the Executive Director of the California Coastal Commission to file a notice of violation of the California Coastal Act if the Director determines that real property has been developed in violation of the Act.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 235, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2158 (Lowenthal) - Coastal development permits: affordable housing requirements</u>. This bill requires the California Coastal Commission to take appropriate steps to ensure that coastal development permit conditions relating to affordable housing are enforced and do not expire during the term of the permit.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 297, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2162 (Negrete McLeod) – Vehicles: license plates</u>. This bill would have diverted certain license plate revenues from the Environmental License Plate Fund to the License Plate Coastal Access Account.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 2727 (Keeley) - State Coastal Conservancy: coastal zone land</u>. This bill revises the State Coastal Conservancy's authority to provide grants and fund land acquisitions, and provides consistency across various Coastal Conservancy programs.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 958, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2943 (Wiggins) - California Coastal Commission: construction</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill required the California Coastal Commission to forward to the Resources Agency a copy of evidence of recordation of any offer to dedicate (OTD) real property for access to or along the coast and a description of the real property subject to the OTD. The bill was entirely amended in the Senate to give the Coastal Commission discretion as to whether or not to grant a coastal development permit for a seawall that is necessary to serve a coastal dependent use or to protect an existing structure.

(Status: Held on Senate Floor)

<u>ACR 20 (Pavley) - California Coastal Trail</u>. This resolution declares that the California Coastal Trail is an official state trail, and urges the California Coastal Commission and the State Coastal Conservancy to work collaboratively on the completion of the trail.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State – Resolution Chapter 99, Statutes of 2001)

<u>HR 7 (Wiggins) – Offshore oil drilling</u>. This House Resolution would have memorialized the federal government to enact legislation imposing a permanent ban on offshore oil drilling off the coast of California and that the US President not weaken existing state authority to review federal activities pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>SB 55 (Kuehl) – Local coastal program: City of Malibu</u>. This bill reappropriates \$100,000 from the Budget Act of 2000 to the California Coastal Commission for preparation and adoption of the local coastal program for the City of Malibu.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 11, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 516 (Johnson) – Local coastal programs</u>. This bill authorizes Orange County to continue to implement the certified Local Coastal Program (LCP) for a particular region within the county following the area's annexation by the City of Newport Beach. This gives the City approximately 24 months to develop its own LCP to supercede use of the County's LCP, or face an ongoing late fee until the LCP is completed.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 537, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 908 (Chesbro) – State Coastal Conservancy: California Coastal Trail</u>. This bill requires the State Coastal Conservancy to coordinate the development of the California Coastal Trail and, to the extent feasible, link it to inland trail systems, particularly in urban areas.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State – Chapter 446, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 1086 (Alpert) - Marine Life Protection Program: master plan</u>. This bill would have extended from January 1, 2003 to January 1, 2005 the requirement for the Department of Fish and Game to submit, to the Fish and Game Commission, a draft Master Plan that guides the adoption and implementation of a Marine Life Protection Program.

(Status: Held in Assembly Water, Parks & Wildlife Committee)

<u>SB 1164 (Sher) – Local coastal programs: costs.</u> This bill authorizes litigation costs to be paid by the State Controller to a local government with a certified local coastal program prior to the time a final judgment is rendered if the Attorney General has intervened in support of the local government, the amount does not exceed \$500,000, and the amount paid is equal to or greater than five percent of the local government's general revenues. The bill also requires the local government to reimburse the state for any costs recovered after a final judgment is rendered in the action.

(Status: Chaptered by the Secretary of State – Chapter 1104, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1381 (Kuehl) – Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission</u>. This bill establishes the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission as an informational forum, planning body, and grant making agency, to assess the biological condition and state of the Santa Monica Bay.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 598, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1916 (Figueroa) – Local coastal programs: pollution</u>. This bill would have required local governments in the coastal zone seeking to certify or amend a local coastal plan to include a nonpoint source pollution prevention element in the plan.

(Status: Held on Assembly Floor)

<u>SB 1962 (Polanco) – State Coastal Conservancy: coastal access</u>. This bill requires the California Coastal Conservancy to accept all offers to dedicated public accessways (OTDs) that have not been accepted by another entity by at least 90 days before the OTD is set to expire, provided sufficient development funds are available.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 518, Statutes of 2002)

#### ~ CONSERVANCIES ~

<u>AB 104 (Nation) - State Coastal Conservancy: mitigation of motor vehicle environmental impacts</u>. This bill would have authorized the State Coastal Conservancy to establish a Motor Vehicle Mitigation Subaccount and impose a fee of up to \$4 on the registration or renewal of registration of every motor vehicle within the nine counties of the San Francisco Bay Region. The fees would have been used to fund projects that mitigate for the adverse environmental impacts of motor vehicles on water quality.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, October 13, 2001)

<u>AB 343 (Bates) - State Coastal Conservancy: grants for education programs</u>. This bill authorizes the State Coastal Conservancy to undertake projects that provide educational programs regarding the preservation, protection, enhancement, and maintenance of coastal resources. The bill further authorizes the conservancy to award grants to organizations and agencies that develop these programs.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 885, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 966 (Wesson) – Baldwin Hills Conservancy: Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill increased, from nine to ten, the number of voting members of the governing board of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy by including the member of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors within whose district the majority of the Conservancy's area is located. The bill was entirely amended in the Senate to reappropriate the remainder of any unencumbered funds appropriated to DPR for capital outlay projects within the Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area from the Budget Act of 2001 for purposes of acquisition, planning, and construction of that project.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 636, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 1663 (Leslie) - Sierra Nevada Conservancy</u>. This bill would have declared that the Sierra Nevada Conservancy is listed in the Resources Agency.

(Status: Held in Committee)

AB 2156 (Kehoe) - San Diego River Conservancy. This bill establishes, until January 1, 2010, the San Diego River Conservancy to acquire and direct the management of specific public lands in the San Diego River Area, and prescribes its management, powers and duties.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 574, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2387 (Bates) - State Coastal Conservancy: grants for education programs</u>. This bill prohibits the State Coastal Conservancy from awarding a grant to an educational institution, including a community college, if the source of the grant is the General Fund. A follow up to AB 343 (Bates), this bill ensures that the grant program does not conflict with Proposition 98 education funding through the general fund.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 164, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2891 (Koretz) - Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy</u>. This bill gives discretion to the Executive Director of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to determine whether a sufficient emergency or potential emergency exists to close a property within the Conservancy. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 595, Statutes of 2002)

AB 3042 (Natural Resources Committee) – California Tahoe Conservancy and state parks project revolving fund. Sponsored by the Resources Agency, this bill authorizes the California Tahoe Conservancy to award grants to federally recognized Indian tribes and the Tahoe transportation district and establishes the Parks Project Revolving Fund for expenditure by the Department of Parks and Recreation for improvement of park facilities.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 966, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 259 (Murray) – Baldwin Hills Conservancy</u>. This bill removes Ballona Creek and any land within the boundaries of West Los Angeles College from the jurisdiction of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy, and changes the structure and operation of the Conservancy. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 3, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1508 (Scott) - Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy: ex officio members.</u> This bill increases to three the number of ex-officio nonvoting members of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy by including the Supervisor of the Angeles National Forest as a member. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 259, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1664 (Romero) - San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy:</u> <u>membership</u>. This bill would have added four nonvoting members, two members of the Assembly appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, and two Senators appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, to the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy.

(Status: Held on Assembly Floor)

<u>SB 1854 (Machado) - Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy Program</u>. This bill would have established the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy Program within the State Coastal Conservancy.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

#### ~ ENERGY ~

<u>AB 69 (Wright) - Electricity: governmental entities in Los Angeles County: contracts.</u> As passed by this Committee, this bill would have required the Governor's Green Team to make expedited repowering of existing power plants a top priority. The bill was subsequently amended to allow certain entities within the jurisdiction of Southern California Edison to purchase electricity from the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, October 14, 2001)

<u>AB 71 (Wright) - Energy: new construction certificates.</u> This bill would have required the California Public Utilities Commission and the California Energy Commission to study the existing electric transmission system to determine whether or not existing systems are adequate enough to meet forecasted demand and whether they would need to be upgraded or retrofitted for additional transmission.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 162 (Daucher) - Energy: generators</u>. This bill would have authorized an air district to establish guidelines for the permitting of electric power generators and authorizes a generator that meets the guideline requirements to supply power to the state's power grid.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 460 (Wyman) - Energy: Path 15.</u> This bill would have appropriated \$10 million to the California Energy Commission to fund environmental studies along the electric transmission line known as "Path 15".

(Status: Held in Senate Energy, Utilities and Commerce Committee)

<u>AB 497 (Robert Pacheco) – Energy: Public education facilities renewable energy generation grant program</u>. This bill would have established the Public Education Facilities Renewable Energy Generation Grant Program to provide public education facilities, including the California State University and University of California systems to use emerging technologies to offset energy demands at their facilities.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 578 (La Suer) - Energy: electric generation facilities</u>. As passed by this Committee, this bill would have authorized the Department of Water Resources to issue bonds in order to offset any undercollection associated with the sale of energy from San Diego Gas & Electric. The bill was entirely amended to require the Public Utilities Commission to establish a prudent and reasonable re-payment mechanism for customers served by San Diego Gas & Electric.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

AB 621 (Corbett) – Public utilities: interruptible service contracts. This bill requires the Independent System Operator, electrical corporations, and local publicly-owned electrical corporations to notify local air pollution control districts, or air quality management districts, of all electric customers with whom it has entered into interruptible service contracts or similar arrangements. The bill also requires local air districts to keep this information confidential. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 862, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 802 (Dickerson) - Biomass-to-energy facilities</u>. This bill would have required the Air Resources Board, in consultation with the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, to establish a program, until June 30, 2006, that would have required each air pollution control district and air quality management district to charge a fee for each authorization to burn biomass and for each burning permit issued by the department.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>AB 1042 (Richman) - Energy: energy resources</u>. This bill would have required the CEC to identify regions of the state with the greatest supply-demand imbalance and requests those regions to identify one or more potential sites for future electric generation.

(Status: Held in Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee)

<u>AB 1272 (Mountjoy) – Air pollution: electrical generators</u>. This bill would have exempted any electricity-generating unit used as a secondary source from all rules and regulations imposed by an air district during any Stage 3 electrical emergency or blackout declared by the California Independent System Operator. The bill would have further required any secondary generating unit used for this purpose, that does not already meet air district rules, to do so by January 1, 2003.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 1469 (Leslie) - Energy: environmental protection</u>. As passed by this Committee, this bill would have provided a California Environmental Quality Act exemption for federal Energy Regulatory Commission Project 184 (a hydroelectric facility) and appropriated \$7.9 million to the El Dorado Irrigation District (Project 184) to assist with repairs and expedition of power generation. The bill was amended to require that the funding be in the form of a loan and that the loan may be repaid in the form of electricity to the state.

(Status: Held in Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee)

<u>AB 1529 (Wyman) - Public Utilities Commission: expeditions review and action</u>. This bill would have required the California Public Utilities Commission to act as expeditiously as possible when reviewing or acting upon an application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing the construction of an electric or gas plant, line or extension.

(Status: Held in Senate Energy, Utilities and Commerce Committee)

<u>AB 1561 (Kelley) - Energy efficiency standards: clothes washers</u>. This bill requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, not later than January 1, 2004, to amend existing regulations pertaining to energy efficiency standards for residential clothes washers to require these clothes washers manufactured on or after January 1, 2007 to be at least as efficient as commercial washers.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 421, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 1594 (Wyman) - Energy: California Energy Commission jurisdiction</u>. This bill would have increased the threshold for the CEC jurisdiction over powerplant siting from 50 megawatts to 125 megawatts for both new and modified electric facilities. (Status: Held in Committee)

<u>AB 1724 (Pavley) - Energy: customer credits</u>. This bill deletes a sunset on local government eligibility to receive customer credits for purchasing renewable energy that is not under contract with a utility. The bill was subsequently amended to mandate that the CEC establish a cap for this program on the aggregate amount of funds that may be awarded to public entities. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 774, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 1881 (Pescetti) - Energy: solar thermal and heating technologies</u>. This bill makes solar thermal and heating technologies eligible for installation on, or adjacent to, new state buildings and parking facilities.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 561, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2944 (Kehoe) - Energy</u>. As passed by this Committee, this bill would have established a pilot program in San Diego to educate the public on solar energy feasibility and to encourage greater use of solar energy systems. The bill was subsequently amended in its entirety to eliminate the existing state law prohibiting unsolicited fax advertisements.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State – Chapter 700, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AJR 4 (Leslie) - Biomass power facilities</u>. This resolution memorializes Congress to recognize the importance of the biomass industry in California and to encourage the continued operation of the existing biomass-to-energy industry by taking the reasonable measures necessary to increase the availability and reduce the cost of biomass wastes diverted to powerplants for use as renewable energy or fuels. The resolution also requests various federal agencies to recognize environmental benefits including improved air quality, decreased global-warming gases, and reduced threat of catastrophic forest fires that energy production from biomass waste can provide.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Resolution Chapter 76, Statutes of 2001)

<u>ABX1 9 (Richman) - Energy: energy resources</u>. This bill would have required the CEC to identify regions of the state with the greatest supply-demand imbalance and requests those regions to identify one or more potential sites for future electric generation.

(Status: Held in Senate Local Government Committee)

<u>ABX1 28 (Daucher) - Energy: generators</u>. As heard by this committee, this bill would have prohibited the State Air Resources Board or a local air quality management district from adopting or enforcing any regulation that prohibits the use, or limits the operating hours of, any compression ignition engine, turbine engine, or spark-reciprocating engine in a portable electric power generator, if that engine is powered by ethanol, methanol, or other fuels produced from renewable resources.

(Status: Held in Senate Rules Committee)

<u>ABX1 31 (Wright) - Energy</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill extended the utility interruptible programs and required the development of new demand reduction programs. The bill authorized an emergency variance if a breakdown condition occurred that cause air emission control equipment to fail to operate. The Senate amendments entirely revised the bill to authorize air districts to allow permitted stationary sources to operate emergency electrical power generating equipment during periods of involuntary power service interruption solely to prevent damage to its equipment or to complete the processing of products which would be irreparably damaged or destroyed as a direct result of the interruption, and clarify the circumstances under which a "breakdown condition" at a facility would qualify for an emergency variance.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 13, Statutes of 2001-02, First Extraordinary Session)

<u>ABX1 34 (La Suer) - State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission:</u> <u>audit</u>. This bill would have directed the Technology, Trade and Commerce Agency and a panel of experts established by the Legislature to conduct an audit of the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission's permitting process.

(Status: Held in Assembly Committee on Energy Costs & Availability)

<u>ABX1 36 (Wright) - Powerplant siting</u>. This bill would have included repowering projects within the process by which the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission issues final certification for any thermal powerplant.

(Status: Held in Senate Environmental Quality Committee)

<u>ABX1 53 (Reves) - Energy</u>. This bill would have transferred \$50 million from the General Fund to the Renewable Energy Loan Loss Reserve Fund, to guarantee loans made by financial institutions for renewable energy systems. The bill was subsequently amended to decrease the funding to \$40 million.

(Status: Held in Senate Energy, Utilities and Commerce Committee)

<u>ABX1 55 (Rod Pacheco) - Energy: California Environmental Quality Act</u>. This bill would have exempted from the California Environmental Quality Act any repower project that provides additional electricity and lowers air pollution. This bill also would have provided that an energy generating facility will accrue air emission reduction credits beyond the established limits of the local air quality management district.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>ABX2 17 (Rod Pacheco) - Energy: environmental protection</u>. This bill would have exempted from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act any repowering project, if the project would have resulted in a higher wattage facility that emitted fewer air, water, and thermal contaminants and the project had previously completed environmental review. (Status: Held in Committee)

<u>ABX2 60 (Hollingsworth) – Energy: standby and portable backup generators</u>. As considered by this committee, this bill required the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to evaluate and categorize permitted standby and portable backup generators by their emission levels and authorizes agreements whereby utilities can call on the owners of these generators to provide additional energy to the grid, when blackouts are determined to be imminent.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>ABX2 63 (Leonard) – Nuclear-fueled powerplant</u>. This bill would have authorized the Department of Water Resources to acquire property, construct, finance, own, and operate a nuclear-fueled powerplant with a generating capacity of not less than 640 megawatts, for the purpose of operating the Edmonston Pumping Plant.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>SB 530 (Sher) - Renewable energy</u>. This bill would have reinstated, continued, and modified components of the Renewable Energy Program Investment Plan and the Public Interest Energy Research.

(Status: Held in Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee)

<u>SB 532 (Sher) - Electrical services: California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program.</u> This bill would have created the California Renewables Portfolio Standard aimed at increasing the amount of renewable energy in the overall procurement portfolios of the state's electrical corporations from 10-20% by the year 2010.

(Status: Held in Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee)

#### SB 1078 (Sher) - Renewable energy: California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program.

This bill establishes the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program, which requires that a retail seller of electricity, including electrical corporations, community choice aggregators, and electric service providers, purchase a minimum percentage of electricity generated by eligible renewable energy resources as a percentage of total kilowatt hours sold to retail end-use customers each calendar year.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 516 -Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1143 (Bowen) – Energy</u>. This bill would have required the CEC to submit to the Legislature an annual assessment of the State's need for additional energy resources and to prepare a plan to increase renewable generation to 15% of the State's total generation by 2006 and 20% by 2010. (Status: Held on Assembly Floor)

#### ~ ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ~

<u>AB 1553 (Keeley) - Environmental justice: guidelines.</u> This bill requires the Office of Planning and Research, not later than July 1, 2003, to adopt guidelines for addressing environmental justice matters in city and county general plans, and to hold at least one public hearing prior to and after the release of any draft guidelines.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 762, Statutes of 2001)

AB 2312 (Chu) - Environmental justice: grant program. This bill establishes the Environmental Justice Small Grant Program under the jurisdiction of the California Environmental Protection Agency.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State, Chapter 994, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 828 (Alarcon) - Environmental justice</u>. This bill requires the Secretary for the California Environmental Protection Agency to convene the Working Group on Environmental Justice by January 1, 2002, and requires the working group to complete its responsibilities by July 1, 2002. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 765, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 1542 (Escutia) - Solid waste management: environmental justice</u>. This bill requires the California Integrated Waste Management Board to provide local jurisdictions and businesses with information to assist with consideration of environmental justice concerns regarding siting elements for solid waste disposal facilities.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 1003, Statutes of 2002)

#### ~ FORESTRY ~

AB 62 (Migden) - Forestry: sudden oak death. As passed by this Committee, this bill appropriated \$10, 265,000 for the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to combat Sudden Oak Death throughout California. The bill was subsequently amended to decrease the funding to \$3,586,000.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 915, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 242 (Thomson) - Forestry: sudden oak death</u>. This bill creates the Oak Woodland Conservation Act to provide grants, incentives, public education and assistance to local governments, park and open space districts, resource conservation districts and nonprofit organizations to encourage long-term private stewardship of California's oak woodlands.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 588, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 597 (Aanestad) - Forest Practice Act: exemptions</u>. This bill would have exempted from the provisions of the Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act the cutting and removal of trees by the commercial thinning method to reduce the threat of wildfire only if the removal satisfies certain conditions, including limiting removal of trees to areas identified as urban wildland interface communities in the vicinity of federal lands, and requiring the removal to immediately meet the stocking standards of the commercial thinning intermediate treatment method.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>AB 671 (Strom-Martin) - Timber harvesting</u>. This bill prohibits a person, whether acting as an individual or as a member of a partnership or as an officer or employee of a corporation or other legal entity, from obtaining more than one exemption in a five-year period for the one-time conversion of less than three acres to a nontimber use.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 627, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 1130 (Dickerson) - Sierra Nevada Conservancy</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill exempted, from the timber harvesting plan requirement of the Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act, the removal of woody debris and slash if the removal satisfied specified conditions. The bill was subsequently amended to establish the Sierra Nevada Conservancy to acquire and direct the management of public lands within the Sierra Nevada Region and prescribe its membership, powers, and duties.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>AB 1173 (Keeley) - Forestry: sudden oak death</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill required CDF to prepare a report on the status of oak resources and established the Oak Conservation Advisory Committee to address issues, including Sudden Oak Death, concerning oak resources in California. This bill was subsequently amended to require the California Air Resources Board to submit a report to the Legislature on indoor air pollution and the potential adverse effects of indoor air pollution on public health in California.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 987, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 1226 (Strom-Martin) - State forests</u>. This bill would have clarified the legislative intent of the state demonstration forests to include multiple uses, including but not limited to recreation, protection of the environment, and appropriate timber harvesting.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>AB 1602 (Keeley) - Forestry: sudden oak death</u>. As passed by this Committee, this bill required the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) to prepare a report on the status of oak resources in California, establish the Oak Conservation Advisory Committee, and required the Director of CDF to make policy recommendations on oak conservation in California. The bill was subsequently amended to become the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2002.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 875, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 1983 (Dickerson) - Wildland fuel reduction</u>. This bill would have enacted the California Fuel Hazard Reduction Act to be administered by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, in consultation with the Department of Food and Agriculture, to encourage the development of wildland fuel reduction practices.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 2234 (Vargas) - Cal Fire Agency</u>. This bill would have established the Cal Fire Agency under the direction of an executive officer known as the Secretary of Cal Fire.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 2251 (Nation) - Forestry: sudden oak death.</u> This bill enacts the Sudden Oak Death Management Act of 2002 and provides that California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and the California Department of Agriculture may expend funds to Sudden Oak Death regulatory activities, subject to the Budget Act of 2002.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 854, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2341 (Thomson) - Forestry: Oak Woodland Conservation</u>. This bill would have provided guidance to the Department of Conservation for spending funds designated for agricultural preservation and oak woodlands conservation.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 2381 (Cogdill) - Department of Forestry and Fire Protection</u>. This bill would have provided that the law relating to nonagricultural burning not limit authority granted by other provisions of law for a public officer to set or permit a fire for fire hazard prevention when the fire was immediately necessary and there was no reasonable alternative to burning, where best management practices were used.

(Status: Held in Senate Environmental Quality Committee)

<u>AB 2505 (Negrete McLeod) - Department of Forestry and Fire Protection: federally recognized Indian tribes: emergency services.</u> This bill would have authorized the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to enter into a contract with a federally recognized Indian tribe, for the purpose of providing emergency services on the tribe's land.

(Status: Held in Senate Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 2885 (Strom-Martin) - Forest practices: timber operator license</u>. This bill prohibits a real party in interest from having any involvement in the conduct of timber operations of any licensed timber operator when California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has denied a license to that real party in interest.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 171, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2993 (Firebaugh) - Urban wildland interface communities: prefire activities.</u> This bill requires the Board of Forestry and the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, to establish a working group consisting of representatives of state or local government, or both, industries and environmental groups with experience in state forestry and fire suppression policy, and representatives with experience in state forestry and fire suppression policy from sectors of the public that are not otherwise represented in the working group.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 596, Statutes of 2002)

<u>ACR 5 (Nation) - Forestry: sudden oak death</u>. This resolution requests that state agencies that are involved with the response to sudden oak death syndrome coordinate with federal agencies to seek funding to address Sudden Oak Death Syndrome.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State – Resolution Chapter 149, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AJR 25 (Firebaugh) – Forest resources</u>. This bill memorializes the Congress to declare its encouragement of public and private investment in economically and environmentally sound forest management practices that ensure sustainable forests for the benefit of present and future generations.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Resolution Chapter 122, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 234 (Kuehl) - State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection</u>. This bill would have altered the required interests and backgrounds of the members of the Board of Forestry and applied conflict of interest and ex parte communications standards to the board.

(Status: Held on Assembly Floor)

<u>SB 540 (Sher) - Forest practices: penalties.</u> As passed by this committee, this bill authorized a board of supervisors of a county to appeal, to the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, the approval of a plan, by the Director of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, which would have resulted in the removal of more than 70% of the preharvest volume of any area greater than 2 1/2 acres in a single timber operation. The bill was subsequently amended to bifurcate the ability of the Attorney General and a district attorney to seek a criminal misdemeanor action from their ability to seek a civil action against violators of Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 762, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 909 (Chesbro) - Timber harvest plans</u>. This bill extends to 30 days from the completion of the initial inspection of the timber harvest plan the amount of time the Director of the State Department of Fire and Forest Protection has to review a timber harvest plan and take public comments, with 10 of those days following the date of final interagency review.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 639, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 1568 (Morrow) - Department of Forestry and Fire Protection</u>. This bill would have required the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to station at least two air tankers in southern California year-round to provide fire prevention and suppression services. (Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>SB 2049 (Sher) - Forest Resources Improvement Fund: expenditures</u>. This bill would have eliminated expenditures from the Forest Resources Improvement Fund for specific wood energy programs and for certain costs associated with the administration of forestry programs, but would have authorized the expenditure of moneys in the fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for costs associated with research on, and the detection, removal, and treatment of trees infected with, phytophythora ramorum, commonly referred to as "sudden oak death." (Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>SB 2088 (Natural Resources and Wildlife Committee) - Resource conservation</u>. This bill repeals provisions of the Public Resources Code requiring a study in 1994 on chapparal brushlands. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 291, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SBX2 64 (Costa) - Qualified agricultural biomass: incentive grants.</u> This bill changes the definition of "facility" as it relates to the Agricultural Biomass-to-Energy Incentive Grant Program, to include a facility that operated prior to July 1, 2000 converting qualified agricultural biomass to energy, was closed for a period of time, but maintained all applicable air quality permits during the closure, and is ready to reopen on or before June 30, 2001.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 4, Statutes of 2001-02, Second Extraordinary Session)

#### ~ HARBORS AND PORTS ~

<u>AB 777 (Lowenthal) - Federal navigation projects</u>. This bill would have created the Federal Navigation Project Fund for purposes of allocating state money within the fund to local governmental entities to provide matching funds for federal navigation projects. (Status: Held in Senate Transportation Committee)

<u>AB 862 (Thomson) – Federal navigation projects: Port of Sacramento</u>. This bill would have appropriated \$16 million from the General Fund to the Department of Boating and Waterways for allocation for the 2001-02 fiscal year to the Port of Sacramento for the purpose of meeting local matching share requirements for federal navigation projects.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 1782 (Kehoe) – Harbors and ports: security bonds</u>. This bill would have enacted the Harbor and Port Protection Bond Act of 2002 and authorizes the issuance of \$350 million in State General Obligation Bonds to finance capital improvement projects that provide enhanced security at ports and harbors.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

#### ~ MINING AND GEOLOGY ~

<u>AB 1878 (Leslie) - Mining</u>. This bill would have provided the State Mining and Geology Board additional time and further review of State Mining and Reclamation Act violations prior to the Board taking over a lead agency's responsibilities under the Act.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>SB 483 (Sher) - Surface mining and reclamation</u>. This bill provides funding and time extensions for the remediation of abandoned mines in California and for an annual report on abandoned mine remediation projects that are proposed for the next fiscal year, and also amends the Surface Mining & Reclamation Act with the intent to protect Native American sacred sites from the potential environmental impacts associated with cyanide heap leach mining.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 1154, Statutes of 2002)

#### ~ MISCELLANEOUS ~

<u>AB 1204 (Aroner) - Environmental Filing Fee</u>. This bill would have increased the existing environmental filing fee collected by the Department of Fish and Game from \$25 to cover local environmental documentation filing costs on local projects.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>AB 1324 (Negrete McLeod) – California Conservation Corps</u>. This bill requires state agencies to notify the California Conservation Corps of any potential contracts for services that would fit within the Corps' mission and provides that the use of Corps members should take precedence over other labor.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 760, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 2631 (Matthews) - Resources</u>. This bill provides code maintenance for sections of the Contract Code and the Public Resources Code related to the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, and the California Conservation Corps.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 953, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2683 (Pavley) - California Environmental Protection Agency</u>. As passed by this Committee, this bill revised and reorganized the provisions, governing powers and duties of the California Environmental Protection Agency. The bill was subsequently amended to make technical amendments to the California Bay-Delta Authority Act.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 955, Statutes of 2002)

<u>ACA 8 (Keeley) - California Water and Land Protection Trust Fund</u>. This constitutional amendment would have created the California Water and Land Protection Trust Fund in the State Treasury.

(Status: Held on Assembly floor)

<u>SB 951 (Governmental Organization Committee) - State property</u>. This bill is the annual surplus property bill, which authorizes the Director of the State Department of General Services to sell, exchange or lease specified parcels of state property.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 610, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 1111 (Kuehl) - International Trade: environment.</u> This bill would have required the Secretary of the California Environmental Protection Agency and the Secretary of the Resources Agency to consult with legislative committees and prepare a report that assesses the potential adverse impacts of international trade agreements on existing California environmental laws and regulations.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, October 11, 2001)

### ~ NATURAL COMMUNITY CONSERVATION PLANNING (NCCP) ~

<u>AB 1931 (Hollingsworth) – Natural community conservation plans: pilot program</u>. This bill would have authorized the Department of Fish and Game to implement a pilot program known as the Western Riverside County Multiple Species Natural Community Conservation Plan. (Status: Held in committee)

#### ~ OIL SPILL PREVENTION ~

AB 388 (Strom-Martin) - Specialty fiber crops. As passed by this committee, this bill appropriated \$125,000 for expenditure, without regard to fiscal year, to the Department of Fish and Game's Office of Oil Spill Prevention and Response to develop and conduct training of staff and other personnel to respond to toxic spills requiring the rescue of wildlife. The bill was subsequently amended to request that the University of California conduct an assessment of economic opportunities available through the production of specialty or alternative fiber crops. (Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 15, 2002)

<u>AB 556 (Jackson) – Oil and gas development: pipelines</u>. This bill would have required oil produced offshore to be transported to onshore processing facilities by pipeline only and that all pipelines used to transport this oil use best available technology. The bill also authorized transportation alternatives for oil that is too highly viscous to be practically transported by pipeline.

(Status: Held on Assembly floor)

<u>AB 715 (Wayne) - Oil spill prevention and response: ballast water.</u> This bill clarifies the authority of the Department of Fish and Game's Office of Spill Prevention and Response to require drills of oil spill response organizations in order to test their readiness to respond to oil spills and provide the best achievable protection for the marine environment.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 748, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 1573 (Pescetti) – Resource conservation districts: directors</u>. As passed by this committee, the bill would have removed the sunset provision for local oil revenue sharing applicable to revenue from leases that have either a local or state development plan submitted on or before January 1, 2002. The bill was subsequently amended in the Senate to address resource conservation districts.

(Status: Held in Senate Local Government Committee)

<u>AB 2083 (Jackson) - Public resources: oil spill prevention and response</u>. This bill requires the State Lands Commission to develop the Oil Transfer and Transportation Emissions and Risk Reduction Form to be completed by a responsible party engaged in the transportation of oil by tanker which will track the amount and type of oil transported, as well as the method, path, and emissions along the coast between the San Francisco Bay Area and Los Angeles.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 512, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 849 (Torlakson) – Oil spills: fees</u>. This bill increases, from \$0.04 to \$0.05 for each barrel of crude oil or petroleum byproducts, an oil spill prevention and administration fee that is imposed by the administrator for oil spill response on every person owning crude oil at the time that the oil is received at a marine terminal. The bill authorizes the imposition of an administrative fee for each application to obtain a certificate of financial responsibility for nontank vessels. The bill also adds to the Oil Spill Technical Advisory Committee a member who has demonstrable

knowledge of the dry cargo vessel industry and requires the committee to prepare a report on the effectiveness of the oil spill response and preparedness program.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 514, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1513 (Karnette) – Oil spill contingency planning: financial responsibility</u>. This bill extends, until January 1, 2006, the expiration date of authority of the administrator for oil spill response to establish a lower standard of financial responsibility for privately-owned nontank vessels with a maximum carrying capacity of 6,500 barrels of oil and for California state- or federally-owned nontank vessels with a 7,500 barrel or less carrying capacity.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 207, Statutes of 2002)

#### ~ OPEN SPACE ~

<u>AB 910 (Wayne) - Wildlife conservation easements</u>. This bill prohibits a governmental entity from condemning any wildlife conservation easement acquired by a state agency unless it complies with specified condemnation procedures.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 863, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 1398 (Florez) - Working landscapes stewardship</u>. As passed by this Committee, this bill would have established the Working Landscapes Stewardship Fund in the State Treasury to provide incentive payments to landowners to better manage their lands for the purposes of native plant and wildlife conservation. This bill was subsequently amended in its entirety to require a person convicted either of reckless driving, driving under the influence, or driving under the influence causing injury to pay an additional assessment of \$500 if the county where the violation takes place has established an Emergency Medical Services Fund.

(Status: Held in Senate Public Safety Committee)

<u>AB 1414 (Dickerson) - Public lands</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill encouraged the Departments of Fish and Game (DFG) and of Parks and Recreation to first use, where possible, non-acquisition methods such as easements for habitat restoration and other conservation goals. The bill was subsequently amended to require, subject to funding, DFG to prepare draft management plans for property acquired on and after January 1, 2002, and the Resources Agency, subject to funding, to develop and maintain a database of lands and easements acquired by its departments and boards.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 8, Statutes of 2002)

#### ~ SOLID WASTE ~

<u>AB 173 (Chavez): - Solid waste: Tipping Fees.</u> This bill eliminates the sunset on the exemption from the solid waste tipping fee for inert waste disposed at surface mine reclamation sites and requires the California Integrated Waste Management Board to adopt and file regulations to establish an appropriate level of oversight of the management of construction and demolition waste, and the management of inert waste at mine reclamation sites.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 811, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 467 (Strom-Martin) - Solid waste: small business grant program</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill required the California Integrated Management Board to establish a grant and loan program for small recycling businesses that provide additional markets for postconsumer waste materials through innovative recycling technologies. This bill was subsequently amended to provide loans for early closure of landfills.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 587, Statutes of 2002)

AB 709 (Wayne) - Solid waste: burn dump sites. As passed by this committee, this bill would have required the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) in consultation with the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to make an assessment of co-disposal sites in California. The bill was amended to require the CIWMB, in consultation with the DTSC and SWRCB to develop protocols and take specific steps relating to the funding for and clean up of burn dump sites in California.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 589, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 1187 (Simitian) - Solid waste: omnibus clean up</u>. This bill, the annual omnibus solid waste clean up bill for the California Integrated Waste Management Board, provides minor and technical changes to solid waste landfill, waste, used tire disposal and used oil collection statutes. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 316, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 1201 (Pavley) - Solid waste: used oil recycling fund</u>. This bill adds clean up, mitigation, and education to abate nonpoint source pollution, including stormwater pollution, from oil and oil byproducts to the eligible funding sources for the California Used Oil recycling fund. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 317, Statutes of 2001)

<u>AB 1400 (Codgill) - Solid waste: pilot project grant program</u>. This bill would have appropriated \$1.4 million from the General Fund to Mariposa County to construct and operate a mixed solid waste composting facility in cooperation with Yosemite National Park. The bill was subsequently amended to delete the appropriation and require the County to submit a report to the California Integrated Waste Management Board on the progress of the mixed solid waste facility.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 381, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 1482 (Richman) - Solid waste: diversion.</u> This bill reduces the daily minimum penalty for a regional agency for failing to submit an adequate Integrated Waste Management Plan or element or failing to make a good faith effort to implement the Source Reduction Recycling Element or Household Hazardous Waste Element. The bill was subsequently amended to allow for each city or county to be accountable for the city or county's portion of the fine based on the city or county's responsibility.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 359, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2308 (Chavez) - Solid waste: inert waste</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill would have exempted inert waste that is disposed of in a mine reclamation facility that is also a solid waste landfill from being included as solid waste diversion by cities and counties. This bill was subsequently amended to mandate that the amount of inert waste being diverted be included in a jurisdictions annual report to the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) if that inert waste is being disposed of in a landfill where surface mining operations are conducted. This bill also contains an inoperative provision should subsequent regulations be adopted by the CIWMB.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 993, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2356 (Keeley) - Solid waste: clopyralid</u>. This bill requires the California Department of Pesticide Regulation to take actions resulting from the presence of the long-lived herbicide "clopyralid" and other herbicides in compost comprised of yard waste and other organic materials.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 591, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2770 (Matthews) - Solid waste: conversion and transformation technologies.</u> This bill makes changes to definitions regarding conversion and transformation technologies. The bill was subsequently amended to establish a new definition for "gasification" and require the California Integrated Management Board to provide a report on new and emerging conversion technologies.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 740, Statutes of 2002)

<u>ACR 101 (Leslie) - Solid waste: landfill disposal</u>. This resolution would have recommended to the Regents of the University of California that the University consider completing an in-depth study to establish the true costs of landfill disposal of solid waste in California.

(Status: Held in Committee)

<u>SB 88 (Costa) - Solid waste: odor abatement</u>. This bill conditionally authorizes local enforcement agencies to take appropriate enforcement action on odor abatement of compost facilities and requires the California Integrated Waste Management Board to adopt regulations governing the operation of organic composting sites.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 424, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 373 (Torlakson) - Solid waste: school districts</u>. This bill would have established a public school recycling program and required the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB), Department of Conservation and local school districts to develop school litter and waste reduction programs and recycling policies and practices. The bill was subsequently

amended to establish the Office of Integrated Environmental Education within the Waste Board, require the State Board of Education and the State Department of Education to revise the framework in science, establish the Environmental Ambassador Pilot Program within the Waste Board, establish a grant program and appropriate \$1.5 million from the Integrated Waste Management Fund to promote environmental education and recycling in California schools. (Status: Chaptered by Secretary of the State – Chapter 926, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 441 (Sher) - Solid waste: recycling</u>. This bill would have made technical and clarifying changes to the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989. This bill was subsequently amended to revise payment and recycling formulae within the Bottle Bill law and add new recycling programs to the Bottle Bill program.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 30, 2002)

<u>SB 528 (Sher) - Solid waste: Bottle Bill.</u> This bill provides technical clean up to the Public Resources Code involving the Department of Conservation. The bill was subsequently amended to make numerous changes to the Bottle Bill in the areas of reports, predatory pricing and enforcement.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 874, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 649 (Environmental Quality Committee) - Solid Waste: management.</u> This bill makes numerous technical changes to solid waste laws in California.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of the State - Chapter 625, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1011 (Sher) - Household hazardous waste: mercury-containing light switches.</u> This bill allows household and small business hazardous waste collection programs to collect universal wastes at curbside; transfers the Registered Environmental Assessors Program from the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment to the Department of Toxic Substances Control; makes it permissive, instead of mandatory for DTSC to request annual statements of qualifications from architects and engineers for contracting purposes; increases the volume of small batteries that may be collected by a curbside household hazardous waste collection program; and corrects an error in past legislation (SB 649 Sher) regarding the regulation of mercury as a hazardous waste.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 626, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1127 (Karnette) - Solid waste: polystyrene recycling.</u> This bill requires the California Integrated Waste Management Board to conduct a study on the use and disposal of expanded polystyrene in California. The bill was subsequently amended to additionally remove the sunset date allowing the Waste Board to credit manufacturers for the use of recycled plastic postconsumer materials and allows the Waste Board to use funds collected from violations relating to recycled plastic containers and recycled plastic postconsumer material to promote the development of future recycling efforts.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 406, Statutes of 2001)

<u>SB 1328 (Chesbro) - Solid waste: abatement grants.</u> This bill expands the California Integrated Waste Management Board Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup Abatement Grant Program to include Native American Tribes and to increase the amount of grants from \$50,000 to \$200,000 per year.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 628, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1346 (Kuehl) - Solid waste: rubberized asphalt concrete</u>. This bill authorizes the California Integrated Management Board to implement a grant program, until June 30, 2006, for cities, counties, districts, and other local government agencies for the funding of public works projects that use rubberized asphalt concrete (RAC). The bill requires the Department of Transportation to post, on its public Internet Web site, data and descriptions regarding state public works projects using RAC. The bill also requires the Waste Board to create and annually update a database of public works projects that include RAC, and include the grant program as a program element in the five-year plan.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 671, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1374 (Kuehl) - Solid waste: construction and demolition waste.</u> This bill requires the California Integrated Waste Management Board to adopt a model ordinance for construction and demolition (C&D) waste materials and to provide annual updates on the waste materials in the Waste Board annual report. The bill also requires the Waste Board to take existing C&D waste materials ordinances and the impact of C&D waste on the local waste stream into consideration when imposing fines on communities.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 501, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1514 (Torlakson) - Solid waste: Bottle Bill.</u> This bill requires the Department of Conservation, using existing resources, to submit a report to the Legislature regarding beverage container recycling efforts in California public schools and permits the Department of Conservation to include in the report policy recommendations on ways to increase beverage container recycling in public schools.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 504, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 1523 (Sher) - Solid waste: E-waste</u>. This bill would have required, beginning January 1, 2004, every retailer that sells Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs) to collect a CRT Recycling Fee on each CRT device. The bill also would have established the CRT Recycling Account for the fees to be deposited, grant programs to expend the funds from the Account and establishes the CRT Recycling Advisory Committee.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 23, 2002)

<u>SB 1619 (Romero) - Solid waste: E-waste</u>. This bill, in conjunction with SB 1523 (Sher), would have provided a grant program and recycling and diversion goals for Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs) and CRT device diversion, recycling, and refurbishment. The bill also would have provided for hazardous waste labeling of all CRT devices.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 30, 2002)

<u>SB 1857 (Sher) - Solid waste: Bottle Bill.</u> As passed by this committee, this bill would have authorized the Department of Conservation to expend \$10 million annually, until January 1, 2006, in the form of grants for market development and expansion-related activities regarding the recycling of beverage containers. The bill was subsequently amended to address transportation issues.

(Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 29, 2002)

<u>SB 1882 (Alpert) - Solid waste: personal care products</u>. This bill would have required the California Integrated Waste Management Board to review and compile information on disposable diaper products and the information to be made available to local governments and local enforcement agencies to assist them in planning future solid waste diversion activities. (Status: Vetoed by Governor, September 27, 2002)

#### ~ STATE LANDS AND TIDELANDS ~

<u>AB 1290 (Lowenthal) - Tidelands: Knoll Hill, City of Los Angeles.</u> This bill would have required that certain real property known as "Knoll Hill," acquired with revenues generated from granted tide and submerged lands, be developed and maintained for public park purposes of a statewide or regional benefit.

(Status: Held on Senate floor)

<u>AB 1519 (Lowenthal) – Tidal and submerged lands: Long Beach tidelands.</u> This bill would have authorized the City of Long Beach to retain money deposited into an oil and gas well abandonment fund to pay for plugging and abandoning all wells from the Long Beach Tidelands that are not the contractual responsibility of the contractor or other parties. Use of the money from the fund would have required prior, written approval from the State Lands Commission. (Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 2092 (Kelley) – State Lands Commission: land exchange agreements with Arizona</u>. This bill authorizes the California State Lands Commission to enter into land exchange agreements with Arizona along the Colorado River in order to transfer each state's sovereign interests back within the physical boundaries of each state.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 432, Statutes of 2002)

<u>AB 2769 (Lowenthal) – Tidelands: City of Los Angeles.</u> This bill authorizes the Port of Los Angeles to use its property and money for commerce by removing a statutory restriction that currently authorizes the Port to use the property and money only for harbor development purposes.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 1130, Statutes of 2002)

#### ~ WATER QUALITY ~

<u>AB 729 (Kehoe) – Replacement Pier and Dredging Project: waste discharge permit fee waiver.</u> This bill prohibits the State Water Resources Control Board or a regional water quality control board from imposing a fee on a specific military dredging project in San Diego.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 664, Statutes of 2001)

AB 1192 (Pavley) - Water Quality and Watershed Protection Act of 2002. This bill would have established a general obligation bond, creating the Water Quality and Watershed Infrastructure Bond Fund, with unspecified proceeds dedicated to various accounts.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 2534 (Payley) – Watershed, Clean Beaches, and Water Quality Act</u>. This bill enacts the Watershed, Clean Beaches and Water Quality Act for purposes of appropriating various proceeds of bonds derived from the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood, Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 40).

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 727, Statutes of 2002)

<u>SB 196 (Burton) - Parks, coastal protection, land conservation, air pollution, and historic preservation bond act</u>. As considered by this committee, this bill would have placed on the March 5, 2002, statewide ballot the \$2.598 billion California Clean Water Clean Air Safe Neighborhood Parks and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2002.

(Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee)

<u>SB 482 (Kuehl) - Salton Sea</u>. As passed by this committee, this bill extended to the Attorney General or district attorney the authority to seek a civil penalty for violations of the Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act, and also authorized a prosecutor to seek such a civil penalty with or without bringing misdemeanor charges for the same conduct. The bill was subsequently amended to conditionally waive provisions of the Fully-Protected Species Act in order to establish a process for more effectively maintaining wildlife habitat at the Salton Sea, while still allowing water transfers to occur between the Imperial Irrigation District and the San Diego County Water Authority as one component in complying with the Colorado River Plan, an agreement that reduces southern California's allocation of water from the Colorado River.

(Status: Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 617, Statutes of 2002)

#### ~ WATERSHED PROTECTION ~

<u>AB 384 (Nation) – Wetlands</u>. This bill would have required the State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with the Resources Agency and the regional water boards, to prepare a report for submittal to the Legislature that indicates the projected workload, personnel requirements, and regulatory steps needed to fully implement a water quality permitting program to conserve and protect isolated wetlands that are not subject to regulation pursuant to the federal Clean Water Act.

Status: Held in committee)

<u>AB 1231 (Nation) - Forest watershed analysis</u>. This bill would have required the Resources Agency, in consultation with the Environmental Protection Agency, to supervise and coordinate, as part of the North Coast Watershed Assessment Program, the establishment of a watershed analysis methodology that examined cause and effect relationships in a watershed between various factors and anadromous salmonid populations and resulted in identification and prioritization of steps to improve the watershed, applicable on a subregional scale.

(Status: Held in Senate Appropriations Committee)

<u>AB 2806 (Wayne) – Watershed management: strategic plan</u>. This bill would have required the Resources Agency and CalEPA to develop a strategic watershed plan in order to guide state agency watershed management partnerships in California.

(Status: Held in Appropriations Committee)

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