

**ALAMEDA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATION/LEGISLATION
COMMITTEE**

Monday, March 10, 2025

1:30 p.m.

Supervisor Lena Tam, Chair
Supervisor Nikki Fortunato Bas

Location: *Board of Supervisors Chamber – 5th Floor*
County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Summary/Action Minutes

I. Federal Legislative Update – CJ Lake

Schedule

Both chambers are in session this week. The main focus in Washington will be Fiscal Year 2025 funding bills. Both chambers are scheduled to be in recess next week.

Appropriations

Congress has yet to finalize FY25 spending bills, and the current continuing resolution (CR) funding the government expires this Friday, March 14. Over the weekend, Republicans released the text of a six-month, “clean” CR that would lock funding at 2024 levels through the end of the fiscal year and avert a government shutdown. The House could vote on the bill as soon as Tuesday with the Senate to follow later in the week.

In a letter to House Democrats on Friday, Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries (D-N.Y.) and Minority Whip Katherine Clark (D-MA) stated that Democrats are ready to oppose a long-term extension of government funding at current 2024 levels. They cited concerns over cuts to funding for healthcare, nutritional assistance and veterans benefits.

If all Democrats oppose the six-month CR then Speaker Johnson will need to have nearly every Republican member vote in support of the measure for passage. At the same time, Senate Republicans could need as many as eight Democrats to support the CR.

Presidential Address to Congress

President Trump’s address to Congress showcased his policy priorities and the deep political divisions in Washington. He supported his new 25% tariffs on Canada and Mexico, stating that the measures were necessary to protect American industries.

The speech also highlighted the President’s broader legislative agenda, including his push for tax cuts, such as eliminating taxes on tips and overtime, and repealing the CHIPS and Science Act, a bipartisan measure designed to boost semiconductor manufacturing in the U.S. He avoided discussing healthcare policy or the upcoming government shutdown deadline, instead focusing on issues like transgender rights, immigration and border security, reforming the federal bureaucracy, and his opposition to diversity, equity, and inclusion programs.

Confirmations

The Senate voted to confirm Linda McMahon as Secretary of the Department of Education on Monday, March 3. President Trump now has twenty of his twenty-two cabinet members confirmed.

The final two nominees are former U.S. Representative Lori Chavez-DeRemer for Secretary of the Department of Labor and Elise Stefanik for Ambassador to the U.N. The Senate will likely confirm Chavez-DeRemer this week, but it will take longer for Stefanik. Speaker Mike Johnson is dealing with a slim majority in the House, and Stefanik's vote was critical in advancing the House's budget resolution providing the framework for Trump's agenda. As soon as Stefanik is confirmed as U.N. Ambassador, Johnson's already small House majority will shrink by one.

Purpose:

- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education
- Request PAL_Committee Recommendation or Position
- Other: Federal Legislative Update**

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

II. State Legislative Update

Committee Changes

On February 28th, the Assembly Speaker removed several Republican members from budget and policy committees, reportedly due to their social media criticism of the majority party—an unusual mid-session move.

On March 4th, the Assembly Committee on Health held a hearing focused on behavioral health system transformation.

Public Safety & Corrections

The Senate Budget Committee on Public Safety discussed prison population projections and Prop 36. The Department of Corrections plans to revise its methodology by the May budget revision, following questions from the Legislative Analyst's Office.

Legislative Analyst's Reports: Several reports were released, including:

- Encampment resolution funding and homelessness.
- Medi-Cal caseloads, especially among seniors.
- CalAIM's Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports implementation.

More budget subcommittee hearings are expected this week, with full updates to follow in the next report.

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Request for Legislation position – Action items

- i. **AB 1153 (Bonta) Solid waste disposal and co-disposal site cleanup: illegal disposal site abatement**

Recommendation: Support: Nate Miley, Board of Supervisors, District 4

- ii. **State Budget Request: Sustained funding for Future of Public Health (FoPH)**

Recommendation: Support: Aneeka Chaudhry, Interim Director,
Alameda County Health

- iii. **State Budget Request: Request \$44 million ongoing General Fund for the California Vaccine Management System (myCAvax)**

Recommendation: Support: Aneeka Chaudhry, Interim Director,
Alameda County Health
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 Other:

Move to the full Board of Supervisors with no recommendation from the PAL Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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