

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

**Monday, September 22, 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

The House and Senate are both in recess this week in observance of Rosh Hashanah. The Senate will return to Session on September 29th, while Speaker Johnson has said that he will not call the House back into session until October 1st.

Government Funding - Continuing Resolution

September 30th funding deadline is approaching. Last Friday the House of Representatives passed a short-term clean continuing resolution (CR) with a vote of 217-212 to fund the government until November 21, 2025. All House Democrats but one opposed the bill, insisting that provisions be included that extend the enhanced Affordable Care Act Subsidies which are set to expire at the end of the year.

Senate Majority Leader John Thune held votes in the Senate on the House passed CR and a Democrat alternative. The Democrat CR would have funded the government until October 31, extend health insurance subsidies and restore roughly \$1 trillion in funding to Medicaid. That bill failed by a vote of 47 to 45. Subsequently, the House passed CR failed by a vote of 44 to 48. Congress now faces the risk of a government shutdown on Wednesday, October 1, 2025. The Senate stands adjourned until Monday, September 29, 2025, except for pro forma sessions on Monday, September 22, 2025, and Thursday, September 25, 2025.

Avoiding a government shutdown will be the sole focus of House and Senate leadership this week.

House Update

All House Appropriations bills have made it completely through committee markups and are ready for a floor vote, with three bills having already been voted on.

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

2025 California Legislative Session Recap

The 2025 California Legislative Session saw approximately one-third new lawmakers; the year began with deadly wildfires in Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, and it ended with a rush of bills landing on Governor Newsom's desk, including an end-of-session package on climate and energy. The Legislature also placed mid-decade redistricting on the November ballot. Lawmakers introduced 2,397 bills between both houses, with about two-thirds passing their home of origin. As reported last week, dozens of measures were parked on the Inactive File for consideration next year when the legislature reconvenes.

California Enacts Nation's Strongest Protections Against Secret Police Tactics in Schools, Hospitals, and Communities

Governor Gavin Newsom signed into law on Saturday, September 20, 2025, the strongest set of protections in the nation to shield schoolchildren, hospital patients, and immigrant communities from the tactics of the Federal administration. Newsom announced a legislative package that makes California the first state to ban federal law enforcement officers from concealing their identities, require warrants before immigration agents can access classrooms or emergency rooms, and ensure that medical and student information is safeguarded from misuse. The policy bills also make clear that impersonating a federal agent is a crime, while reinforcing that schools and hospitals are places of safety, not targets of intimidation. Community leaders and lawmakers underscored the urgent need for these protections, pointing to the chaos unleashed by the federal administration, which prioritized mass arrests and removals over fairness, due process, or genuine public safety. From traumatized students and disrupted families to wrongful arrests of U.S. citizens, these federal tactics have endangered Californians while diverting resources from combating serious crimes.

Summary of the bills Governor Newsom signed:

- Assembly Bill 49 (Muratsuchi): Strengthens protections at school sites, limiting immigration enforcement actions on campuses.
- Senate Bill 81 (Arreguín): Safeguards health and care facilities by clarifying protections around patient information and restricting immigration enforcement access without proper legal authority. (Alameda County - Support)
- Senate Bill 98 (Pérez): Requires notification procedures for immigration enforcement at elementary, secondary, and postsecondary schools to ensure transparency and protect students.
- Senate Bill 627 (Wiener): Prohibits law enforcement from concealing their identities with masks, except in clearly defined circumstances.
- Senate Bill 805 (Pérez): Updates criminal statutes to reinforce penalties for impersonating federal agents and other related crimes.

Governor Newsom Announces Judicial Appointments

On Thursday, September 18, 2025, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the appointment of 15 new Superior Court Judges across California, including two in Alameda County and others in Contra Costa, Kern, Los Angeles, Marin, Mendocino, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Francisco, Santa Cruz, and Siskiyou Counties.

Department of Finance working on 2026-27 Budget

The Administration continues its work, including the development of the Governor's 2026-27 Budget. The Department of Finance provided its Budget Policy Letter in August, which instructed all Agencies and Departments to submit their Budget Change Proposals by September 3rd. Obviously, one major piece of the Budget picture next year will be the overall economic health of the State and the impacts on State and local costs borne by the significant policy changes in HR 1.

Traditionally, the Legislative Analyst's Office releases a revenue publication in November, which will provide us with more detail on the overall health of the State's revenues.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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