

**CAWA California Legislative Report
as of April 14, 2014**

CA AB 1522

AUTHOR: Gonzalez (D)
TITLE: Employment: Paid Sick Days
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 01/16/2014
LAST AMEND: 03/28/2014
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Enacts the Healthy Workplaces, Healthy Families Act of 2014; provides that any employee works for a specified number of days in a calendar year is entitled to paid sick days. Provides the formula for the accrual of such sick days. Authorizes an employer to limit an employee's use of paid sick days. Provides the authorized reasons to be used for taking such sick days. Prohibits discrimination or retaliation against an employee for requesting such sick days. Requires the posting of related notices.

STATUS:

03/28/2014 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.
Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary:

Join State Chamber Coalition to oppose AB1522.

POSITION: OPPOSE (04/04/2014)

CA AB 1634

AUTHOR: Skinner (D)
TITLE: Occupational Safety and Health: Violations
INTRODUCED: 02/10/2014
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Prohibits the stay of an abatement period during the pendency of an appeal of a citation for a violation of employment safety laws that is classified as a serious violation, repeat serious violation, or willful serious violation. Authorizes the Division of Occupational Safety and Health to stay these abatement periods if the division determines that a stay will not adversely affect the health and safety of employees.

STATUS:

04/09/2014 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To
Suspense File.

Commentary:

Join State Chamber Coalition to oppose AB1634

POSITION: OPPOSE (04/04/2014)

INTRODUCED: 02/19/2014
LAST AMEND: 04/10/2014
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Assembly Labor and Employment Committee
HEARING: 04/23/2014 1:30 pm

SUMMARY:

Require a client employer to share with a labor contractor all civil legal responsibility and civil liability for the payment of wages, the failure to report and pay all required employer contributions, worker contributions, personal income tax withholdings and the failure to obtain valid workers' compensation coverage. Allows indemnification for liability created by acts of a client employer.

STATUS:

04/10/2014 From ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT with author's amendments.

04/10/2014 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.

Commentary:

State Chamber has coalition to oppose AB1897. Watch bill to ascertain impact to CAWA members.

Position: WATCH (04/04/2014)

CA AB 1950

AUTHOR: Campos (D)
TITLE: Career Education: Career Education Incentive Program

INTRODUCED: 02/19/2014
LAST AMEND: 04/01/2014
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Assembly Education Committee
HEARING: 04/23/2014 1:30 pm

SUMMARY:

Establishes the Career Education Incentive Program under the State Department of Education. Authorizes school districts, county offices of education, charter schools, and community colleges to establish career education consortia. Specifies the information to be collected and reported annually by the consortia to the governing boards of the member local educational agencies, including member community college districts. Specifies the criteria for receipt and expenditure of state money.

STATUS:

04/01/2014 From ASSEMBLY Committee on EDUCATION with author's amendments.

04/01/2014 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on EDUCATION.

Commentary:

Watch to determine positive impact to career education programs.

Position: WATCH (04/04/2014)

CA AB 2313

AUTHOR: Nestande (R)
TITLE: Metal Theft and Related Recycling Crimes
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/21/2014
LAST AMEND: 03/28/2014
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Assembly Public Safety Committee
HEARING: 04/22/2014 9:00 am

SUMMARY:

Relates to metal theft and related recycling crimes. Requires the Department of Justice to establish a Metal Theft Task Force Program to provide grants to applicant agencies for the purpose of providing local law enforcement and district attorneys with the tools necessary to successfully interdict the commission of metal theft and related metal recycling crimes. Provides funding. Relates to lead, copper, wire, mercury, iron or brass from a railroad or a telephone, gas, electric light or water utility.

STATUS:

03/28/2014 To ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY.
03/28/2014 From ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY with author's amendments.
03/28/2014 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY.

Position: WATCH (04/04/2014)

CA SB 11

AUTHOR: Pavley (D)
TITLE: Alternative Fuel and Vehicle Technologies: Funding
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: yes
INTRODUCED: 12/03/2012
LAST AMEND: 09/06/2013
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Transportation Committee

SUMMARY:

Relates to compensation for the retirement of certain high polluting vehicles. Requires an update to guidelines for an enhanced fleet modernization program to include specified elements. Establishes compensation for replacement vehicles. Extends smog abatement fees in amounts required to make deposits into the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Fund, the Air Quality Improvement Fund, and a specified Subaccount. Relates to grants for air emission pollutant reduction projects.

STATUS:

09/11/2013 In ASSEMBLY Committee on TRANSPORTATION: Not heard.

Commentary:

Investigate legislation further and reconsider position at a later date.

Position: WATCH (04/04/2014)

CA SB 202

AUTHOR: Galgiani (D)
TITLE: Automotive Repair
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/07/2013
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Relates to the automotive repair exclusion list. Deletes repairing and changing tires from exclusion lists. Excludes tire services provided by a motor club or an operator of a tow truck owned or by a person or entity possessing a valid motor carrier permit from the definitions for repair of motor vehicles.

STATUS:

08/30/2013 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.

Commentary:

ASCCA Priority. Reaffirmed watch position unless ASCCA requests assistance.

Position: WATCH (04/04/2014)

CA SB 498

AUTHOR: Lara (D)
TITLE: Solid Waste: Biomass Conversion
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/21/2013
LAST AMEND: 01/27/2014
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY

SUMMARY:

Amends the State Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 that requires each city, county, and regional agency to develop a source reduction and recycling element of an integrated waste management plan and defines the term biomass conversion. Revises the definition of that term to mean the production of heat, fuels, or electricity by the controlled combustion of, or the use of other noncombustion thermal technologies on, those specified materials.

STATUS:

01/28/2014 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE.
*****To ASSEMBLY. (34-0)

Commentary:

Reaffirmed watch position.

Position: WATCH (04/04/2014)

CA SB 691

AUTHOR: Hancock (D)
TITLE: Nonvehicular Air Pollution Control: Penalties
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/22/2013
LAST AMEND: 09/04/2013
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Inactive File

SUMMARY:

Makes a person who violates provisions of existing law regarding nonvehicular air pollution control liable for a specified civil penalty, if the violation results from a stationary source discharge that is required by federal law to be included in an operating permit program, the discharge is a severe disruption to the community, the discharge includes one or more toxic air contaminants, and 100 or more people are exposed to the discharge. Requires penalty moneys to be expended for air quality programs.

STATUS:

09/12/2013 In ASSEMBLY. From third reading. To Inactive File.

Commentary:

Related to Chevron refinery fire of August 2012. Monitor bill.

Position: WATCH (04/04/2014)

CA SB 916

AUTHOR: Correa (D)
TITLE: Biosynthetic Lubricants: Procurement: Sale
INTRODUCED: 01/27/2014
LAST AMEND: 03/19/2014
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Governmental Organization Committee
HEARING: 04/22/2014 9:30 am

SUMMARY:

Requires a State agency, and any person or entity contracting with a State agency for the supply of lubricating oil, to purchase only a biosynthetic lubricant that meets certain requirements. Requires the Department of General Services to provide language for a State agency to include in a contract or grant implementing these provisions. Authorizes local entities to purchase biosynthetic lubricant that meets the specified requirements.

STATUS:

04/08/2014 In SENATE Committee on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION: Not heard.

Commentary:

Directly affects CAWA members.

POSITION: OPPOSE (04/04/2014)

CA SB 994

AUTHOR: Monning (D)
TITLE: Vehicles: Vehicle Information: Privacy
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/12/2014
LAST AMEND: 04/10/2014
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Transportation and Housing Committee
HEARING: 04/22/2014 1:30 pm

SUMMARY:

Enacts the Consumer Car Information Choice and Control Act. Requires a new motor vehicle manufacturer of vehicles sold or leased in the State, that records, generates, stores, or collects vehicle information to make certain disclosure to the registered owner regarding the generation and collection of that information, and to provide the owner with access to such information. Requires the manufacturer to offer the registered owner with an opt out ability. Prohibits restricting owner access to information.

STATUS:

04/10/2014 From SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING with author's amendments.
04/10/2014 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING.

Commentary:

Neutral or no-position on SB994 at this time. AAIA high priority issue.

Position: WATCH (04/04/2014)

CA SB 1249

AUTHOR: Hill (D)
TITLE: Hazardous Waste: Shredder Waste
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/20/2014
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Environmental Quality Committee
HEARING: 04/30/2014 9:30 am

SUMMARY:

Relates to hazardous waste. Repeals the provision requiring the regional boards to prepare a list of landfills. Requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control to adopt regulations to require shredder waste that is derived from automobiles to be managed in accordance with the hazardous waste control laws.

STATUS:

03/06/2014 To SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.

Position: WATCH (04/04/2014)

CA SB 1275

AUTHOR: De Leon (D)
TITLE: Vehicle Retirement: Charge Ahead California Initiative
INTRODUCED: 02/21/2014
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Environmental Quality Committee
HEARING: 04/30/2014 9:30 am

SUMMARY:

Amends existing law that creates an enhanced fleet modernization program. Requires the updated guidelines to ensure there is a mobility option and the compensation for a mobility option be no less than the combination of what the motor vehicle owner would have received as compensation toward a replacement vehicle and the amount of a specified incentive. Establishes the Charge Ahead California Initiative to fund programs and projects; provides programs for electric transportation for certain communities.

STATUS:

04/10/2014 Re-referred to SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.

Position: WATCH (04/04/2014)