

February Update

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Hi Michael and Jon,

Sending over an expanded report to share with the board, but I will plan to attend the meeting tonight and highlight a few bills.

Capitol

Here is the entire list of bills Assemblymember Bryan has introduced so far, a couple are spot bills, so the language isn't specific yet. By mid-March, we will start committee hearings and will have final language.

AB-60	Bryan	Restorative justice program.
AB-61	Bryan	Criminal procedure: arraignments.
AB-93	Bryan	Criminal procedure: consensual searches.
AB-274	Bryan	CalWORKs: CalFresh: eligibility: income exclusions.
AB-364	Bryan	Street furniture data: statewide integrated data platform.
AB-421	Bryan	Initiatives: circulating title and summary.
AB-507	Bryan	Presidential electors.
AB-544	Bryan	Elections: Secretary of State.
AB-745	Bryan	Reentry Housing and Workforce Development Program.
AB-764	Bryan	Elections: city and county redistricting.
AB-819	Bryan	Crimes: public transportation: fare evasion.
AB-825	Bryan	Vehicles: bicycles on sidewalks.
AB-920	Bryan	Discrimination: housing status.
AB-954	Bryan	Dependency: court-ordered services.
AB-1036	Bryan	Health care coverage: emergency medical transport.
AB-1224	Bryan	Environmental justice.

AB-1248	Bryan	Local redistricting: independent redistricting commissions.
ACA-4	Bryan	Elections: eligibility to vote.
HR-11	Bryan	

• Last week, Assemblymember Bryan hosted a press conference on the steps of the capitol to discuss ACA 4. This constitutional amendment would **remove** the 1976 amendment which banned voting for incarcerated people. If the bill passes out of the legislature, it will go to the November ballot. Some notes on this bill:

- o It is supported by Intiate Justice, ACLU NorCal, ACLU Action, League of Women Voters, Anti-Recividism Coalition, and the Ella Baker Center.
- o People with convictions who vote are more engaged:
 - 50% Less likely to be re-arrested
 - · More likely to attend school board meetings
 - More likely to volunteer
- o Today, incarcerated people vote in:
 - Vermont
 - Maine
 - Washington DC
 - Puerto Rico

Canada, Israel, France, Denmark, Japan, Germany, Czech Republic, Kenya, Netherlands, Poland, Peru, Romania, Sweden, Zimbabwe

o LA County already conducts voting in their largest prison for currently eligible incarcerated people.

o Here is the press release.

District

- We've had a lot of calls and comments coming into our office related to the rise in gas bills as well as the Middle Class Tax Refund.
 - The Governor has requested a federal investigation into the extreme price rises and the CPUC voted the California Climate Credit to be sent faster to consumers. Meanwhile, this month's bills should be significantly lower. I believe Senator Skinner's bill to address price gouging is still active, and service providers do provide financial assistance to those who are eligible. Let me know if you'd like direction to those websites.
 - $_{\odot}\,$ If you need assistance with your Middle Class Tax Refund, you can give our office a call.

• A couple people have approached me about concerns over NC meetings returning to in person. (As of last night, I hear that will be pushed to end of March.) There are some Brown Act bills related to this, however Assemblymember Bryan is not authoring any of them. I can follow up on updates if you like. Just let me know.

• I have sent regular follow up emails to CalTrans about the stretch of lights that have been out for a long time over the freeway. This was something Josef in Senator Kamlager's office was the point person on, so I had deferred to him previously. Now, I am organizing a meeting with CalTrans to discuss how we can move forward. It sounds like all of those lights were copper wire theft issues.

• Last week, Assemblymember Bryan visited the Jewish Family Services Pico-Robertson Resource Center as well as the LA Cleantech Incubator. In 2021, Assemblymember Bryan helped secure budget funding for a LACI training hub for electric mobility workforce training in Leimert Park. Both visits acted as checkins on operations.

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