

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

**Senate Transportation and
Housing Committee**

2009 Legislative Bill Summary

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Air Transportation

SB 649 Ashburn

Land transfer to East Kern Airport District

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to transfer, for fair market value, on or before June 30, 2010, ownership of a specified portion of a parcel of land in Kern County acquired for the Mojave Bypass to the East Kern Airport District for open-space purposes. *Signed into law. Chapter 59, Statutes of 2009.*

Abandoned Vehicles, Parking, and Towing

SB 201 Ororpeza

Vehicles: illegal taxicabs

This bill would have established a \$1,250 penalty on the legal owner of a bandit taxicab who releases that taxi to a registered owner who is not licensed to operate a taxi. *Vetoed.*

SB 425 Simitian

Parking cash out: tax deductions

This bill specifies that an employer subject to the parking cash-out law may not deduct the cost of providing parking subsidies from its gross income unless it is in compliance with the law. The bill also provides a tax credit to small businesses in an amount equal to 80 percent of costs incurred for qualified commute reduction expenditures. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

SB 518 Lowenthal

Parking policies

This bill generally prohibits the use of state funds to subsidize parking after January 1, 2011 and provides cities and counties with specified rewards for exceeding 20 points worth of reforms from a points-based menu of alternatives. *Senate Floor.*

SB 728 Lowenthal

Parking cash-out program

This bill allows cities, counties, and air districts to enforce the state's parking cash-out law. *Signed into law. Chapter 359, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 77 Jeffries

Notices of delinquent parking violations

This bill requires a parking violation processing agency to verify that all notices of delinquent parking violations substantially match the corresponding information on the registration of the vehicle and to cancel the parking violation if the information is not a match. The bill also deletes the requirement that a person provide a written request for cancellation of the parking violation to the parking processing agency. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

AB 144 Ma

Disabled parking offenses

This bill provides cities and counties with greater authority to cite disabled parking offenses with civil parking citations, sets minimum penalty amounts for these civil offenses, and extends an existing 10 percent special penalty assessment to additional criminal and civil citations. *Signed into law. Chapter 415, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 213 B. Lowenthal**Left side parking**

This bill would have allowed the City of Long Beach, under specified conditions, to permit parking on the left side of two-way local residential streets that dead-end with no cul-de-sac or other designated turnaround area. *Vetoed.*

AB 515 Hagman**Towing of repossessed vehicles**

This bill makes numerous revisions to the Collateral Recovery Act and other laws relating to the impound of vehicles, including: 1) limiting a repossession agency's liability for damages to a vehicle as a result of electrical failure or specified illegal aftermarket parts; 2) allowing impound of any tow vehicle used to violate the Act; 3) narrowing the definition of lawful experience for qualified managers of repossession agencies; 4) clarifying lighting requirements for towed vehicles and modifying the requirement for multiple safety chains; 5) requiring law enforcement agencies to be open to issue impound releases without the necessity of making an appointment; 6) requiring impound agencies to accept a valid bank credit card or cash; and 7) prohibiting a legal or registered owner from changing the name of the registered owner until a vehicle is released from impound. *Signed into law. Chapter 322, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 519 Duvall**Invoice of towing fees**

This bill requires towing companies to provide consumers with a Towing Fees and Access Notice and an itemized invoice of all towing and storage fees. The bill also specifies who is authorized to retrieve or inspect a towed vehicle and relieves the towing company of responsibility for determining the authenticity of documents provided to demonstrate a person's authority. *Senate Floor.*

AB 1104 Monning**Contested parking violations**

This bill, for purposes of counting the number of days a person has to request an initial review of a notice of parking violation, excludes the period of time between the day a processing agency receives a request for a copy of the original parking violation notice and the day the processing agency complies with the request. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

AB 1155 Strickland**Driving offenses in private parking facilities**

This bill allows cities and counties to enforce additional traffic laws relating to stopping, traffic signs, seat belts, drinking, and loud music in off-street private parking facilities. *Assembly Public Safety Committee.*

AB 1186 Blumenfield**Unbundling of lease parking costs**

This bill would have required a lessor of parking spaces, for any lease entered into on or after January 1, 2011, to provide an employer who is subject to the parking cash-out law with itemized parking costs broken out from all other lease costs. *Vetoed.*

AB 1336 Eng**Photographic enforcement of street sweeping parking violations**

This bill would have allowed a local public agency to issue parking citations for violation of street sweeping parking restrictions based on photographic images collected by an automated parking enforcement system installed on street sweepers. *Vetoed.*

Air Quality, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, and Fuels

SB 124 Oropeza

Air pollution: schoolbus idling and idling at schools

This bill provides that the Air Resources Board (ARB) regulation to limit school bus idling and idling at schools may be enforced by ARB, peace officers, and air districts. The bill further provides that a violation of any provision of that regulation is subject to a minimum civil penalty of \$300, as well as additional civil and criminal penalties as provided under existing law. *Signed into law. Chapter 561, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 183 Lowenthal

Carbon monoxide monitors

This bill requires the owners of all dwellings that are completed or occupied by January 1, 2010 and that have a fossil fuel burning appliance, a fireplace, or an attached garage to install a carbon monoxide device. *Assembly Floor.*

SB 385 Wright

Historic motor vehicles: preservation

This bill exempts “historic vehicles” from the smog check program, provided certain conditions are met. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 435 Pavely

Smog check programs: motorcycles

This bill requires the Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR), beginning January 1, 2012, to incorporate specified motorcycles into the smog check program and provides that BAR shall pay the owner of a motorcycle that fails its smog inspection up to \$500 to retire the motorcycle. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

SB 560 Ashburn

Sustainable community strategies

This bill provides that transportation trips outside of federal lands that are directly related to activities of a federal or state military installation shall not be included in the greenhouse gas emissions inventory for purposes of SB 375 of 2008. The bill also provides that greenhouse gas emission credits for counties and cities that site and permit commercial wind, solar, and biomass projects may be used as credit in the formulation of the sustainable communities strategy or an alternative planning strategy. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

Electrical infrastructure: plug-in hybrid and electric vehicles

SB 626 Kehoe

This bill requires the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with specified parties, to evaluate policies and adopt rules to provide fueling infrastructure for plug-in hybrid and electric vehicles. *Signed into law. Chapter 355, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 318 Emmerson

Bureau of automotive repair: inspection fees

This bill permits the Bureau of Automotive Repair to charge a vehicle owner who applies to participate in a vehicle registration amnesty program a fee of \$160 for each inspection conducted by a referee station as required by the amnesty program. *Signed into law. Chapter 235, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 782 Jeffries**Judicial review of SB 375 decisions**

This bill prohibits judicial review of Air Resources Board approvals of sustainable community strategies (SCS) or alternative planning strategies (APS) and local government decisions regarding consistency with an SCS or APS. The bill also expands the SB 375 of 2008 exemption from CEQA to non-residential projects. *Assembly Natural Resources Committee.*

AB 823 Hill**Smog check: repair assistance**

This bill would have deleted the provision of law that makes vehicle owners whose vehicles have been directed to a test-only smog check station eligible for repair assistance and defines a “low-income motor vehicle owner” as a person whose income does not exceed 225 percent of the federal poverty level. *Vetoed.*

AB 859 Jones**Smog check: annual inspection and repair assistance program**

This bill requires, by January 1, 2011, the Bureau of Automotive Repair to subject vehicles that are 15 years old or older to an annual, rather than a biennial smog inspection. This bill also deletes the provision of law that makes vehicle owners whose vehicles have been directed to a test-only smog check station eligible for repair assistance, increases the maximum repair assistance from \$450 to \$750, and defines a “low-income motor vehicle owner” as a person whose income does not exceed 300 percent of the federal poverty level. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

Sonoma County Regional Climate Authority: greenhouse gas emissions**AB 881 Huffman**

This bill creates the Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Agency to assist local agencies in Sonoma County to meet greenhouse gas reduction goals. *Signed into law. Chapter 375, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 892 Furutani**Goods Movement Emission Reduction Program**

This bill provides that returned or unspent funds received by a local agency from an obligated contract under the Goods Movement Emission Reduction Program may either be awarded to fund other projects listed in the same grant agreement with the Air Resources Board (ARB) or be returned to ARB for reallocation to other projects in the same source category in the same trade corridor. *Signed into law. Chapter 483, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1527 Lieu**Motor vehicle emission reduction projects**

This bill would have made it easier to use funds from multiple state and federal programs to fund an emission reduction project. *Vetoed.*

Building Standards

SB 181 Wright**Definition of code enforcement**

This bill defines the terms “code enforcement” and “code enforcement officer” for purposes of the Health and Safety Code. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 283 DeSaulnier**Building standards for recycled water systems**

This bill extends until December 31, 2009 the requirement for the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to propose building standards for recycled water systems and deletes the condition that DWR receive an appropriation for that purpose. *Signed into law. Chapter 178, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 407 Padilla**Replacement of high-water-using plumbing fixtures**

This bill requires the owner of a commercial or residential property built prior to 1994 to replace all non-water conserving plumbing fixtures with water-conserving fixtures by either 2017 or 2019, depending on the type of property. *Signed into law. Chapter 587, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 210 Hayashi**Green building standards**

This bill clarifies that cities and counties may amend state green building standards if they make a finding that the amendments are reasonably necessary because of local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions. *Signed into law. Chapter 89, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 212 Saldana**Zero net energy buildings**

This bill requires the Energy Commission to adopt building standards that require new residential construction commenced on or after January 1, 2020, or on a date by which the commission determines that the use of photovoltaic technology is cost effective, whichever is later, to use zero net energy. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

California Earthquake Authority:**AB 280 Blakeslee****retrofit programs**

This bill authorizes the California Earthquake Authority to establish a grant or loan program to retrofit “soft-story” buildings, funded with federal stimulus funds. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

AB 433 Ammiano**Building standards: ventilation systems**

This bill requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to develop building standards for ventilation systems in new multifamily residential buildings located within 500 feet of roadways exceeding a specified particulate matter level. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

AB 828 Lieu**Green building standards**

This bill would have required the Buildings Standards Commission to seek and respond to input from specified state agencies when developing green building standards and explicitly authorized the California Energy Commission to adopt voluntary green building standards. *Vetoed.*

AB 1020 Emmerson**Anti-entrapments devices in public pools**

This bill requires that existing public swimming pools be equipped with anti-entrapment devices or systems and that new pools be constructed in a specified manner to prevent entrapment. *Signed into law. Chapter 267, Statutes of 2009.*

Common Interest Developments

SB 259 Benoit

Common interest development elections

This bill provides that if a court voids a board member election in a common interest development, the ruling shall not invalidate actions taken by that board unless the actions themselves were illegal.

Senate Judiciary Committee.

AB 313 Fletcher

Common interest developments: assessments

This bill prohibits a common interest development from basing assessments on the taxable value of the individual units unless the association currently bases assessments on taxable value or pays property taxes on behalf of its members. *Signed into law. Chapter 431, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 899 Torres

Common interest developments: disclosures

This bill creates an index of disclosures required of common interest developments, allows e-mail distribution of these disclosures, and requires a common interest development to include in the existing reserve funding summary the assumed interest rate earned on reserves and the assumed rate of inflation for the repair and replacement of major components. *Signed into law. Chapter 482, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 927 Calderon

Common interest developments: construction defects

This bill extends the sunset from July 1, 2010 to July 1, 2017 on the pre-litigation dispute resolution processes and procedures that apply before a common interest development (CID) may commence a design or construction defect action against a builder, developer, or general contractor of a CID of 20 or more units. *Signed into law. Chapter 7, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1061 Lieu

Common interest developments: water-efficient landscapes

This bill provides that a provision in the governing documents of a common interest development is void if it prohibits low water-using plants, water-efficient landscape, or compliance with water conservation measures adopted by a water provider. *Signed into law. Chapter 503, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1246 Jones

Workforce housing cooperative trust

This bill provides for a new type of limited-equity housing cooperative known as a “workforce housing cooperative trust” and establishes new procedures and standards for the dissolution of both limited-equity housing cooperatives and workforce housing cooperatives. *Signed into law. Chapter 520, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1328 Salas

Common interest developments: contracts

This bill would have allowed a homeowners’ association of a common interest development to enter into a contract of up to five years for a water or energy efficiency program under specified conditions. *Vetoed.*

Driver Licensing

SB 60 Cedillo

Vehicles: drivers' licenses

This bill requires California to comply with the federal Real ID Act of 2005, a measure that establishes standards for the issuance of drivers' licenses and identification cards that may be used by federal agencies for official purposes. In complying with the Real ID Act, this bill requires DMV to issue two types of drivers' licenses and identification cards: 1) cards that may be used for official federal purposes, and 2) for persons who are not able to demonstrate legal presence status, cards that may not. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

AB 508 Torlakson

Provisional drivers' licenses

This bill requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to collect an additional fee of \$10 for each provisional license application. The bill also creates the Young Driver Education and Safety Fund to support the Young Driver Education and Safety Fund Advisory Group, as established by the bill, and to provide grants to local educational agencies to provide driver education and training programs in public schools. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

AB 1014 Galgiani

Drivers' licenses: farmers

This bill permits the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue a restricted Class A or restricted Class B driver's license for the operation of any vehicle in the production, harvesting, or transportation of silage in specified counties and in conformance with federal law. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

AB 1220 Huffman

Vehicles: supervised driving: young drivers

This bill requires that a driver supervising the driving of someone with an instruction permit have his or her license for at least one year. This bill also requires, by January 1, 2011, persons who are 18 to 24 years of age who apply for an original driver's license to complete 50 hours of supervised driving practice before being issued the license. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

Housing Programs and Finance

SB 16 Lowenthal

Low-income housing tax credits

This bill makes state low-income housing tax credits awarded in late 2008, 2009, and 2010 refundable and allows for the bifurcation of state and federal credits awarded in late 2008. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

SB 194 Florez

Disadvantaged unincorporated communities

This bill provides incentives to local governments to address infrastructure deficiencies in disadvantaged unincorporated communities. Among other things, the bill 1) conditions the receipt of state Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program funds on a city or county certifying that it has amended its general plan to identify such communities and their deficiencies and commit to a program of actions to address the deficiencies; 2) requires CDBG entitlement jurisdictions to expend CDBG funds within each supervisorial or city council district based on the percentage of low- and

moderate-income persons within each district and ensure that no less than 75 percent of the funds benefit low-income households; and 3) requires Caltrans to use benefit to disadvantaged communities as a scoring factor in the Safe Routes to Schools Program. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

SB 224 Correa

**CalHome mobilehome rehabilitation and
CalHFA downpayment assistance**

This bill clarifies that CalHome funds may be used for the rehabilitation of mobilehomes and accessory structures to meet new state building code requirements to install fire resistant exteriors in specified circumstances. The bill also allows the California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA), in specified circumstances, to subordinate a downpayment assistance loan made through the California Homeownership Downpayment Assistance Program in order for the homeowner to refinance a mortgage. *Signed into law. Chapter 172, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 450 Lowenthal

Federal Housing Trust Fund

This bill dedicates funds that California receives from the federal Housing Trust Fund primarily to the Department of Housing and Community Development's Multifamily Housing Program, except that the Legislature may appropriate up to 10% of the funds to the CalHome Program. *This bill was later amended to address a different subject matter.*

SB 500 Steinberg

Affordable housing: permanent revenue source

This bill expresses the intent of the Legislature to provide a permanent source of revenue for affordable housing. *Senate Rules Committee.*

SB 501 Correa

California Debt Limit Allocation Committee

This bill clarifies that the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee may allow a local agency to apply for an allocation of the state's private activity bond authority whether or not the county in which that local agency is located has applied. *Assembly Floor.*

SB 575 Steinberg

SB 375 cleanup

This bill cleans up three provisions of SB 375 of 2008: 1) the exemption for transportation sales tax projects; 2) the rezoning requirement under housing element law; and, 3) housing element due dates generally and the due date in the San Diego region specifically. The bill also clarifies a provision of SB 732 of 2008 regarding the open meeting requirements applicable to the Strategic Growth Council. *Signed into law. Chapter 354, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 595 Cedillo

**Homeless Veterans Housing and
Supportive Services Act of 2010**

This bill places before voters at the November 2, 2010 election a \$1.5 billion general obligation bond measure to provide supportive housing for extremely low-income veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

SB 608 Ducheny**Proposition 46 and 1C reports**

This bill requires that cumulative information on programs funded under the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Acts of 2002 and 2006 be included in the Department of Housing and Community Development's annual report. *Assembly Floor.*

SB 622 Lowenthal**Bifurcation of low- income housing tax credits**

This bill allows for the bifurcation of state and federal low-income housing tax credits awarded in late 2008. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

SB 813 Kehoe**Deferred payment future value loans**

This bill would have authorized the Department of Housing and Community Development to allow funds made available to support homeownership developments through the CalHome, BEGIN, HOME, and Farmworker Housing Grant programs to be used to make a deferred payment loan to a homebuyer in excess of the home's appraised value which would be repaid only through a future increase in the value of the home. *Vetoed.*

AB 290 Davis**Neighborhood Stabilization Program grants**

This bill declares the intent of the Legislature to direct a portion of state Neighborhood Stabilization Program funding in a manner that fosters the training and employment of at-risk and foster youth, ex-offenders, and other disenfranchised populations in the building and green-collar trades and that provides affordable, energy-efficient housing for low- to moderate-income households. *Assembly Rules Committee.*

AB 498 Hayashi**Affordable housing: veterans**

This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs in collaboration with the Department of Housing and Community Development annually to prepare a study evaluating the most effective ways to increase the supply of affordable housing for military veterans and their families. The bill also allows, subject to voter approval, Cal-Vet bond funds to be used for the purpose of making available to veterans affordable, multifamily rental housing. *Assembly Veterans Affairs Committee.*

AB 570 Arambula**Local Housing Trust Fund Matching Grant Program**

This bill makes various changes to the Local Housing Trust Fund Matching Grant Program to facilitate access to program funds for newly established housing trusts in smaller counties. *Signed into law. Chapter 455, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 650 Hill**Prop 1C funds for Half Moon Bay**

This bill requires the state to loan the City of Half Moon Bay \$10 million, including \$2.5 million from the Proposition 1C Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account, for the purchase of the Beechwood property. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

AB 702 Salas**Emergency Housing and Assistance Fund**

This bill requires the Department of Housing and Community Development each year to set aside a portion of Emergency Housing Assistance Program - Operations Grant funds that is equal to the percentage of veterans within the homeless population for veterans-only projects or projects that give preference to veterans. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

AB 767 Ammiano**Extension of Proposition 1C setaside**

This bill extends the setaside of Proposition 1C funds for the Homeless Youth and BEGIN Programs by two years. *Signed into law. Chapter 123, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 776 Salas**Veterans**

This bill require the Department of Veterans Affairs to urge Congress to remove the limitation on using qualified veterans mortgage bonds for anything other than single-family housing. *Assembly Veterans Affairs Committee.*

AB 841 Fuentes**Low-income housing tax credits:
City of Los Angeles**

This bill requires the Tax Credit Allocation Committee to allocate a portion low-income housing tax credits to the City of Los Angeles. *Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

AB 897 Torres**Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program**

This bill establishes the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program within the Department of Housing and Community Development for the purpose of distributing federal stimulus funds. *Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

AB 1051 Fletcher**VA Pooled Self-Insurance Fund**

This bill consolidates the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Home Loan Program's four insurance reserve funds into the Pooled Self-Insurance Fund and allows the VA to purchase insurance related to the Program from the monies appropriated from the Pooled Fund. *Signed into law. Chapter 502, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1065 Gilmore**Farmworker housing tax credits**

As introduced, this bill would have increased the setaside for farmworker housing within the low-income housing tax credit program from \$500,000 to \$1 million per year. This bill was later amended to modify the recapture period for farmworker housing tax credits issued prior to 2009 [See also AB 1554]. *Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

AB 1076 Jones**Infill Infrastructure Grant Program awards**

This bill allows the Department of Housing and Community Development to extend the deadline by which an Infill Infrastructure Grant Program grantee must encumber all award funds if the project is affected by the state's take of redevelopment funds. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

AB 1177 Fong**Interagency Council on Homelessness**

This bill establishes an Interagency Council on Homelessness and prescribes the membership and duties of the Council. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

AB 1330 Salas**Veterans' cooperative housing**

This bill allows the Department of Veterans Affairs to establish a pilot project for the purpose of operating one cooperative housing project restricted to veterans and their families. *Signed into law. Chapter 524, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1332 Salas**Possessory interests on military housing**

This bill expands the possessory interest exemption currently provided to operators of family housing on military bases to include non-family housing, such as bachelor quarters and barracks, and strengthens existing-law requirements that all property tax savings be used for the benefit of residents. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

AB 1344 Fletcher**Possessory interests on military housing**

This bill modifies the criteria that must be met for a private contractor's long-term lease of military housing to be excluded from classification as a possessory interest subject to property taxation. *Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee.*

Qualified mortgage lender loans: terms and conditions**AB 1432 Mendoza**

This bill allows the California Housing Finance Agency to use federal Troubled Asset Relief Program funds to make or refinance acquisition, construction, or development loans for housing developments or residential structures affordable to households earning up to 200% of the area median income. *Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

AB 1459 Davis**Veteran preference in supportive housing**

This bill allows housing developers receiving funding under the Department of Housing and Community Development's Supportive Housing Program to restrict occupancy based on veteran status in any supportive housing, provided that after the initial occupancy no units remain vacant for more than 120 days. *Signed into law. Chapter 533, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1522 V. Perez**Proposition 1C preference for projects using at-risk youth**

This bill would have required the Department of Housing and Community Development to give priority funding consideration to developers who work with organizations that provide training for at-risk youth. *This bill was amended to address a different subject matter.*

AB 1529 Salas**Community Stabilization Home Loan Program**

This bill authorizes the California Housing Finance Agency to continue use of the Community Stabilization Home Loan Program and to place specified restrictions on the eligibility of properties. *Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

AB 1554 Assembly J., E.D.,&E**Low-income housing tax credits**

This bill modifies the recapture period for farmworker housing tax credits issued prior to 2009 [see also AB 1065] and applies a 15-year recapture provision to all state low-income housing tax credits awarded in the future. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

AB 1556 Assembly J., E.D.,&E**CDBG Program**

This bill defines “qualified financial intermediary” for purposes of the Community Development Block Grant Program. *Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

AB3X 83 Skinner**Proposition 1C appropriation for
the CalREUSE Program**

This bill appropriates an unspecified sum from the Proposition 1C Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account to the California Pollution Control Financing Authority for purposes of providing loans and grants under the California Recycle Underutilized Sites Program. *Assembly Rules Committee.*

Landlord /Tenant and Fair Housing**SB 290 Leno****Sunset removal for 6-day notices**

This bill deletes the sunset date on the law requiring a landlord to provide a 60-day prior notice to terminating a residential tenancy if the tenant has resided in the unit for a year or more. *Signed into law. Chapter 347, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 331 Hall**Disclosure of foreclosure actions**

This bill requires a landlord of a single-family or 2-4 unit building to disclose foreclosure related actions to a prospective tenant before the execution of a rental agreement. *Senate Judiciary Committee.*

AB 473 Blumenfield**Recycling in multifamily complexes**

This bill would have required an owner of a multifamily dwelling to provide recycling services subject to certain exemptions. *Vetoed.*

AB 530 Krekorian**DA evictions for controlled
substances and firearms**

This bill extends until 2014 two pilot programs allowing city attorneys and prosecutors in participating cities to bring eviction proceedings against a tenant for unlawful activities regarding firearms, ammunition, or controlled substances. *Signed into law. Chapter 244, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 985 De La Torre**Removal of restrictive covenants**

This bill would have allowed a title insurance company, escrow company, real estate broker, real estate agent, or other person to record a Restrictive Covenant Modification and required the county recorder to notify the owner of the property of the request. *Vetoed.*

AB 1171 Ammiano**Ellis Act**

This bill allows a city or county with a rent control ordinance, in the event that a property owner invokes the Ellis Act to remove rental units from the market, to provide all tenants, as opposed to just the senior tenant, with one-year to vacate if any tenant meets the existing senior citizen qualifications. *Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

Land Use

SB 215 Wiggins

LAFCOs and sustainable community strategies

This bill adds regional transportation plans, including sustainable community strategies and alternative planning strategies, to the list of factors that local agency formation commissions must consider before making boundary decisions. *Signed into law. Chapter 570, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 326 Strickland

Housing elements

As introduced, this bill would have required cities and counties to include within the housing needs assessment portion of their housing elements a quantification of their existing and projected foreclosure rates and an analysis of the impact of foreclosures on housing needs. This bill was later amended to allow a city or county to satisfy any additional housing need that has rolled over from the previous planning pursuant to AB 1233 of 2005 by identifying sites in its inventory, in addition to through rezoning. *Assembly Local Government Committee.*

SB 406 DeSaulnier

Land use: environmental quality

This bill would have authorized a \$1 or \$2 surcharge on vehicle registrations to pay for regional land use planning activities. This bill also would have made changes to the membership, duties, and funding of the Office of Planning and Research's Planning Advisory and Assistance Council. *Vetoed.*

SB 705 Lowenthal

Infill opportunity zones

This bill would have deleted the sunset on the authority for a city or county to designate an infill opportunity zone, which is exempt from level-of-service standards. *This bill was amended to address a different subject matter.*

SB 812 Ashburn

Housing elements and the developmentally disabled

This bill requires cities and counties to assess and address in their housing elements the housing needs of persons with autism spectrum disorders and requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to prepare a statewide report on the housing needs of this population. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

AB 300 Caballero

Subdivisions: water supply

This bill allows a developer to reduce the water supply assessment mandated by SB 221 and SB 610 of 2001 by the amount of voluntary demand management measures that will be permanently fixed to the property. *Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee.*

AB 333 Fuentes

Subdivision maps: expiration dates

This bill extends the expiration date for a tentative map issued to a developer by 24 months, provided the approval date has not expired when the bill takes effect. *Signed into law. Chapter 18, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 558 Portantino

Housing elements: foster youth placement

This bill allows a city to reduce its regional housing need allocation by 10% if it adopts a program to actively promote and assist in the placement of foster youth in existing family-based households. *Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

AB 596 Evans**Community planning grants**

This bill authorizes the Strategic Growth Council to issue competitive loans and grants for community planning projects that improve sustainability and livability by reducing contributions to global warming. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

AB 602 Evans**Housing element statute of limitations**

This bill restores the ability of parties bringing a housing element action in support of affordable housing to send a 60-day deficiency notice at any time during the planning period and to file a lawsuit within one year of the expiration of the notice. *Senate Rules Committee.*

AB 666 Jones**Subdivision maps in fire zones**

This bill would have required a board of supervisors to make three specified findings before approving a tentative map or a parcel map in a state responsibility area or a very high fire hazard severity zone. *Vetoed.*

AB 720 Caballero**Housing elements: rehabilitation credit**

This bill allows a city or county to meet up to 25% of its housing need allocation through the acquisition, preservation, or substantial rehabilitation of affordable housing units for which the city or county has committed financial assistance in the two years prior to the beginning of the housing element planning period, in addition to during the first two years of the planning period. *Signed into law. Chapter 467, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 782 Jeffries**Judicial review of SB 375 decisions**

This bill prohibits judicial review of Air Resources Board approvals of sustainable community strategies (SCS) or alternative planning strategies (APS) and local government decisions regarding consistency with an SCS or APS. The bill also expands the SB 375 of 2008 exemption from CEQA to non-residential projects. *Assembly Natural Resources Committee.*

AB 1158 Hayashi**Transit village plans**

This bill would have added educational facilities and other land uses that link people traveling to and from schools, community colleges, and universities to the list of characteristics that a city or county may address in a transit village plan. *Vetoed.*

AB 1204 Huber**SB 375 CEQA exemption**

This bill would have expanded the SB 375 (2008) exemption from CEQA to non-residential projects. *This bill was amended to address a different subject matter.*

Manufactured Housing

SB 23 Padilla**Manufactured Housing: emergency preparedness plans**

This bill requires an owner or operator of a mobilehome park or a recreational vehicle park to adopt and post an emergency preparedness plan. *Signed into law. Chapter 551, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 111 Correa**Mobilehome Residency Law**

This bill non-substantively reorganizes the utility provisions of the Mobilehome Residency Law. *Signed into law. Chapter 558, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 166 Runner**Special occupancy parks: campers**

This bill would have allowed occupancy of a camper that is dismounted from a pick-up truck in a special occupancy park provided special requirements are met. *Vetoed.*

SB 224 Correa**CalHome mobilehome rehabilitation and
CalHFA downpayment assistance**

This bill clarifies that CalHome funds may be used for the rehabilitation of mobilehomes and accessory structures to meet new state building code requirements to install fire resistant exteriors in specified circumstances. The bill also allows the California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA), in specified circumstances, to subordinate a downpayment assistance loan made through the California Homeownership Downpayment Assistance Program in order for the homeowner to refinance a mortgage. *Signed into law. Chapter 172, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 398 Correa**Mobilehome parks: fire code enforcement**

This bill makes changes to fire prevention code enforcement in mobilehome parks. *Signed into law. Chapter 586, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 804 Leno**Manufactured housing sales**

This bill prohibits the management of a mobilehome park from requiring a homeowner to use a specific broker, dealer, or other person as an agent in the purchase or installation of a replacement home. *Signed into law. Chapter 66, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 481 Ma**Mobilehome rent control: principal residence**

This bill provides that a mobilehome in a mobilehome park that is not the principal residence of the homeowner is exempt from a local rent control ordinance regardless of whether the home is rented to another party or not. *Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

AB 566 Nava**Mobilehome parks: conversion**

This bill would have allowed a local government to consider the level of support that a subdivider's survey demonstrates when approving or disapproving a mobilehome park conversion to resident ownership. *Vetoed.*

AB 761 Calderon**Mobilehome vacancy decontrol**

This bill applies vacancy decontrol to local rent control ordinances related to manufactured housing. *Senate Rules Committee.*

AB 869 Mendoza**Mobilehome parks: certified
mobilehome park manager**

This bill would have established a program of certification for mobilehome park managers. *Failed passage in the Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.*

Omnibus Bills

SB 165 Lowenthal

Vehicles: parking violation

This bill applies the minimum and maximum fine amounts that relate to criminal parking citations to civil parking citations. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

SB 251 Senate T.&H.

Housing omnibus bill

This bill makes non-controversial changes to sections of law relating to housing. *Signed into law. Chapter 632, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 734 Lowenthal

Transportation

This bill is the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee's transportation omnibus bill, which makes several clean-up, clarifying, and non-controversial changes to law. *Signed into law. Chapter 200, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 282 Assembly Transportation

Transportation

This bill is the Assembly Transportation Committee's omnibus bill, which makes clarifying, technical, and non-controversial changes to sections of law relating to transportation. *Signed into law. Chapter 229, Statutes of 2009.*

Outdoor Advertising

SB 336 Correa

Advertising displays

This bill states that the prohibition against the advertising of products, goods, or services directed at an adult population, which was established by AB 2339 of 2008, does not apply to food or beverage products consumed on the premises of an arena, if those products were advertised prior to July 1, 2008. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 567 Dutton

Outdoor advertising displays

This bill authorizes the placement of an advertising display adjacent to a section of landscaped freeway by a city, county, or public education facility according to specified conditions. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 690 Leno

Outdoor advertising

This bill eases the circumstances under which a governmental entity may, without payment of just compensation, order the removal of signs that were not erected in conformance with laws and ordinances in effect at the time of their erection and signs that were in conformance but have subsequently been altered in violation of their building permit. *Senate Judiciary Committee.*

AB 109 Feuer

Outdoor advertising: digital displays and supergraphics

This bill would have: 1) prohibited an outdoor advertising display from being constructed as, modified, or converted into a digital advertising display unless the permitting authority follows specified procedures; 2) prohibited, until January 1, 2012, a highway changeable message sign from displaying messages other than those necessary for traffic operations or public safety; and 3) prohibited the installation of supergraphics, as defined, until the State Fire Marshall promulgates regulations

governing their use. This bill also would have imposed a civil penalty of \$3,500 for each day a sign is in violation of the standards established by the bill and required that a sign owner disgorge any profits gained while a sign was in violation. *Failed passage in the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee.*

Ports and Goods Movement

SB 632 Lowenthal

Ports: congestion relief: air pollution mitigation

This bill requires the ports of Los Angeles, Long Beach, and Oakland to assess their infrastructure and air quality improvement needs, including assessing the total cost for these projects and identifying potential sources of funding for them, and to provide the assessment to the Legislature by July 1, 2010. *Assembly Floor.*

Rail and Mass Transportation

SB 409 Ducheny

Department of Railroads

This bill creates a Department of Railroads in the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

SB 455 Lowenthal

High-speed rail

This bill provides the High-Speed Rail Authority with certain eminent domain powers, establishes a policy for prioritizing investments, and provides a process for reporting on the progress of the high-speed rail project. *Assembly Floor.*

SB 526 Ashburn

Intercity rail: San Joaquin Corridor

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to ensure the operation of at least one Amtrak train on the San Joaquin route that terminates in San Francisco. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

SB 783 Ashburn

High-speed rail

This bill establishes additional requirements for the High-Speed Rail Authority's business plan. *Signed into law. Chapter 618, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 116 Beall

Transportation authorities and districts: contracts

This bill increases the minimum value for which the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, Santa Clara Valley Transit Authority, and the San Mateo County Transit District must award bids to the lowest responsible bidder from \$25,000 to \$100,000. This bill also increases the minimum value for which the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District must award bids to the lowest responsible bidder from \$20,000 to \$100,000. *Signed into law. Chapter 408, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 153 Ma

High-Speed Rail Authority

This bill clarifies the High-Speed Rail Authority's (HSRA) ability to exercise eminent domain power, authorizes the HSRA to employ its own legal staff or to contract with other state agencies for legal services, and makes changes to the HSRA's authority governing project development. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

AB 652 Skinner**Vehicles: length limitation**

This bill authorizes AC Transit to extend the length of its buses by four inches in order for a bike rack capable of carrying three bicycles to be mounted on the front of its busses. *Signed into law. Chapter 369, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 733 Galgiani**High-Speed Rail Authority**

This bill would have made the number of jobs created in California a criterion for awarding contracts to suppliers of equipment to the High-Speed Rail Authority. *Vetoed.*

Public transportation: Solano**AB 1219 Evans****Transportation Authority**

This bill authorizes the Solano Transportation Authority to file a claim for Transportation Development Act revenue. *Signed into law. Chapter 143, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1375 Galgiani**High-speed rail**

This bill repeals and reenacts the California High-Speed Train Act by: 1) continuing the High-Speed Rail Authority (HSRA) in existence to make policy decisions relative to implementation of high-speed rail consistent with Proposition 1A; 2) creating the Department of High-Speed Trains (HST) within the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, which would implement those policies; 3) transferring certain existing powers and responsibilities of HSRA to HST; and 4) specifying additional powers and duties of HSRA and HST relative to implementation of the high-speed rail project, including the annual submission of a 6-year high-speed train capital improvement program and progress report to the Legislature. The bill also provides that the director of HST is appointed by HSRA and serves at the pleasure of HSRA and authorizes the Governor to appoint up to 10 executive employees of HST who are exempt from civil service and serve at the pleasure of the director. Lastly, the bill provides for acquisition and disposition by HST of rights-of-way for the high-speed rail project. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

Procurement: Los Angeles County Metropolitan**AB 1471 Eng****Transportation Authority**

This bill corrects provisions governing Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (LACMTA) procurement authority, delegates authority to LACMTA's Board of Directors for specific procurement activities, and authorizes LACMTA to participate in public auctions, such as those conducted on the internet and with public agencies. *Signed into law. Chapter 536, Statutes of 2009.*

Redevelopment and Enterprise Zones

SB 68 Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee**SERAF cleanup**

This bill amends AB4x 26 of 2009 to allow a redevelopment agency to borrow any funds in its Low and Moderate Income Housing (L&M) Fund, as opposed to just revenues allocated to the L&M Fund in that fiscal year, in order to make its required payment to the Supplemental Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund. The bill also allows the Director of Finance to use the 2007-08 edition of the Controller's Community Redevelopment Agencies Annual Report, as opposed to the 2006-07 edition, for purposes of calculating each agency's required payment. [See also AB 182.] *Assembly Floor.*

SB 477 Florez**Employment: heat illness prevention**

This bill would have clarified that a redevelopment agency may use its low-and moderate-income housing funds to finance the purchase of low-income housing tax credits. *This bill was amended to address a different subject matter.*

AB 182 Assembly Budget Committee**SERAf cleanup**

This bill amends AB4x 26 of 2009 to allow a redevelopment agency to borrow any funds in its Low and Moderate Income Housing (L&M) Fund, as opposed to just revenues allocated to the L&M Fund in that fiscal year, in order to make its required payment to the Supplemental Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund. The bill also allows the Director of Finance to use the 2007-08 edition of the Controller's Community Redevelopment Agencies Annual Report, as opposed to the 2006-07 edition, for purposes of calculating each agency's required payment. [See also SB 68.] *Senate Floor.*

AB 338 Ma**Infrastructure financing districts: transit villages**

This bill would have allowed a city or county to create an infrastructure financing district (IFD) within ½ mile of a transit station without voter approval. Such IFD's would be subject to redevelopment-like housing obligations, including a requirement that at least 20% of tax increment revenues be dedicated to increase, improve, and preserve the transit village district's supply of affordable housing. *Vetoed.*

AB 1139 Perez**Enterprise zone hiring credits**

This bill revises the eligibility, calculation, redemption, and reporting requirements associated with a claim for a hiring credit in an enterprise zone, including: 1) differentiating between qualified wages that include health benefits and those that do not; 2) eliminating the use of targeted employment areas; and 3) eliminating retroactive voucherizing. *Assembly Jobs, Economic Development and Economy Committee.*

AB 1422 Bass**Redevelopment**

This bill would have allowed a redevelopment agency until 2013 to use its economic development funds to address the mortgage crisis. *This bill was amended to address another subject matter.*

AB 1554 Assembly J., E.D.,&E**Economic development omnibus bill**

This bill resets the date and frequency for the Department of Housing and Community Development to report to the Legislature on the effect of the enterprise zone program and makes other technical changes to economic development area statutes. *This bill was amended to address a different subject matter.*

AB3X 82 Blakeslee**Enterprise zones**

This bill designates the NUMMI plant in Fremont as an enterprise zone and allows the Department of Housing and Community Development, until January 1, 2010, to designate an additional ten enterprise zones. *Assembly Rules Committee.*

AB4X 26 Assembly Budget Committee**Redevelopment funds: Supplemental Education Revenue Augmentation Fund**

This bill redirects \$2.05 billion of redevelopment property tax increment revenues in 2009-10 and 2010-11 to K-12 school districts serving redevelopment areas. Redevelopment agencies may suspend

contributions to the low- and moderate-income housing fund in 2009-10 or borrow from the L&M fund in either year, provided that all suspensions or loans are repaid with five years. *Chapter 21, Statutes of 2009-2010 Fourth Extraordinary Session.*

Resolutions

SCR 4 DeSaulnier

Senator Daniel E. Boatwright Highway

This resolution designates State Route (SR) 680 between the Benicia-Martinez Bridge and SR 24 in Contra Costa County as the Senator Daniel E. Boatwright Highway. *Resolution Chapter 69, Statutes of 2009.*

Marine Corporal Christopher D. Leon Memorial Highway

SCR 5 Runner

This resolution designates a segment of State Route 14 in the City of Lancaster as the Marine Corporal Christopher D. Leon Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 70, Statutes of 2009.*

SCR 9 Wiggins

The James F. McManus Memorial Bridge

This resolution designates the Salmon Creek Bridge on State Route 101 in Humboldt County as the James F. McManus Memorial Bridge. *Resolution Chapter 71, Statutes of 2009.*

SCR 12 Dutton

Steve Faris Memorial Highway

This resolution designates State Route 330 in the County of San Bernardino as the Steve Faris Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 72, Statutes of 2009.*

SCR 30 Simitian

Betty Meltzer Memorial Highway

This resolution names a portion of State Route 82 in the City of Palo Alto as the Betty Meltzer Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 74, Statutes of 2009.*

SCR 37 Wiggins

The Silverado Trail

This measure designates a portion of State Route 29 in Napa County as the Silverado Trail. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SCR 50 Cox

CHP Officer Raymond Carpenter Memorial Interchange

This measure designates the Rocklin Road interchange on Interstate 80 in Placer-County as the CHP Officer Raymond Carpenter Memorial Interchange. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

ACR 12 Blakeslee

National Purple Heart Trail

This resolution designates a segment of State Route 101 in Monterey, San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties for inclusion in the National Purple Heart Trail. *Resolution Chapter 84, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 15 Furutani

John Sanford Todd Memorial Highway

This resolution names a segment of Interstate 605 in Los Angeles County as the John Sanford Todd Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 76, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 20 B. Berryhill**Sergeant Howard K. Stevenson Memorial Interchange**

This resolution designates the interchange between State Route 99 and Whitmore Avenue in the City of Ceres as the Sergeant Howard K. Stevenson Memorial Interchange. *Resolution Chapter 77, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 24 Carter**John Knabenbauer Fifth Street Bridge**

This measure designates the Fifth Street Bridge, which crosses Interstate 215 in San Bernardino, as the John Knabenbauer Fifth Street Bridge. *Resolution Chapter 66, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 30 Mendoza**Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff
David Powell Memorial Highway**

This resolution designates a portion of State Route 91 in Los Angeles County as the Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff David Powell Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 47, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 33 Jeffries**Deputy Kent Hintergardt Memorial Highway**

This resolution designates a segment of State Route 15 in Riverside County as the Deputy Kent Hintergardt Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 89, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 34 Furutani**The Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff
Maria Cecilia Rosa Memorial Highway**

This resolution designates a portion of State Route 710 in Los Angeles County as the Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff Maria Cecilia Rosa Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 48, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 36 Conway**Greatest Generation Memorial Highway**

This resolution designates a segment of State Route 63 in the City of Visalia as the Greatest Generation Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 78, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 48 Gilmore**Deputy James Thorne Memorial Highway**

This resolution designates State Route 184 in Kern County as the Deputy James Throne Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 80, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 60 Gilmore**The Medal of Honor Recipient
Larry Stanley Pierce Memorial Highway**

This resolution designates the portion of State Route 46 within the city limits of Wasco in Kern County as the Medal of Honor Recipient Larry Stanley Pierce Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 68, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 61 Villines**Deputy David G. Graves Memorial Freeway**

This resolution names a segment of State Route 41 in Fresno and Madera counties as the Deputy David G. Graves Memorial Freeway. *Resolutions Chapter 90, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 71 Nielsen**Milton La Malfa Memorial Highway**

This resolution designates the portion of State Route 99 between Oroville Dam Boulevard West and Nelson Avenue in Oroville as the Milton La Malfa Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 107, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 78 Buchanan**CHP Officer John P. Miller Memorial Highway**

This resolution designates the portion of State Route 580 from Airway Boulevard to North Flynn Road in Livermore as the CHP Officer John P. Miller Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 110, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 79 Hayashi**Sergeant Daniel Sakai Memorial Highway**

This resolution designates the segment of State Route 580 between Strobridge Avenue and East Castro Valley Boulevard in Castro Valley as the Sergeant Daniel Sakai Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 111, Statutes of 2009.*

ACR 94 C. Calderon**CHP Officer Joseph P. Sanders Memorial Highway**

This resolution designates a segment of State Route 60 in Los Angeles County as the CHP Officer Joseph P. Sanders Memorial Highway. *Resolution Chapter 116, Statutes of 2009.*

Rules of the Road

SB 159 Simitian**Move Over Law**

This bill makes permanent the “move over” law, which prescribes actions that drivers must take on a freeway when passing a stopped emergency vehicle or tow truck with its warning lights flashing and prescribes when a tow truck may display its flashing amber lights on a freeway. *Signed into law. Chapter 33, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 177 Lowenthal**Vehicles: child passengers**

This bill provides that a child who is six years of age or younger or who weighs less than 60 pounds may be seated in the front seat of a vehicle when all of the back seats are already occupied by children under age eight. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

SB 240 Wright**Move Over Law: Caltrans**

This bill makes permanent the “move over” law, which prescribes actions that drivers must take on a freeway when passing a stopped emergency vehicle or tow truck with its warning lights flashing. This bill also applies the move over law to Department of Transportation vehicles. *Signed into law. Chapter 175, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 527 Kehoe**Bicycles**

This bill allows a person to operate on a highway a bicycle that does not have a seat, provided the bicycle was specifically designed by the manufacturer to be ridden without a seat. *Signed into law. Chapter 594, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 570 Maldonado**Prima facie speed limits**

This bill would have established a prima facie speed limit of 40 miles per hour for any roadway where the residential density is eight residential units or more fronting the street over a distance of one-quarter of a mile. *This bill was held in the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee pending an interim hearing on setting speed limits and was subsequently amended to address a different subject matter.*

SB 615 Ashburn**Vehicles: off-highway motor vehicles**

This bill authorizes a local jurisdiction to close its streets to regular vehicular traffic and instead allow off-highway motor vehicles to use those streets. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

AB 62 Portantino**Vehicles: television broadcast
or video signal displays**

This bill permits a person to drive a motor vehicle if a video screen displaying a video signal or television broadcast is operating in the front seat area under specified conditions. *Signed into law. Chapter 73, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 134 Blakeslee**Vehicles: off -highway motor vehicles**

The bill prohibits a parent, guardian, or other authorized adult from granting permission or knowingly allowing a child who is under age 14 to operate an off-highway motor vehicle on which the child cannot reach the controls necessary to operate the vehicle safely. *Signed into law. Chapter 414, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 145 DeLeon**Motor carriers: construction
transportation brokers**

This bill prohibits a broker of construction trucking services, from contracting or engaging the services of a motor carrier of property that is out of compliance with existing law. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

AB 237 Carter**Vehicles: inspection of loads**

This bill allows a police officer, sheriff, or sheriff's deputy to stop, inspect, and take custody of the load of a vehicle transporting timber, livestock, poultry, farm produce, crude oil, petroleum products, metal and metal alloy products, or inedible kitchen grease. *Senate Public Safety Committee.*

AB 463 Tran**Vehicles: hazardous materials**

This bill allows the California Highway Patrol to issue a license to a transporter of hazardous materials after the licensee has failed an inspection, provided that the licensee has corrected the reason for the failure. *Signed into law. Chapter 111, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 564 Portantino**Speed limits**

This bill would have changed the definition of a local street or road for purposes of setting and enforcing *prima facie* speed limits in the City of Pasadena. *This bill was amended to address a different subject matter.*

AB 636 Jones**Charter-party carriers: busdrivers**

This bill prohibits a person from driving any kind of bus for five years if the person drove a charter bus without having been issued the proper driver's license, endorsement, or certificate to do so. The bill also permanently bans a business from operating as a charter bus company if the business knowingly employed such a driver or the business operated without a current permit from the Public Utilities Commission. *Signed into law. Chapter 248, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 766 **Krekorian**

Speed limits

This bill allows a local authority to retain a *prima facie* speed limit on any street other than a state highway without rejustifying the speed limit with an engineering and traffic survey, if the local authority makes a finding, after a public hearing, that a higher speed limit is not the most appropriate for the orderly movement of traffic and does not promote a safe environment for the neighborhood or pedestrians. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

AB 987 Ma

Vehicles: automated speed enforcement

This bill authorizes a city or county, until January 1, 2015, to establish a program utilizing an automated speed enforcement system if specified conditions are met. This bill also requires a city or county that adopts an automated speed enforcement program to submit a specified report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2015 regarding the efficacy of the program. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

AB 1155 Strickland

Driving offenses in private parking facilities

This bill allows cities and counties to enforce additional traffic laws relating to stopping, traffic signs, seat belts, drinking, and loud music in offstreet private parking facilities. *Assembly Public Safety Committee.*

AB 1205 Logue

Vehicles: motorcycles: safety helmets: exceptions

AB 1203 Logue Exceptions
This bill exempts from the requirement to wear a safety helmet while operating a motorcycle a driver who is 18 years of age or older who has either completed a motorcyclist safety training program or who has held a class M1 license or endorsement, or a comparable license from another jurisdiction, for two years or more. *Failed passage and was granted reconsideration in the Assembly Transportation Committee*

AB 1379 Hill

Cargo loads: spilling

This bill would have imposed a minimum base fine of \$50 for spilling a load on state highways.

Vetoed

AB 1385 Miller

Vehicles: authorized emergency vehicles:

blue warning lights

This bill would have allowed peace officer members of arson investigation units of state or local fire agencies to display blue lights on their emergency vehicles. *Vetoed*

AB 1522 V Perez

Vehicles: school zones

This bill authorizes a local authority in a rural area that establishes a prima facie speed limit to designate a school zone to include a state highway if the highway is within 1,000 feet of a school building or the grounds of a school building, including school grounds that are not separated from the highway by a fence, gate, or other physical barrier while the grounds are in use by children and the highway is posted with a school warning sign that indicates the posted speed limit. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

Streets and Highways

SB 146 Cox

State Route 49: relinquishment

This bill relinquishes a segment of State Route 49 in the town of Downieville to the County of Sierra.
Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 532 Cogdill

State Routes 1, 108, 132, and 201

This bill allows for the relinquishment to the City of Kingsburg of that portion of State Route 201 that is located within the city. *Signed into law. Chapter 189, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 535 Yee

Vehicles: high-occupancy vehicle lanes

This bill allows vehicles that meet California's standard for enhanced advanced technology partial zero emission vehicles and that have a combined fuel economy rating of 65 miles per gallon or greater to access high-occupancy vehicle lanes without regard to vehicle occupancy. The bill limits to 65,000 the number of decals identifying such vehicles that DMV may issue and specifies that these vehicles are not exempt from paying a toll to use a high-occupancy toll lane established pursuant to a federal value-pricing and transit development demonstration program. *Assembly Floor.*

SB 545 Cedillo

State Route 710 tunnel

This bill would have mandated that any proposed extension of the State Route 710 freeway from its current terminus at the boundary of the City of Los Angeles and the City of Alhambra at Valley Boulevard to its connection with the I-210 in the City of Pasadena be built in a tunnel. *Vetoed.*

SB 615 Ashburn

Vehicles: off-highway motor vehicles

This bill authorizes a local jurisdiction to close its streets to regular vehicular traffic and instead allow off-highway motor vehicles to use those streets. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 649 Ashburn

Land transfer to East Kern Airport District

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to transfer, for fair market value, on or before June 30, 2010, ownership of a specified portion of a parcel of land in Kern County acquired for the Mojave Bypass to the East Kern Airport District for open-space purposes. *Signed into law. Chapter 59, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 113 Portantino

State Route 710: sale of property

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to sell real property it owns in the unconstructed portion of the State Route 710 corridor in Los Angeles County. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

AB 254 Jeffries

Emergency vehicles: payment of tolls: exemptions

This bill establishes the circumstances under which an authorized emergency vehicle is exempt from paying a toll on a tolled facility. *Signed into law. Chapter 425, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 344 Caballero

State highways: relinquishment

This bill relinquishes a segment of State Route 146 to the City of Soledad and segments of State Route 1 and State Route 55 to the City of Newport Beach. *Signed into law. Chapter 238, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 439 Miller**Encroachment permits**

This bill modifies the process for reviewing applications to the California Department of Transportation for encroachment permits. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

AB 497 Block**High-occupancy vehicle lanes: physicians**

This bill allows the Department of Transportation and local transportation agencies to permit physicians, when traveling in response to an emergency call, to use high-occupancy vehicle lanes and establishes fines if a driver is using the lanes but is not responding to an emergency. *Failed passage and was granted reconsideration in the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

AB 628 Block**Vehicles: toll evasion violations**

This bill defines “pay-by-plate toll payment” and establishes what constitutes evidence of a toll evasion violation where a toll operator offers this method of toll payment. This bill also provides that a toll operator offering pay-by-plate toll payment must communicate the amount of toll in the same manner as it does for other methods of toll payment and that it may not charge an administrative fee above the posted amount. *Signed into law. Chapter 459, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 670 B. Berryhill**High-occupancy vehicle lanes: veterans**

This bill permits a veteran or active duty member of the United States Armed Forces to use high-occupancy vehicle lanes, regardless of the vehicle’s occupancy. *Failed passage and was granted reconsideration in the Assembly Transportation Committee.*

AB 744 Torrico**Bay Area Express Lane Network**

This bill authorizes the Bay Area Toll Authority to develop, administer, operate, and maintain a network of high-occupancy toll lanes in the Bay Area, provides authority to finance the development of the network using toll revenues, including revenues collected from the seven state-owned bridges under its jurisdiction, and establishes a process for regional cooperation. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

AB 882 Fuller**Highway crash victim memorial signs**

This bill would have allowed the Department of Transportation to erect up to 20 signs per year in memory of non-DUI accident victims to read “Please Drive Safely - In Memory of (victim’s name).” *Vetoed.*

AB 1030 Blumenfield**Renewable energy projects: Department of Transportation**

This bill authorizes the Institute of the Environment at the University of California, Los Angeles to map the renewable energy development potential of property owned or controlled by the Department of Transportation and requires the Department of Transportation to respond to proposals to develop renewable energy facilities on its property within 90 days. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

AB 1243 B. Lowenthal**Strategic Area Freeway Enforcement Task Force**

This bill establishes, until January 1, 2012, the Strategic Area Freeway Enforcement Task Force to improve enforcement of commercial vehicle laws in and around the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

AB 1361 Portantino**Vehicles: commercial vehicle ban: State Route 2**

This bill bans large commercial vehicles on a segment of State Route 2 in Los Angeles County and the City of La Cañada Flintridge. *Signed into law. Chapter 147, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1386 Hayashi**SR 238 surplus property**

This bill requires Caltrans to deposit proceeds from the sale of excess properties in the State Route (SR) 84 and SR 238 corridors into a special fund, provides greater flexibility with respect to the funding of projects that use these funds, alters procedures for disposing of surplus property within the SR 238 corridor, and relinquishes portions of SR 92, SR 185, and SR 238 to the City of Hayward.

Signed into law. Chapter 291, Statutes of 2009.

California Bicycle Routes of National, State, or Regional Significance Act**AB 1464 Smyth**

This bill permits, and provides guidance for, the Department of Transportation to establish a process for identifying and promoting bicycle routes of national, state, or regional significance. *Signed into law. Chapter 396, Statutes of 2009.*

High- occupancy lanes: single occupancy vehicles:**AB 1500 Lieu****sunset date**

This bill extends the sunset date, from January 1, 2011 to January 1, 2014, on the law that allows certain low-emission vehicles, designated with white stickers, to access high-occupancy vehicle lanes. *Senate Floor.*

Transportation Finance and Development

SB 205 Hancock**Traffic congestion: motor vehicle registration fees**

This bill authorizes a countywide transportation planning agency to impose, upon a majority vote of the electorate, an annual fee of up to \$10 on motor vehicles registered within the county for transportation-related programs and projects. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

SB 391 Liu**California Transportation Plan**

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to update its state transportation plan by December 31, 2015 and every five years thereafter. This bill also requires that the plan address how the state will meet the transportation infrastructure and mobility needs of California, attain air pollution standards required by federal and state law, and achieve greenhouse gas emissions reductions needed from the transportation sector. *Signed into law. Chapter 585, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 474 Ducheny**Transportation: pilot programs**

This bill requires a lead agency to make a finding regarding the benefits of a public-private partnership (PPP) agreement or of a design-build or design-sequencing contract within 90 days of entering into an agreement or awarding the contract. This bill also requires the California Transportation Commission to prepare and submit to the Legislature, on an annual basis, a consolidated report that describes the status of projects that involve a PPP or the design-build or design-sequencing methods of procurement. *Held at the Assembly Desk.*

**State Highway Operation and Protection
Program Emergency Funding Act**

SB 485 Wright

This bill enacts the State Highway Operation and Protection Program Emergency Funding Act and states the intent of the Legislature to provide adequate funding to meet the needs of the State Highway Operation and Protection Program in the 2009-10 fiscal year. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

**Toll facilities: comprehensive
development lease agreements**

SB 528 Negrete McLeod

This bill prohibits the payment of just compensation to the lessee of a transportation facility for the loss of revenue due to the development, operation, or lease of supplemental transportation projects. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 575 Steinberg

SB 375 cleanup

This bill cleans up three provisions of SB 375 of 2008: 1) the exemption for transportation sales tax projects; 2) the rezoning requirement under housing element law; and, 3) housing elements due dates generally and the due date in the San Diego region specifically. The bill also clarifies a provision of SB 732 of 2008 regarding the open meeting requirements applicable to the Strategic Growth Council. *Signed into law. Chapter 354, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 607 Ducheny

Imperial County Transportation Commission

This bill creates the Imperial County Transportation Commission and provides that it is the successor agency to the Imperial Valley Association of Governments. *Signed into law. Chapter 56, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 652 Huff

Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority

This bill provides that the Alameda Corridor-East Construction Authority and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments shall be considered political subdivisions of the state and that these entities may be applicants for state or federal funds for certain projects within their jurisdiction. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 659 Pavley

Transportation

This bill makes a non-substantive change to transportation programming. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 716 Wolk

Local transportation funds

This bill authorizes the use of Transportation Development Act funds to acquire vans for farm worker vanpools and to subsidize the operations of such vanpools. *Signed into law. Chapter 609, Statutes of 2009.*

SB1X 11 Ducheny

Gasoline and diesel fuel: user fee

This bill would have enacted a 39 cents-per-gallon gasoline fee and a 31 cents-per-gallon diesel fuel fee, effective April 1, 2009, and indexed those fees to inflation. The bill also would have prescribed the allocation of the resulting revenues. [See AB1X 2 for the language repealing the gasoline and diesel excise taxes.] *Vetoed.*

SB3X 7 Ducheny**State Highway Account: bond repayment**

This bill allows the Director of Finance to use funds transferred to the Transportation Debt Service Fund from the State Highway Account to reimburse the General Fund to offset the cost of debt service payments for transportation-related general obligation bonds. *Chapter 14, Statutes of 2009-10 Third Extraordinary Session.*

SB4X 30 Ducheny**Highway Users Tax Account**

This bill would have shifted \$971 million in gasoline excise tax revenue from cities and counties to the General Fund for reimbursement of transportation-related general obligation bond payments in 2009-10, and an additional \$750 in 2010-11. [See also AB4X 30.] *On the Assembly Floor when the 4th Extraordinary Session adjourned on 7/24/09.*

AB 112 Beall**Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority**

This bill authorizes the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority to fund the repair and maintenance of state highways. *Signed into law. Chapter 81, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 266 Carter**Transportation needs assessment**

This bill requires the California Transportation Commission to develop an assessment of transportation funding and needs every five years. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

Transportation: local retail transaction**AB 277 Ammiano****and use taxes: Bay Area**

This bill would have specified how the governing board of a transportation agency using the Bay Area County Traffic and Transportation Funding Act will be designated. *Vetoed.*

AB 619 Blumenfield**Federal transportation funds: project delays**

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to notify the Legislature within 30 days of making a determination that a project will be delayed beyond its scheduled completion date due to state cashflow or other funding issues, if the delay places at risk federal funds. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

AB 644 Caballero**Monterey-Salinas Transit District Act**

This bill dissolves the Monterey Transit Agency and creates the Monterey-Salinas Transit District. *Signed into law. Chapter 460, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 670 B. Berryhill**Vehicles: high-occupancy vehicle lanes: veterans**

This bill permits a veteran or active duty member of the United States Armed Forces to use high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes, regardless of occupancy level. *Assembly Transportation Committee.*

AB 672 Bass**Proposition 1B projects: letter of no prejudice**

This bill allows an agency responsible for administering a Proposition 1B program to issue a “letter of no prejudice” to a local agency providing an assurance that the administrative agency will reimburse the local agency for expenditures it makes on a Proposition 1B project that has been programmed but for which funds have not yet been allocated. *Signed into law. Chapter 463, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 726 Nielsen**Transportation capital improvement projects**

This bill clarifies that local road rehabilitation projects are eligible for funding through the State Transportation Improvement Program process. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

AB 729 Evans**Public contracts: transit design-build contracts**

This bill extends the authority of transit agencies to enter into design-build contracts until January 1, 2015. *Signed into law. Chapter 466, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 732 Jeffries**Design-sequencing**

This bill extends the sunset date, from January 1, 2010 to July 1, 2010, on the Department of Transportation's authority to use the design-sequencing method of contracting for transportation projects and reduces the number of projects authorized from 12 to 9. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

AB 744 Torrico**Transportation: toll lanes: Express Lane Network**

This bill authorizes the Bay Area Toll Authority to acquire, administer, and operate a network of high-occupancy toll lanes in the Bay Area, provides authority to finance the development of the network using toll revenues, and establishes a process for regional cooperation. *Senate Appropriations Committee.*

AB 798 Nava**California Transportation Financing Authority: toll facilities**

This bill establishes the California Transportation Financing Authority to assist transportation agencies in obtaining financing, primarily through issuing bonds backed by specified sources of revenue, to develop transportation projects. In doing so, this bill allows the authority to permit agencies to impose tolls for the use of facilities constructed. *Signed into law. Chapter 474, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 922 Miller**Diesel fuel tax exemption: biodiesel**

This bill exempts from the diesel excise tax, from July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2014, biomass-based diesel fuel produced in this state with California feedstock and requires the Energy Commission, in cooperation with the State Board of Equalization, to provide specified oversight of the tax incentive program and make an annual report regarding the program. *Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee.*

AB 949 Logue**Transportation: State-Local Partnership Program**

This bill would have expanded the definition of eligible local matching funds for purposes of these provisions to include developer fees, mineral or resource extraction fees or taxes, and local or regional fees or taxes solely dedicated to transportation improvements imposed within a county or any part thereof by voter approval or by the board of supervisors. *Failed Passage and was granted reconsideration in the Assembly Transportation Committee.*

AB 1072 Eng**Public Transportation Modernization Improvement and Service Enhancement Account**

This bill extends to the Budget Act of 2009 and subsequent fiscal years the provisions in the Budget Act of 2008 for distributing the Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement, and Service Enhancement Account funds. *Signed into law. Chapter 271, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1175	Torlakson	Toll facilities
This bill adds the Antioch and Dumbarton bridges to the Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program and grants authorization for voter-approved toll increases. <i>Signed into law. Chapter 515, Statutes of 2009.</i>		
AB 1189	Skinner	Fish passages
This bill requires the Department of Transportation to assess and remediate fish barriers associated with any state or federally funded transportation project, including repairs, retrofits, alterations, maintenance and construction, if the project affects a stream crossing on a stream where anadromous fish are or historically were found. <i>Assembly Transportation Committee.</i>		
AB 1203	Ma	Transportation bond funds: transit system safety
This bill requires the California Emergency Management Agency, by February 1 of each year, to select eligible applicants for transit system safety projects from the Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response Account established by Proposition 1B and provide the Controller with a list of the projects and sponsoring agencies eligible to receive an allocation. <i>Signed into law. Chapter 516, Statutes of 2009.</i>		
AB 1381	J. Perez	High-occupancy toll lane
This bill clarifies that the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) shall implement a value-pricing and transit development demonstration program in cooperation with the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and adds the California Highway Patrol as an agency with which LACMTA must work to implement the program. The bill also provides that the demonstration program does not preclude Caltrans or any local agency from developing facilities that may compete with the high-occupancy toll lane facilities and states that LACMTA is not entitled to compensation for adverse effects on toll revenue that may be due to those competing facilities. <i>Signed into law. Chapter 289, Statutes of 2009.</i>		
AB 1403	Eng	Local transportation funds: planning and programming
This bill deletes the \$1 million cap on the annual allocation of Transportation Development Account funds to the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) for funding SCAG's planning and programming responsibilities. <i>Signed into law. Chapter 530, Statutes of 2009.</i>		
AB 1409	J. Perez	Public contracts: county highway: work authorizations
This bill removes the ability of counties to use either county road commissioner contracting authority or the authority granted under the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act when determining whether to contract out construction or to perform it with county staff. <i>Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.</i>		
AB1X 2	Evans	Gasoline and diesel excise tax repeal
This bill would have repealed the gasoline and diesel excise taxes effective October 1, 2009 and increased General Fund taxes and some special fund taxes by an equivalent amount. [Identical language is contained in AB3X 39. See also SB1X 11 that would have instituted a user fee on gasoline and diesel fuels.] <i>Vetoed.</i>		

AB3X 2 Evans**Gasoline and diesel excise tax repeal**

This bill repeals the 18 cent excise tax on gasoline and diesel fuel and increases General Fund taxes, and some special fund taxes, by an equivalent amount. [Identical language is contained in AB1X 2 and AB3x 39. See also AB3X 40 that imposes a user fee on gasoline.] *On Assembly concurrence.*

AB3X 4 Evans**Highway Users Tax Account**

This bill shifts \$986 million in gasoline fee revenue (as created by AB3X 39) from cities and counties to the General Fund for reimbursement of transportation-related general obligation bond payments in 2009-10 and an additional \$745 million in 2010-11. *On Assembly concurrence.*

AB3X 39 Evans**Gasoline and diesel excise tax repeal**

This bill repeals the 18 cent excise tax on gasoline and diesel fuel and increases General Fund taxes, and some special fund taxes, by an equivalent amount. [Identical language is contained in AB1X 2 and AB3x 2. See also AB3X 40 that imposes a user fee on gasoline.] *Senate Rules Committee.*

AB3X 40 Evans**Gasoline and diesel fuel: user fee**

This bill imposes a new 18 cents-per-gallon user fee on gasoline and diesel. [See AB3X 2 and AB 3X 39 that repeal the 18 cent excise tax on gasoline and diesel fuel.] *Senate Rules Committee.*

AB4X 30 Evans**Highway Users Tax Account**

This bill would have shifted \$971 million in gasoline excise tax revenue from cities and counties to the General Fund for reimbursement of transportation-related general obligation bond payments in 2009-10, and an additional \$750 in 2010-11. [See also SB4X 30]. *On Assembly concurrence when the 4th Extraordinary Session adjourned on 7/24/09.*

Vehicle Registration, Vehicle Dealer, and Vehicles

SB 10 Leno**Voter-approved local assessment: vehicles**

This bill authorizes a county to place on the ballot a measure to impose an additional assessment on vehicles owned by residents of that county that is equal to the difference between the statewide vehicle license fee and two percent of a vehicle's market value. [The language of SB 10 was amended into SB 84 (Steinberg) on 9/4/09 but on 9/10/09 that bill was amended to relate to another subject matter.] *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

SB 95 Corbett**California Car Buyers' Protection Act of 2009**

This bill increases from \$50,000 to \$100,000 the bond required of a vehicle dealer for issuance or renewal of a dealer's license by the Department of Motor Vehicles, increases dealer license fees, increases autobroker license fees, and imposes certain requirements. *Signed into law. Chapter 556, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 184 Benoit**Biennial inspection of terminals: fee schedule**

This bill provides that a motor carrier who owns, leases, or otherwise operates not more than three towed vehicles shall be deemed to have a terminal fleet size of one for the purposes of paying inspection fees. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 205 Hancock**Traffic congestion: motor vehicle registration fees**

This bill authorizes a countywide transportation planning agencies to impose, upon a majority vote of the electorate, an annual fee of up to \$10 on motor vehicles registered in a county for transportation-related programs and projects. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

SB 232 Benoit**Specially constructed vehicles**

This bill eliminates the 500 cap on the number of specially constructed vehicles that the Department of Motor Vehicles may register using a model-year that the vehicle or vehicle engine is designed to resemble. The bill further provides that the registered owner of a specially constructed vehicle that is currently registered or incorrectly registered may change the vehicle's model-year on its registration in accordance with this bill. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 400 Corbett**Green vehicles**

This bill would have made the manufacture of "California green vehicles" eligible for subsidies under the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority's programs. *This bill was amended to address another subject matter.*

SB 406 DeSaulnier**Land use: environmental quality**

This bill would have authorized a \$1 or \$2 surcharge on vehicle registrations to pay for regional land use planning activities. This bill also would have made changes to the membership, duties, and funding of the Office of Planning and Research's Planning Advisory and Assistance Council. *Vetoed.*

SB 424 Padilla**Vehicles:dealers and manufacturers**

This bill makes certain acts of vehicle manufacturers or distributors illegal. *Signed into law. Chapter 12, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 433 Harman**Department of Motor Vehicles: records: confidentiality**

This bill requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to submit a report to the Legislature on January 1, 2011 regarding all specified permitted requests made to it in the 2010 calendar year for confidential address records. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 636 Ashburn**Vehicle license fees**

This bill allows Nevada County to redirect proceeds from an increase in vehicle license fee funds contained in the February 2009 State Budget. *Signed into law. Chapter 605, Statutes of 2009.*

SB 663 Benoit**Neighborhood electric vehicles**

This bill authorizes the City of Palm Desert to establish a neighborhood electric vehicle transportation plan. *Senate Transportation and Housing Committee.*

SB 811 DeSaulnier**Vehicles: specially constructed vehicles**

This bill would have required the Department of Motor Vehicles, with respect to specially constructed vehicles previously registered outside this state that apply for registration in California, to assign the calendar year the vehicle was first registered outside this state as the model year. *Vetoed.*

AB 286 Salas**Vehicles: additional registration fees**

This bill extends from 2010 to 2018 the sunset date on the authority of counties to impose vehicle registration surcharges to fund vehicle theft prevention, investigation, and prosecution programs.

Signed into law. Chapter 230, Statutes of 2009.

AB 425 Cook**Vehicles: registration reissuance fee exemption: military**

This bill exempts, beginning on January 1, 2011, members of the California National Guard and the U.S. Armed Services from the fee for reinstating the registration of a vehicle, if the cancellation of the vehicle registration occurred while the service member was on active duty outside of California during a time of war. *Signed into law. Chapter 107, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 592 B. Lowenthal**Department of Motor Vehicles: records**

This bill adds Board of Equalization investigators to the list of peace officers and other public officials who may request the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide enhanced confidentiality to their home addresses. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

AB 647 Yamada**Vehicles: registration and title information**

This bill requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to comply fully with the federal law creating and governing the National Motor Vehicle Title Information Service. *Signed into law. Chapter 461, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 716 Huber**Veteran services: state agencies and departments**

This bill would have provided that the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Employment Development Department may, in consultation with the California Department of Veterans Affairs, make available in their field offices information to inform veterans of benefits and services. *Vetoed.*

AB 805 Fuentes**Vehicles: automobile dismantlers: license: applications**

This bill requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to investigate thoroughly all the information contained in an application for a license submitted by an automobile dismantler. *Signed into law. Chapter 475, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 873 Price**Vehicles: duplicate or substitute certificate of title or license plate**

This bill allows a registration service to apply for a duplicate or substitute certificate of title or license plate in cases where the address of the applicant for the replacement title or plate does not match the address in state records. *Signed into law. Chapter 481, Statutes of 2009.*

AB 1132 Jones**Vehicle registration: organ and tissue donation**

This bill would have required the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide a link for a person renewing a vehicle registration online to designate that he or she is an organ donor and to make a voluntary contribution of \$2 to the California Organ and Tissue Donor Registry. *Vetoed.*

AB 1135 Skinner**Vehicles: registration renewal**

This bill requires the owner of a vehicle, upon application for renewal of a vehicle registration, to report the current odometer reading of the vehicle. *Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

AB 1515 Eng**Vehicles: Electronic Lien and Title Program**

This bill requires that by January 1, 2012, the Department of Motor Vehicles develop a mandatory electronic lien and title program. *Signed into law. Chapter 540, Statutes of 2009.*

AB3X 3 Evans**Vehicle License Fee increase**

This bill increases, for vehicle registrations due between May 19, 2009 and June 30, 2011, the vehicle license fee (VLF) rate to 1.15 percent and dedicates revenue from the portion of the increase from 0.65 percent to one percent to the state General Fund and revenue from the additional increase of 0.15 percent to specific local public safety programs. If the voters had approved Proposition 1A on the May 19, 2009 ballot, this VLF increase would have been in effect until June 30, 2013. The February 14, 2009 version of this bill also would have increased the gasoline and diesel excise tax by 12 cents between April 1, 2009 and July 1, 2013. *Chapter 18, Statutes of 2009-10 Third Extraordinary Session.*