

2017 Legislative and Budget Update

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CACTTC has engaged on much legislation in 2017.

- Sponsored legislation.
- Other legislation of interest or affecting Tax Collector or Treasurer operations.



SPONSORED LEGISLATION



SB 7 (Moorlach)

The changes would require specific information be included for voter review in school bond elections. Information would include the school or college campus being impacted, and project information based on support documentation such as plans and cost estimates.



AB 271 (Caballero)

This proposal will include new oversight provisions to PACE programs:

- Treasurer-Tax Collector has authority to direct Auditor to strip PACE liens from the property tax roll.
- Penalties and interest accruing on the PACE lien would be deposited into a special fund to offset losses in a tax sale.
- Authority to collect defaulted PACE lien cannot be transferred to, subject to, or contingent upon third-party approval or other arrangement or agreement by lienholder.



SB 653 (Moorlach) as originally proposed

This proposed legislative change would give the County Treasurer and Tax Collectors the flexibility to post Revenue and Taxation Code required notices on their website as an option, as opposed to requiring newspaper publication. (Kern County).

The author changed the bill to mandate that Tax Collectors put online any notices that are published in a newspaper.



AB 747 (Gloria)

The proposed changes would update the statute to capture more types of "electronic payments" in the definitions.



SB 812 (Senate Governance and Finance)

Certain property owners, on a habitual basis, do not pay their property taxes, allow them to go Power to Sell, be put into a tax sale, and then buy them back once the minimum bid is reduced far below the taxes that are owed. This proposal would stop that practice by making it illegal to buy back your own property at tax sale at a reduced price below the minimum bid.



OTHER LEGISLATION OF INTEREST



AB 448 (Daly)

Will require a local agency to provide notice of a new parcel tax to any owner of record of a parcel affected by the tax, if that owner of record does not reside within the jurisdictional boundaries of the taxing entity. The bill would also require the notice to be made within 30 days of the certification of the election approving the new parcel tax. The bill would, with regard to a school district or special district, require the city, county, or city and county in which the district is located, to prepare and mail the notice on behalf of the district.



AB 1253 (Cooley)

- Would have made several key changes to how bond oversight committees work, including making sure that the funds are expended on the projects that voters were promised, and create new oversight steps, like ensuring cost efficiencies.
- The bill was held in Assembly Appropriations.
- CACTTC supported this bill.



SB 2 (Atkins)

- Will authorize a \$75 fee per recorded document, up to \$225, to fund a permanent funding source for affordable housing.
- This is a 2/3 vote bill.



SB 148 (Wiener)

- Would have allowed tax collectors to collect taxes and permit application fees on behalf of the State for cannabis-related activities.
- This measure would have required tax collector consent along with Board consent.
- CACTTC had no position; the bill was held in Senate Appropriations.



SB 182 (Bradford)

 Will help transportation network companies (TNCs) but only requiring that drivers get a business license where they LIVE but not where they work.

 CACTTC is opposed. This measure is moving forward.



AB 1265 (Caballero)

 Would have authorized the consolidation of the San Benito County Treasurer-Tax Collector office with the Auditor-Controller office.

 CACTTC opposed the bill and the author held it for the year.



AB 292 (Ridley-Thomas)

- Would have prohibited local governments from taxing streaming videos (Netflix, etc.).
- The measure died in its first committee.
- CACTTC had no position.



SB 242 (Skinner)

- Is PACE bill that is supposed to improve consumer protections. Notable bad provisions in the bill authorize third party providers to give "forbearance" to property owners struggling to make their tax payment; however, the third party providers are suggesting the possibility that they make that portion of the tax bill payment – a partial payment type of forbearance. The measure contains other problematic components.
- CACTTC is opposed. CSAC and the League support it. The measure is moving forward.



2017-2018 Proposed Budget

- Biggest single issue for counties is IHSS proposal.
- Original proposal was immediate \$623m hit to counties.
- Revised proposal lowers impact initially but phases it in over time and in years 3 and 4, the hit gets pretty big.



2017 So far

- Transportation Package.
- Assembly special election likely.
- Housing.
- Oroville Crisis.
- Still no Cap and Trade vote.



2017-2018 Proposed Budget - Cont'd

- State Revenues held FAIRLY steady compared with projections but Governor continues to warn of a recession.
- No new big program changes proposed aside from IHSS (that affect counties).
- Bill has to be in print by June 12 to meet new Constitutional 3 day rule.



<u>Federal – State Relations</u>

- California in the spotlight.
- Eric Holder hired.
- Multiple lawsuits immigration, health care.
- Sanctuary cities.



Proposed GO State Bonds

- Parks: AB 18 (\$3.1b) / SB 5 (\$3.5).
- Elections Bond: AB 668 (\$450M).
- Housing Bond SB 3 (\$3b).



November 2016 Election – other impacts

- 3 Day Rule.
- Extended PIT of Prop. 30.
- New cigarette tax source of a fight.
- Prop. 57 "Sentencing Reform."
- Cannabis.
- Carry out bags.



Looking Ahead to 2018

- Crowded Governor's race.
- Recreational Cannabis.
- Mid-Term Elections.
- Pro-Tem Termed Out.



Coming Attractions!

- Look for 2018 Legislative Platform development materials to be sent in July.
- Legislative Day is January 10, 2018.



Questions?