

PATRIOT'S CALL TO DUTY

Save Our State

April 19, 2025

Good News!!! We have previously reported on SB 222 by Wiener as an oil industry destruction bill and asked readers to send letters. CalMatters reports that labor unions joined your opposition and killed this bill in committee. <https://calmatters.org/politics/2025/04/california-oil-union-climate-bill/>

Last week's newsletter correction: listed as AB 657 should have been SB 657. The bill, which we support, will now be heard in Senate Revenue & Taxation May 14.

SB 554, Jones – SUPPORT – Senate Public Safety hearing 4/29/2025

Permits Limited Cooperation with ICE. This bill provides that local law enforcement may respond to ICE relating to a person's release date. The bill requires a California law enforcement agency to perform certain limited exceptions to the prohibition currently in law. It prohibits a local agency from enacting an ordinance that would impose any additional prohibitions on immigration enforcement. The bill would void ordinances enacted by a local agency prior to January 1, 2026, that violates the provisions described.

AB 54, Kreel – OPPOSE – Assembly Judiciary Committee hearing 4/29/2025

Exempts Prosecutions Relating to the Abortion Pill. This bill is called the Access to Safe Abortion Care Act but is anything but safe. Medication abortion has proven complications, especially when self-administered. This bill reaffirms the legality of delivery of the drugs mifepristone and misoprostol causing abortion, and more importantly, protects from civil or criminal liability, or professional disciplinary action, for accessing or administering mifepristone or misoprostol and applies that protection retroactively to January 1, 2020. For fear that any portion of this new protection would fail in court, this bill makes its provisions severable, meaning all the other provisions would stand.

SB 98, Perez – OPPOSE – Senate Appropriations Committee hearing 4/28/2025

Illegal Immigration. This bill would require schools of all levels – K-12 and higher education – to notify all teachers, faculty, staff, other school community members that work on the school site, parents, and guardians when the presence of immigration enforcement, as defined, is confirmed on the school site.

SB 370, Ashby – OPPOSE – Senate Business, Professions, and Economic Development hearing 4/28/2025

This bill provides "\$20,000,000 in grants to eligible independent live music events promoters," in order "to support their continued ability to provide equitable access to the arts for all Californians."

- This program is a grant, not a loan for economic development. The state will enjoy no more benefit from this than for any other small business venture.
- The legislature does not have "extra" money for nonessential spending after providing healthcare benefits for illegal aliens creating a \$6.2B shortfall for Medi-Cal.
- One of the qualifications for receiving this grant is that the organization can be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Federal law prohibits that designation for a profit-making entity rather than a charity. This proposal is clearly for a for-profit organization which a 501(c)(3) cannot be.

SB 263, Gonzalez – OPPOSE – Senate Business, Professions, and Economic Development hearing 4/28/2025

Tariff Study. This bill would spend \$500,000 on studying tariffs. The bill is a purely political move to oppose the change in tariff policy and ensuing negotiations of the Trump Administration. By the time a study would be completed, the situation will have already changed as many countries have expressed a commitment to negotiate. The legislature would be well served to reject this unwise spending.

Contact your Assemblyman as these bills being considered by the full Assembly. No Portal letters at this stage in the process.

AB 281, Gallagher – SUPPORT – Assembly Second Reading

Requires each local schools and charter school to advise parents of the name and affiliation of outside consultants who will be providing instructions to students in comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education.

AB 40, Bonta – OPPOSE – Assembly Third Reading

Abortion. Existing law defines “emergency services and care” to mean medical screening, examination, and evaluation by a physician and surgeon, or licensed persons under their supervision, to determine if an emergency medical condition or active labor exists and, if it does, to treat it. This bill would additionally define “emergency services and care” to include abortion. This bill makes not treating abortion a crime for health facilities: “By expanding the applicability of a crime with respect to health facilities and health care service plans, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.”

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(2) CONTACT LEGISLATORS

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An easy way to communicate with a committee is through this Portal. Your comments will go to the committee staff and will be available all members of the committee. Many committees require letters to be submitted 8 days in advance to be included in the Bill Analysis.

Position Letter Portal

(one submission per bill)

Email to register a position of SUPPORT or OPPOSE as an individual with the committee staff and bill author's staff.

1. Go to the Registration Page - <https://calegislation.lc.ca.gov/Advocates/>
2. Select the No bubble next to “Are you a registered lobbyist?”

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This is a one-time registration; do not lose your ID and password – they are almost impossible to retrieve or reset.

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The bullet points provided with the bill information are for your use to write your support or opposition in your own words.

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