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Interested Parties:

The following summary of legislation reviewed by the Assembly Committee on Governmental Organization during the 2021-2022 legislative session includes a brief description of all bills and the status of those bills at the end of the legislative session. Additionally, this booklet contains copies of the Governor's veto messages for those bills that were vetoed.

Jurisdiction of the Committee primarily includes the following subjects: Indian gaming, horse racing, card clubs, alcohol, tobacco products, State Lottery, outdoor advertising, open meetings laws as they affect state government, State holidays, seals, and official acts, State Fire Marshal: Licensing, regulation, and disposal of fireworks, and Offices of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Controller, and State Treasurer. Policy from the committee affects key industries that employ thousands of Californians in areas such as gambling/entertainment, agriculture, tourism, wine production, etc. Revenues generated from these industries in the form of taxes and fees generate significant sources of revenues for all levels of government. These range from income and employment taxes, to excise fees charged to alcohol and tobacco products.

For the full text of all versions of any bill, committee analysis, and history including votes, you may access the Assembly's web page at www.assembly.ca.gov.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the Members of the Committee on Governmental Organization for their service. I appreciate the time and dedication of my colleagues to understand these important issues and their contributions to healthy debate during committee hearings.

If you have questions or would like additional information about the bills summarized in this report, or if you have questions about the Assembly Committee on Governmental Organization, please feel free to contact the committee staff at (916) 319-2531.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Miguel Santiago". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a thin horizontal line.

MIGUEL SANTIAGO
Assemblymember, 53rd District

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Alcohol

[AB-61 \(Gabriel\) - Business pandemic relief.](#)

This bill authorizes the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control, for 365 days from the date the Covid-19 pandemic state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor is lifted, to allow licensees to continue to exercise license privileges in an expanded licensed area authorized pursuant to a COVID-19 Temporary Catering Authorization, as provided. In addition, the bill authorizes a permitted food facility to prepare and serve food as a temporary satellite food service without obtaining a separate permit for up to one year after the end of the state of emergency declared in response to the COVID-19 pandemic or until January 1, 2024, whichever comes first. The bill included an urgency clause.

Status: Chapter 651, Statutes of 2021

[AB-98 \(Kalra\) - Tied-house restrictions: advertising exceptions: City of San Jose.](#)

This bill allows specified licensees to purchase advertising space and time from, or on behalf of, an on-sale licensee that is the owner, manager, or major tenant of a fully enclosed arena with a fixed capacity in excess of 4,000 seats located in the City of San Jose (Tech CU Arena), as specified.

Status: Chapter 267, Statutes of 2022

[AB-239 \(Villapudua\) - Winegrowers and brandy manufacturers: exercise of privileges: locations.](#)

This bill allows a licensed winegrower to sell or deliver wine in containers supplied, furnished, or sold by the customer at the winegrower's offsite tasting room.

Status: Chapter 192, Statutes of 2021

[AB-376 \(O'Donnell\) - Alcoholic beverages: licenses: arts and crafts workshops.](#)

This bill would allow service of wine or beer by an arts and crafts workshop, if certain requirements are met. The bill would require, in this regard, that there be no extra charge or fee for the beer or wine, as described, that the servings be restricted to specified amounts, and that the wine or beer only be provided during business hours and, in no case later than 10 p.m.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-456 \(Daly\) - Alcoholic beverages: schedule of licenses and fees: transmittal.](#)

This bill would require the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to transmit the adjusted fee list annually to the Chairperson of the Assembly Committee on Governmental Organization and the Chairperson of the Senate Standing Committee on Governmental Organization and would change the date for the list to be transmitted to no later than January 31 of the year before it becomes effective.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

[AB-463 \(Mathis\) - Extra licenses: County of Inyo.](#)

Recasts a provision in current law that authorizes the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue, from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2025, no more than a total of five additional new original on-sale general licenses in Inyo County for bona fide public eating places, public premises, or both. In order to qualify for such a license, the premises must have seating capacity for 50 or more diners.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-495 \(Bigelow\) - Alcoholic beverage control: distilled spirits: licensure.](#)

This bill would authorize a person that manufactures or produces distilled spirits within or without California to hold a distilled spirits importer or wholesaler's license if they meet prescribed requirements, including that the person be a manufacturer of beer with at least 2 manufacturing locations. The bill would authorize a person holding a distilled spirits importer or wholesaler's license under these provisions to import and distribute distilled spirits products only if those products meet specified requirements, and would also make technical and conforming changes.

* The Assembly version of the bill, specified that a Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, licensee transferring a license to another premise that is either in the process of being constructed, or in the process of construction, must follow the existing 30-day notification requirement. This provision was gut and amended in the Senate.

Status: Ordered to the Senate Inactive File

[AB-631 \(Bloom\) - Alcoholic beverage control: licenses: nonprofit cultural film exhibition companies.](#)

This bill authorizes the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue a special on-sale general license to a nonprofit cultural film exhibition company, as defined.

Status: Chapter 727, Statutes of 2022

[AB-720 \(Nazarian\) - Alcoholic beverage control: restaurants and bars: license fees: refund.](#)

This bill would require, upon appropriation by the Legislature, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) to refund new permanent license fees and license renewal fees for specified license types. The bill would limit the refund to licenses that were active for any period between March 1, 2020, and January 31, 2021. The bill would also authorize a licensee to request a refund in the manner provided by ABC. The bill would require ABC to establish and publish on its internet website the requirements and guidelines for submitting a license fee refund request and the manner of certification, and would exempt these requirements, guidelines and the manner of certification for refunds from the Administrative Procedure Act.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-920 \(Aguiar-Curry\) - Craft distillers: direct shipping.](#)

This bill, until January 1, 2024, would authorize a licensed craft distiller to directly ship distilled spirits manufactured or produced by the licensee at its premises to a consumer pursuant to specified requirements.

Status: Chapter 729, Statutes of 2022

[AB-929 \(Levine\) - Alcoholic beverages: licensed premises: extensions.](#)

This bill would authorize a licensee with an on-sale general license or a winegrowers license to apply to extend the licensed premises pursuant to a prescribed process. The bill would identify the sorts of areas that may be included in an extension of a licensed premises, which would include outdoor areas that are accessible from the licensed premises but not licensed at the time of application and parking lots. In order to extend the licensed premises, the bill would require a licensee to provide the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control with specified documents, including a diagram of the licensed premises at the time of application and the proposed area to be added, clearly delineating the respective spaces, and an explanation of the licensee's legal ability to control the proposed extended area.

* This bill was gut and amended in the Assembly relating to State government travel.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1070 \(Irwin\) - Alcoholic beverage gift restrictions: exceptions: advertising umbrellas.](#)

This bill, until January 1, 2025, would authorize specified licensees or their designated representatives, without direct or indirect charge, to give up to 12 retail advertising umbrellas to an on-sale retail licensee, per licensed location, each calendar year for use at the location. The bill would prohibit the retail advertising umbrellas from exceeding the value of \$150 per unit and would prescribe other requirements in this regard. The bill would require the authorized licensees to file records related to the umbrellas provided to an on-sale retail licensee with the department within 30 days of their delivery and would require on-sale retail licensees to keep and maintain records for a 3-year period of all retail advertising umbrellas received, as specified.

Status: Vetoed

Governor's Veto Message:

Governor's veto message: To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1070 without my signature.

This bill would authorize distilled spirits manufacturers and other distilled spirits licensees to annually gift up to 12 outdoor patio retail advertising umbrellas, individually valued at no more than \$150, to every on-sale retail licensed location.

This would increase alcohol signage and advertisements in public areas and disadvantage small

alcohol manufacturers that cannot compete with the marketing budgets of multibillion dollar corporations.

Ostensibly, this bill is about assisting businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Yet I believe there are other, more suitable strategies for assisting impacted businesses than allowing economic arrangements that create a competitive disadvantage for small manufacturers. My Administration has taken a number of steps to support our small business community and offer pandemic relief, including providing temporary regulatory flexibility, allowing outdoor expansions, and waiving license renewal fees.

Two years ago, I signed AB 1133 (Chapter 623, Statutes of 2019) to initiate a pilot project allowing beer manufacturers to annually gift up to five cases of glassware to on-sale retail licensed locations. This pilot is still underway through January 1, 2023, and, as such, we have not yet had the opportunity to sufficiently assess its impacts. It is premature to propose another similar exception to tied-house laws until the pilot project can be properly evaluated. For these reasons, I am returning this bill.

Sincerely,
Gavin Newsom

[AB-1149 \(Villapudua\) - Alcoholic beverages: tied-house restrictions.](#)

This bill extends a Tied-house exception to limitations provided for beer, to also apply to brands of distilled spirits and wine in single-serve containers for the purpose of stocking, rotating, displaying, and merchandising the product by specified distributor licensees at off-sale retail outlets.

Status: Chapter 271, Statutes of 2021

[AB-1181 \(Nguyen\) - Fees: business licenses: alcoholic beverages: health permits.](#)

This bill would prohibit cities and counties, including charter cities and counties, from imposing or collecting license fees from restaurants from January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2021, as provided, and would require the city or county to refund to a restaurant any license fees collected during that period. The bill would waive specified permanent license application fees, annual renewal fees, and associated surcharges for applications submitted on or after January 1, 2020, but before January 1, 2022, and would require the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) to refund those fees if already paid. The bill would waive specified interim operating permit fees from January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2021, and would require ABC to refund those fees if already paid. The bill would also authorize, subject to specified limitations, the ABC to adjust specified annual renewal fees on or after January 1, 2022, and each January 1 thereafter, as if the annual renewal fees were adjusted on January 1, 2020, and January 1, 2021.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1198 \(Frazier\) - Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control: legislative reports.](#)

Adds reporting requirements to an existing report on activities of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) that is prepared and submitted by the Director of ABC to the Legislature, upon request and posted on its Internet Web site. Requires the report to include information on the amount of funds allocated and spent by ABC for licensing, enforcement, and administration in the previous 5 years, the number of licenses issued, renewed, denied, suspended, and revoked, by license category in the previous 5 years, and the number, type, and amount of penalties, fines, and other disciplinary actions taken by the department in the previous 5 years.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1242 \(Bauer-Kahan\) - Alcoholic beverages: bona fide public eating place: off-sale privileges.](#)

Until two years after the end of the COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor, this bill would authorize a bona fide public eating place holding an on-sale general license or a bona fide public eating place holding an on-sale license for beer and wine to exercise additional off-sale rights and privileges, subject to specified requirements. The bill would require the licensee to notify the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control of its intent to sell pursuant to this authorization.

* The bill was gut and amended in the Senate to deal with reproductive rights.

Status: Passed the Assembly, but was gut and amended in the Senate

[AB-1267 \(Cunningham\) - Alcoholic beverages: advertising or promoting donation of proceeds to a nonprofit charitable organization.](#)

This bill authorizes specified licensees, until January 1, 2025, to donate a portion of the purchase price of an alcoholic beverage to a nonprofit charitable organization, subject to certain limitations.

Status: Chapter 207, Statutes of 2021

[AB-1275 \(Jones-Sawyer\) - Alcoholic beverage control: minors.](#)

This bill modifies the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act to delete the requirement for the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to produce an alleged minor for examination in a hearing on an accusation charging a licensee with violating provisions relating to providing alcoholic beverages to a minor, employing a minor to prepare or serve alcoholic beverages, or permitting a minor to enter and remain in the licensed premises.

Status: Chapter 208, Statutes of 2021

[AB-1323 \(Haney\) - Alcoholic beverage control: tied-house exceptions.](#)

This bill would allow specified licensees to purchase advertising space and time from, or on behalf of, an on-sale licensee that is the owner, manager, or major tenant of an on-sale retail licensed premises configured with theatrical seating of at least 1,600 seats but no more than 2,400 seats in the city and County of San Francisco (Curran Theatre), as specified.

Status: Chapter 271, Statutes of 2022

[AB-1330 \(Mayes\) - Alcoholic beverage tied-house restrictions: exceptions: County of Riverside.](#)

This bill exempts a licensed premise operated by a licensed beer manufacturer from a current requirement in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act that requires an on-sale retail licensee that give, sell, or otherwise dispense draught beer to include specified information regarding the beer upon the faucet, spigot, or outlet from which the beer is drawn or in the place of service or consumption, as provided.

Status: Chapter 272, Statutes of 2022

[AB-1330 \(Mayes\) - Alcoholic beverage tied-house restrictions: exceptions: County of Riverside.](#)

This bill authorizes specified licensees to purchase advertising space and time from, or on behalf of, an on-sale licensee that is the owner, manager, or major tenant of a fully enclosed arena with a fixed capacity in excess of 10,000 seats located in the County of Riverside (Acrisure Arena).

* The original version of the bill was authored by Assemblymember Jim Frazier. The bill prohibited an alcohol licensee from delivering alcoholic beverages to a consumer pursuant to any order received for an alcoholic beverage by telephone or other electronic means unless specified conditions are met. In addition, this bill exempts a licensed premise operated under a beer manufacturer license from a current requirement in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act that requires an on-sale retail licensee that give, sell, or otherwise dispense draught beer to include specified information regarding the beer upon the faucet, spigot, or outlet from which the beer is drawn or in the place of service or consumption, as provided. The bill was gut and amended in the Senate by Assemblymember Chad Mayes.

Status: Chapter 272, Statutes of 2022

[AB-1586 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - Alcoholic beverage control: on-sale general licenses: counties.](#)

This bill revises a current authorization in law that authorizes the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue four additional new original on-sale general licenses for bona fide public eating places in a county where the population is less than 7,000 and the major economy of the county is dependent on continual use of that county's recreational facilities by additionally requiring that the economy of that county also be dependent on tourism.

Status: Ordered to the Senate Inactive File

[AB-1589 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - Alcoholic beverages: tied-house restrictions.](#)

This bill authorizes the electronic filing of appeals to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Appeals Board (Board) and electronic delivery of final orders by the Board. Additionally, this bill clarifies that a licensed retailer is not obligated to buy or sell the alcoholic beverage products of a distilled spirits wholesaler when selling marketing data to that wholesaler.

Status: Chapter 306, Statutes of 2021

[AB-1617 \(Stone\) - Wine label requirements: Santa Cruz Mountains.](#)

This bill requires, beginning January 1, 2024, any wine bottled and labeled with an American Viticultural Area (AVA) located entirely within the “Santa Cruz Mountains” AVA to bear the “Santa Cruz Mountains” designation on the label in a specified font size. This bill provides an exception to any wine already labeled with an appellation of origin that includes the term “Santa Cruz Mountains.” The Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control is authorized to suspend or revoke a violator’s license.

Status: Never heard by the Senate Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1734 \(Bennett\) - Alcoholic beverages: licensed premises: retail sales and consumption.](#)

This bill allows the holder of a beer manufacturer’s license and a winegrower’s license that holds both of those licenses for a single premises to have alcoholic beverages that are authorized under those licenses at the same time anywhere within the premises, and to maintain a designated area where retail sales and consumption authorized under those licenses can occur, subject to specified conditions.

Status: Chapter 175, Statutes of 2022

[AB-2037 \(Flora\) - Polling places: alcoholic beverages.](#)

Allows an elections official to establish a vote center or a polling place in a location where the primary purpose is the sale or dispensation of alcoholic beverages.

Status: Chapter 155, Statutes of 2022

[AB-2210 \(Quirk\) - Cannabis: state temporary event licenses: venues licensed by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control: unsold inventory.](#)

This bill would prohibit the Department of Cannabis Control from denying an application for a state temporary event license solely on the basis that there is a license issued pursuant to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act for the proposed premises of the event. The bill would require all on- and off-sale privileges of alcoholic beverages at the venue to be suspended for the day of the event and would prohibit all alcohol consumption on the venue premises for the day of the event, and would prohibit those privileges and consumption from resuming until 6 a.m. on the day after the event.

Status: Chapter 391, Statutes of 2022

[AB-2301 \(Wood\) - Alcoholic beverage sales: beer manufacturers: licensed premises.](#)

This bill authorizes an on-sale retailer that is also a beer manufacturer to purchase alcoholic beverages from the licensed beer manufacturer, if the premises of production is located within five miles of the licensed on-sale premises.

Status: Chapter 961, Statutes of 2022

[AB-2303 \(Aguilar-Curry\) - Agave spirits: labeling.](#)

This bill provides that only agave spirits produced entirely from agaves grown within California, without flavoring or coloring additives, may be labeled with the words "California agave spirits" or any combination of the words "California agave spirits," "California agave," or substantially similar description.

Status: Chapter 694, Statutes of 2022

[AB-2307 \(Berman\) - Alcoholic beverages: beer manufacturers: branch offices.](#)

This bill increases the number of authorized branch office locations for a licensed beer manufacturer, from six to eight, and increases from, two to four, the number of these locations that are authorized to be bona fide public eating places owned by the beer manufacturer, as specified. Additionally, the bill provides that a beer manufacturer cannot receive its last two duplicate branch office licenses until the manufacturer has held its sixth duplicate license for at least one year.

Status: Chapter 962, Statutes of 2022

[AB-2580 \(Bloom\) - Alcoholic beverages: tied-house restrictions: exceptions.](#)

This bill would create a Tied-house exception for a hotel consisting of not less than 25 guestroom accommodations with an outdoor piazza or motor court of approx. 9,000 sq. ft. located on Sunset Boulevard in the City of West Hollywood. The bill would authorize designated ABC licensees to purchase advertising space and time in connection with the hotel if specified conditions are met.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-2844 \(Kalra\) - Cannabis catering.](#)

This bill would authorize the Department of Cannabis Control to issue a state caterer license authorizing the licensee to serve cannabis or cannabis products at a private event approved by a local jurisdiction for the purpose of allowing event attendees 21 years of age or older to consume the cannabis or cannabis products that is not hosted, sponsored, or advertised by the caterer. Under the bill, consumption of alcohol or tobacco would be authorized on the premises of that event, as specified. A caterer licensee would be prohibited from serving cannabis or cannabis products at any one premises for more than 36 events in one calendar year, except as specified, and would authorize a caterer licensee to reuse cannabis at a subsequent event, as provided. Additionally, the bill would add acting as a cannabis caterer for a private event to the definition of commercial cannabis activity.

Status: Held by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

[AB-2896 \(Santiago\) - Alcoholic beverages: delivery.](#)

This bill would impose additional conditions to be met for an alcoholic beverage to be delivered to a consumer pursuant to an order received by telephone or other electronic means, including, among other things, that the person delivering the alcoholic beverage has completed appropriate training, as specified, and makes a determination that the person taking delivery is not obviously intoxicated.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-2921 \(Santiago\) - Alcoholic beverages.](#)

This bill makes clarifying and technical changes to existing law pertaining to licensees who conduct market research. Additionally, the bill requires the Alcoholic Beverage Control Appeals Board to enter its order within 60 days after an appeal is submitted for decision.

Status: Chapter 294, Statutes of 2022

[AB-2970 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control: legislative reports.](#)

This bill makes non-controversial and clarifying changes to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act.

Status: Held by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

[AB-2971 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - Alcoholic beverage control: fees.](#)

This bill extends the sunset date on an existing provision in law that permits certain alcoholic manufacturers to hold free invitation-only promotional events in connection with the sale or distribution of a distilled spirit or wine. In addition, the bill makes various technical and conforming changes to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act. The bill also extends the current Tied-house exception, until January 1, 2026, which authorizes a beer manufacturer to give, free of charge, up to five cases of retail advertising glassware to an on-sale retail licensee, per licensed location, each calendar year, and authorizes an on-sale retail licensee to accept, free of charge, up to 10 cases of retail advertising glassware, per licensed location, from licensed beer manufacturers each calendar year, subject to specified conditions.

Status: Chapter 296, Statutes of 2022

[SB-19 \(Glazer\) - Winegrowers: tasting rooms.](#)

This bill authorizes a licensed winegrower or brandy manufacturer to operate two off-site tasting rooms (from 1 to 2) under its winegrower license.

Status: Chapter 274, Statutes of 2021

[SB-298 \(Dodd\) - On-sale general licenses: Brewpub-restaurant licenses: bona fide public eating place license.](#)

This bill authorizes any person that has a brewpub-restaurant license to exchange that license for a bona fide public eating place license subject to the approval of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, as specified.

Status: Chapter 980, Statutes of 2022

[SB-314 \(Wiener\) - Alcoholic beverages.](#)

This bill authorizes the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) to, for 365 days from the date the Covid-19 state of emergency is lifted, allow licensees to continue to exercise license privileges in an expanded licensed area authorized pursuant to a Covid-19 temporary catering authorization, as provided. In addition, this bill allows a licensed manufacturer to share a common licensed area with multiple licensed retailers, as specified. Finally, this bill increases the number of times, from 24 to 36 in a calendar year, that the ABC can issue a caterer's permit for use at any one location.

Status: Chapter 656, Statutes of 2021

[SB-386 \(Umberg\) - Tied-house restrictions: advertising: mixed-use district.](#)

The bill authorizes specified alcohol licensees to sponsor events promoted by, and to purchase advertising space and time from, or on behalf, an on-sale licensee that is the owner, operator agent of the operator, or sole assignee of the operator's advertising rights of a mixed-use district located in the County of Orange (ocV!BE), as specified.

Status: Chapter 309, Statutes of 2021

[SB-389 \(Dodd\) - Alcoholic beverages: retail off-sale license: retail off-sale delivery: retail on-sale license: off-sale privileges.](#)

This bill authorizes, until December 31, 2026, specified on-sale licensees that operate a bona fide public eating place to sell distilled spirits for off-sale consumption for which their license permits on-sale consumption if the beverages are in manufacturer-prepackaged containers, and ordered and picked up by the consumer. The bill authorizes a licensee to sell the alcoholic beverages, except beer, for off-sale consumption for which their license permits on-sale consumption when the beverages are not in manufacturer-prepackaged containers if specified conditions are met.

Status: Chapter 657, Statutes of 2021

[SB-417 \(Dodd\) - Alcoholic beverages: import.](#)

This bill allows an air common carrier to truck in alcoholic beverages from outside of the state and not be deemed an importer for purposes of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act when those alcoholic beverages are used exclusively for the sale and serving of those alcoholic beverages on the air common carrier's airplanes, as specified.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

SB-440 (Dodd) - Applications for licenses: procedural requirements.

This bill requires the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to conduct priority drawings through a live video feed.

* The bill was gut and amended in the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee to address issues pertaining to the State Board of Equalization when the Governor declares a state of emergency proclamation.

Status: The bill was gut and amended in the Assembly

SB-561 (Dodd) - Alcoholic beverage licensees: manufacturers and retailers: shared common licensed area.

This bill authorizes an alcohol manufacturer to share a common licensed area with multiple retailers, subject to all of the following conditions: a) A retailer sharing a common licensed area with a manufacturer shall not serve any alcohol beverages that are manufactured, produced, bottled, or sold by the manufacturer. This prohibition shall apply to all licensed premises owned or operated by the retailer anywhere in the state; b) All retailers sharing the common licensed area shall hold the same license type; and c) All licensees holding licenses within the shared common licensed area shall be jointly responsible for compliance with all laws that may subject their license to disciplinary action.

* The bill was gut and amended in the Assembly to deal with State surplus property.

Status: The bill was gut and amended in the Assembly

SB-620 (Allen) - Craft distillers: delivery: direct shipper permits.

This bill would authorize a craft distiller licensed in this state and a distilled spirits producer or craft distiller licensed in any other state that complies with the conditions necessary for the issuance of a craft distiller's license, upon issuance of a distilled spirits direct shipper permit, to sell and ship a specified amount of distilled spirits directly to a resident of California, who is 21 years of age or older, for the resident's personal use and not for resale, as provided. The bill would impose various obligations on distilled spirits direct shipper permit holders before they could begin shipping, including obtaining a seller's permit or registering with the State Board of Equalization. Additionally, the bill would authorize a licensed craft distiller to sell and deliver to a consumer at its premises up to 4.5 liters of prepackaged containers (increase from 2.25 liters to 4.5 liters) of the licensee's spirits per day per consumer.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

SB-793 (Wiener) - Alcoholic beverages: music venue license: entertainment zones: consumption.

This bill authorizes the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue a music venue license that would allow the licensee to sell beer, wine, and distilled spirits for consumption on the premises in a music entertainment facility, as defined. The music venue licensee may sell, serve, and permit consumption of alcoholic beverages only during the time period from two hours before a live performance until one hour after the live performance.

Status: Chapter 468, Statutes of 2022

SB-846 (Dodd) - Alcoholic beverages: deliveries: off-sale retail licenses and consumer delivery service permits.

This bill establishes a new license type issued by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for a consumer delivery service permit (Type 95), allowing a licensee with off-sale retail privileges or a permit holder, on the licensee's behalf, to deliver alcoholic beverages to a consumer. This bill also adds the holder of an on-sale general license (generally, a bar) to the list of licensees authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for offsite consumption and repeals the requirement that such sales be picked up (not delivered to) a consumer and done in conjunction with a bona fide meal.

Status: Held by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB-930 (Wiener) - Alcoholic beverages: hours of sale.

This bill, beginning January 1, 2025, and before January 2, 2028, would require the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to conduct a pilot program that issues an additional hours license to an on-sale licensee located in a qualified city (cities of Palm Springs, West Hollywood and the City and County of San Francisco), authorizing the licensee to serve alcoholic beverages at the licensed premises between the hours of 2 a.m. and 4 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays and specified holidays, and between the hours of 2 a.m. and 3 a.m. on all other days, upon completion of specified requirements.

Status: Failed passage on the Assembly Floor

SB-1011 (Committee on Governmental Organization) - Alcoholic beverages.

Increases, from three to four per calendar year, the number of special temporary licenses that may be issued by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) to non-profit organizations to conduct fundraising sales and strikes the provision that such a license issued for a period exceeding two days be used solely for retail sales. In addition the bill expands how the ABC may issue specified special temporary licenses to non-profit organizations, authorizes ABC to conduct specified duties electronically and makes other technical changes to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act.

Status: Chapter 136, Statutes of 2022

[SB-1198 \(McGuire\) - Beer manufacturers: direct shipper permits.](#)

This bill would authorize a person licensed in this state or any other state as a beer manufacturer that obtains a beer direct shipper permit to sell and ship beer directly to a resident of California, who is 21 years of age or older, for the resident's personal use and not for resale. The bill would impose various requirements on beer direct shipper permit holders before they could begin shipping, including obtaining a seller's permit or registering with the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration. The bill would prohibit sales and shipments of beer directly to consumers in California from beer manufacturers that do not possess a beer direct shipper permit.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[SB-1280 \(Hueso\) - Tied-house restrictions: advertising: San Diego State University.](#)

This bill authorizes specified licensees to purchase advertising space and time from, or on behalf of, an on-sale licensee that is the owner, manager, or major tenant at specified facilities on the campus of San Diego State University.

Status: Chapter 304, Statutes of 2022

[SB-1315 \(Cortese\) - Alcoholic beverages: consumption area permits.](#)

This bill authorizes the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue a consumption area permit to a person in the City of San Jose who owns, operates or manages a privately owned commercial area of a specified size (Santana Row), which allows a consumer to leave a licensed premises with alcoholic beverages for consumption in a specified area.

Status: Held by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

[SB-1370 \(Pan\) - Alcoholic beverages: licensees.](#)

This bill authorizes the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue a special on-sale license to a nonprofit radio broadcasting company (Capitol Public Radio) that would allow the licensee to sell and serve alcoholic beverages to ticketholders, as specified.

Status: Chapter 732, Statutes of 2022

[SB-1452 \(Dahle\) - Alcoholic beverages: licenses: Counties of El Dorado and Shasta.](#)

This bill authorizes the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) to issue no more than a total of 10 new original on-sale general licenses for bona fide public eating places in both the County of El Dorado and in the County of Shasta, as specified. The bill would prohibit the ABC from issuing more than 4 of these licenses per year.

Status: Chapter 889, Statutes of 2022

Fireworks

[AB-1497 \(Frazier\) - Fireworks: violations: penalties.](#)

This bill would increase the amount of the fine to be imposed for violating the State Fireworks Law or related regulation, would increase the amount of certain fines for possessing a specified amount of dangerous fireworks, and would specify the fine and imprisonment penalties for a 3rd or subsequent conviction.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1588 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - Gambling Control Act: records: open to public inspection.](#)

This bill would establish the State Fire Marshal Statewide Illegal Fireworks Enforcement Action Fund in the State Treasury and would require all moneys transferred to the fund to be used by the State Fire Marshal (SFM) to assist in the enforcement of statewide programs concerning illegal and dangerous fireworks, prosecution related to seized fireworks, and enforcement efforts of fire and law enforcement officials. This bill would require the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, in consultation with the SFM, to estimate by March 31, 2022, the gross receipts for sales and use tax purposes from the sale of fireworks in the state for the 2020–21 fiscal year, as specified. The bill would require that an amount equal to 2.5% of the estimated amount, or \$1,800,000, whichever is greater, be included in the Governor’s revised budget in May 2022 for allocation to the SFM Statewide Illegal Fireworks Enforcement Action Fund, as specified. This process and allocation would continue annually.

Status: Never heard by the Senate Governance and Finance Committee

[SB-277 \(Archuleta\) - Fireworks: dangerous fireworks: seizure: management.](#)

This bill requires the State Fire Marshal (SFM) to “manage,” rather than “dispose of,” dangerous fireworks in the manner prescribed by the SFM and pursuant to specified actions.

Status: Chapter 238, Statutes of 2022

Gambling

[AB-120 \(Salas\) - Gambling Control Act.](#)

This bill allows the California Gambling Control Commission (CGCC) to take action to deny or approve an application at a CGCC meeting and require an evidentiary hearing only if requested by an applicant, upon denial of an application or if the application is approved with limits, restrictions, or conditions, as defined.

Status: Chapter 45, Statutes of 2021

[AB-432 \(Gipson\) - Gambling Control Act: licenses.](#)

Establishes a portable gaming license for employees of gambling enterprises and extends the length of a renewal of a key employee license to three years.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-957 \(Salas\) - Gaming Policy Advisory Committee.](#)

This bill increased the composition of the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee (GPAC) from 10 to 12 members and requires the GPAC to meet at least twice a year.

* The bill was gut and amended in the Senate to ratify two separate tribal-state gaming compacts between the State of California and the Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California and the Santa Rosa Indian Community of the Santa Rosa Rancheria.

Status: Passed the Assembly but was gut and amended in the Senate

[AB-965 \(Levine\) - Gambling: licenses: gambling establishments.](#)

Existing law prohibits, until January 1, 2023, the California Gambling Control Commission from issuing a gambling license for a gambling establishment that was not licensed to operate on December 31, 1999, except as specified. This bill would extend that prohibition to January 1, 2033.

* This bill was gut and amended in the Senate and the content was never heard in the Assembly.

Status: Held by the Senate Rules Committee

[AB-1134 \(Bigelow\) - Gambling Control Act: limited liability companies: licensure.](#)

Existing law requires a limited liability company to comply with specified requirements in order to obtain a gambling license, including a requirement that the limited liability company provide specified information to the Department of Justice, including, among other things, a copy of its annual federal income tax return within 30 calendar days after the return is filed with the Internal Revenue Service. This bill would instead require that return to be provided to the department within 60 calendar days after the return is filed with the Internal Revenue Service.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1167 \(Bigelow\) - California Gambling Control Commission.](#)

This bill reduces, from 60 days to 45 days, the time for a Governor to fill any vacancy in the California Gambling Control Commission (CGCC). The bill also requires the Governor to notify the Legislature of the removal of a member of the CGCC for incompetence, neglect of duty, or corruption upon first giving the member a copy of the charges and an opportunity to be heard.

Status: Held by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

[AB-1170 \(Bigelow\) - Gaming Policy Advisory Committee.](#)

This bill requires the California Gambling Control Commission to post a public record of each of its votes on its internet website no later than two business days after the meeting at which the vote was taken. The bill also makes and technical and clarifying changes.

* The bill was gut and amended in the Senate to ratify a tribal-state gaming compact entered into between the State of California and the Table Mountain Rancheria, executed on August 10, 2021. The bill was a placeholder that did not move forward.

Status: Never heard by the Senate Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1230 \(Frazier\) - Gambling disorder prevention.](#)

Existing law establishes the Office of Problem Gambling in the State Department of Public Health and requires the office to develop a gambling disorder prevention program that includes, among other components, a toll-free telephone service for immediate crisis management, public awareness campaigns, and training of gambling industry personnel in identifying customers who are at risk for gambling disorders. The bill would also include, as a component of the program, problem gambling education and awareness programs that specifically target geographically diverse multicultural populations.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1268 \(Patterson\) - Gambling Control Act.](#)

This bill would require the California Gambling Control Commission and the Department of Justice (DOJ), when increasing a fee amount, to include a clear statement justifying the need for the fee increase and explaining how the funds will be used in the regulation updating the fee. This bill would require additional information to be included in the accounting of charges and would require this accounting to be provided whenever an additional deposit of funds is requested by the Department of Justice.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1321 \(Lackey\) - Gambling establishments.](#)

Existing law prohibits, until January 1, 2023, the governing body and the electors of a city, county, or city and county that has not authorized legal gaming within its boundaries prior to January 1, 1996, from authorizing legal gaming. Existing law also prohibits, until January 1, 2023, an ordinance in effect on January 1, 1996, that authorizes legal gaming within a city, county, or city and county from being amended to expand gaming in that jurisdiction beyond that permitted on that effective date. This bill would exclude an increase in the number of tables authorized in existing gambling establishments from the prohibition on expansion of gaming and would explicitly authorize a city, county, or city and county to expand, by ordinance, the number of tables permitted in a gambling establishment.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1427 \(Chen\) - Gambling Control Act: licenses.](#)

This bill would add additional exceptions to the requirement that the California Gambling Control Commission (CGCC) deny a license to an applicant for a felony conviction for certain circumstances, including, among others, that the person has obtained a certificate of rehabilitation, been granted clemency or a pardon, or had the felony conviction dismissed, as specified. The bill would prohibit the CGCC from denying a license to an applicant on the basis of a conviction of a crime, or on the acts underlying that crime, if the person has obtained a certificate of rehabilitation, been granted clemency or a pardon, or had the conviction dismissed, as specified. The bill would provide a definition of "conviction" for those purposes.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1834 \(Gipson\) - Gambling Control Act: records: open to public inspection.](#)

This bill repeals provisions in current law relating to key employees working at different gambling establishments and instead prohibits a person or entity that is issued a state gambling license from being required to apply for an additional license to hold that same position with another gambling establishment. Additionally, the bill requires the California Gambling Control Commission to issue approved licenses for key employees for an initial period of two years from the date of issuance and for a period of three years upon each renewal.

Status: Held by the Senate Appropriations Committee

[AB-2455 \(Aguilar-Curry\) - Gaming Policy Advisory Committee.](#)

This bill increases the membership of the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee (GPAC) from 10 to 12 members and requires the additional members to include one representative of academia who possesses knowledge on matters related to gaming and one representative from the Bureau of Gambling Control. Additionally, the bill requires the executive director to convene the GPAC at least twice every calendar year, rather than from time to time.

Status: Ordered to the Senate Inactive File

[AB-2870 \(Santiago\) - Gambling Control Act.](#)

This bill requires the executive director of California Gambling Control Commission (CGCC) to convene the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee (GPAC) at least once annually, rather than from time to time. The CGCC must also post a public record of every vote on the CGCC's internet website no later than the close of business two business days after the meeting at which the vote was taken.

* The bill was gut and amended in the Senate to deal with firearms.

Status: Passed the Assembly but was gut and amended in the Senate

[AB-2923 \(Waldron\) - Gaming Policy Advisory Committee.](#)

This bill would increase the membership of the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee from 10 to 12 members, and would require the committee to be composed of 5 representatives of controlled gambling licensees, 5 members of the general public, and 2 representatives from the Department of Justice. The bill would require the executive director of the California Gambling Control Commission to convene the committee at least twice annually, rather than from time to time.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[SB-302 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - California Gambling Control Commission: voting records.](#)

This bill would require the California Gambling Control Commission to post a public record of each of its votes on its Internet Web site no later than two business days after the meeting at which the vote was taken.

* The bill was gut and amended on the Assembly Floor to ratify a tribal-state gaming compact between the State of California and the Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians of California.

Status: Gut and amended on the Assembly Floor

[SB-576 \(Archuleta\) - Gambling: local moratorium.](#)

This bill extends the gambling moratorium related to the expansion of gaming and the issuance of new gambling licenses from January 1, 2023, to January 1, 2028. Additionally, this bill authorizes a city, county, or city and county, to amend its ordinance to increase the number of gambling tables that may be operated in a gambling establishment by up to two tables each calendar year, up to a maximum of 10 additional tables, as specified.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[SB-637 \(Ochoa Bogh\) - Gambling: local moratorium.](#)

Prohibits, until January 1, 2024, the governing body and the electors of a county, city, or city and county from authorizing or expanding any legal gaming beyond that permitted on January 1, 1996, as defined. Additionally, the California Gambling Control Commission is prohibited, until January 1, 2024, from issuing a gambling license for a gambling establishment that was not licensed to operate on December 31, 1999, except as specified.

Status: Failed passage in the Senate Governmental Organization Committee

[SB-819 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - Gambling Control Act.](#)

This bill excludes from the definition of “gambling enterprise employee” and “key employee” individuals who are employed solely to serve or prepare food or beverages if those duties are performed only in areas of the establishments in which gambling is not authorized. In addition, this bill makes various clarifying changes to the Gambling Control Act, as specified.

Status: Chapter 553, Statutes of 2021

[SB-899 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - California Gambling Control](#)

[Commission: voting records.](#)

This bill requires the California Gambling Control Commission (CGCC) to post a public record of every vote on the CGCC's internet website no later than the close of business two business days after the meeting at which the vote was taken.

Status: Ordered to the Assembly Inactive File

[SB-910 \(Hurtado\) - Gambling licenses.](#)

The bill extends, from 30 to 60 days, the amount of time that a decision by the California Gambling Control Commission is required to be stayed and the amount of time that an applicant can request an evidentiary hearing.

* This bill was gut and amended on the Assembly Floor to ratify a tribal-state gaming compact between the State of California and the Tejon Indian Tribe, executed on August 17, 2022.

Status: Gut and amended on the Assembly Floor

Horse Racing

[AB-351 \(Cristina Garcia\) - Gambling: horse racing.](#)

This bill would add the "Pegasus World Cup Invitational" to the group of stake races which are exempt from the 50-race per day limit on imported races in California.

* This bill was gut and amended in the Senate to deal with the reduction of human remains and the disposition of reduced human remains.

Status: Passed the Assembly, but was gut and amended in the Senate

[AB-597 \(Bigelow\) - Horse racing: fairs: steeplechase, barrel, and show jumping racing.](#)

This bill would require that, whenever a fair conducts a program of horse races on which there is pari-mutuel wagering, the fair, so far as practicable, provide a program of racing that includes, in addition to the types of racing included under existing law, steeplechase racing, barrel racing, and show jumping racing.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-715 \(Megan Dahle\) - Horse racing: fairs and expositions: Special Trust Account for the Rebuilding and Renewal of Fairs.](#)

This bill would require that funds appropriated or designated for California fairs and Expositions be first deposited in a separate account in the Fair and Exposition Fund designated by the bill as the Special Trust Account for the Rebuilding and Renewal of Fairs, and continuously appropriated from that account to the Department of Food and Agriculture, for allocation by the Secretary of Food and Agriculture. The bill would delete a provision requiring certain allocations from the fund be made with the concurrence of the Joint Committee on Fairs Allocation and Classification. The bill would specify that, with the concurrence of the Director of Finance, moneys from the fund could be additionally used for constructing or acquiring capital improvements at fairgrounds and for emergency services projects. The bill would also specify that these moneys could be used for expenses incurred in developing and operating revenue generating projects at fairgrounds, as specified. The bill would provide for the allocation of funds in excess of \$11,000,000 that are deposited in the separate account in any fiscal year.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1150 \(Frazier\) - Charity racing days: distribution of proceeds.](#)

This bill increases, from 30 percent to at least 40 percent, the percentage to be distributed to charities from a charity racing day.

Status: Ordered to the Senate Inactive File

[AB-1173 \(Cooper\) - Horse racing: thoroughbred race meetings: non-thoroughbred races.](#)

This bill requires the contractual compensation received by the Advance Deposit Wagering (ADW) provider to be the average of the contractual compensation specified in the hub agreement that is the subject of the arbitration and the contractual compensation set forth in the arbitration notice. The bill would require the arbitrator to select the set of terms that most accurately reflects the then-existing market rate of compensation for the services provided by the ADW provider based on all relevant facts and circumstances relating to California resident ADW wagering. The bill would authorize either party to bring an action in state court to review the arbitrator's decision.

Status: Chapter 531, Statutes of 2021

[AB-1437 \(Frazier\) - Horse racing: out-of-state thoroughbred races: Whitney Stakes.](#)

This bill adds the "Whitney Stakes" to the group of stake races in Horse Racing Law which are exempt from the 50-race per day limit on imported races.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1587 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - California Horse Racing Board: public records: votes.](#)

This bill requires the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) to post the public record of every vote on its internet website. Additionally, the CHRB may require fingerprint images and associated information from current or prospective employees, current or prospective contractors, and current or prospective licensees to bring them into compliance with federal requirements.

Status: Chapter 536, Statutes of 2021

[AB-2012 \(Aguiar-Curry\) - Horse racing: harness racing: Metro Pace.](#)

This bill adds the Metro Pace to the list of races that, on the day when the race is conducted, California Horse Racing Board may authorize a California harness racing association conducting a live racing meeting to accept wagers on the full card of races conducted by another racing association.

Status: Ordered to the Senate Inactive File

[AB-2471 \(Cooper\) - Horse racing: unlicensed penalty.](#)

This bill would change the penalty from a “misdemeanor” to a “felony” for a person to knowingly hold or conduct any meeting or activity where there is horse racing and betting on the results, as specified, without first having procured a California Horse Racing Board license.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-2736 \(Santiago\) - Horse racing: Breeders' Cup World Championship.](#)

This bill requires distribution of funds, which would have otherwise gone to a purse account, to a thoroughbred racing association hosting the Breeders' Cup World Championship, not just the organization operating the series. The bill repeals the requirement that the thoroughbred racing association hosting the Breeders' Cup consult and cooperate with a now-defunct statewide marketing organization when entering into an agreement with the organization operating the Breeders' Cup regarding how to expend those funds to promote the Breeders' Cup.

Status: Ordered to the Senate Inactive File

[AB-2812 \(Bigelow\) - Horse racing: minisatellite wagering facilities.](#)

This bill clarifies that “live” includes “live in-state” races as part of an organizations racing program; and, makes various technical and non-substantive changes to the Horse Racing Law including the deletion of an obsolete provision.

Status: Ordered to the Senate Inactive File

[AB-2969 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - Horse racing: out-of-state thoroughbred races: Blue Grass Stakes.](#)

This bill adds the Blue Grass Stakes to the group of out-of-state horseraces that are exempt from the 50-race per day limit on imported races in California and make clarifying changes to the backstretch personnel pension plan, as specified.

Status: Chapter 503, Statutes of 2022

[SB-494 \(Dodd\) - Horse racing: out-of-state thoroughbred races: Delaware Handicap.](#)

This bill adds the Delaware Handicap to the group of out-of-state horseraces that are exempt from the 50-race per day limit on imported races in California.

* The bill was gut and amended in the Assembly to deal with law enforcement training.

Status: Passed the Senate but was gut and amended in the Assembly

[SB-820 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - Horse racing: state-designated fairs: allocation of revenues: gross receipts for sales and use tax.](#)

This bill makes specified changes related to the calculation of revenues for California fairs derived from sales tax collected on state-designated fairgrounds.

Status: Chapter 393, Statutes of 2021

[SB-1403 \(Jones\) - Horse racing: satellite wagering: out-of-country thoroughbred races.](#)

Authorizes a thoroughbred racing association or fair to accept wagers on out-of-country races up to 6:30 p.m., Pacific Standard Time, on the first Saturday in November, as specified.

Status: Ordered to the Assembly Inactive File

Indian Gaming

[AB-957 \(Salas\) - Tribal gaming: compact ratification.](#)

This bill ratifies two separate tribal-state gaming compacts between the State of California and the Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California and the Santa Rosa Indian Community of the Santa Rosa Rancheria.

Status: Chapter 286, Statutes of 2021.

[AB-1155 \(Salas\) - Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund.](#)

This bill restates in statute the second priority for funding from the Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund (IGSDF) to the Office of Problem Gaming (OPG). The bill also declares the purpose of IGSDF funding is for OPG to develop and provide quality statewide prevention and treatment programs and services for the people of California to address gambling disorders.

Status: Ordered to the Assembly Inactive File

[AB-1170 \(Bigelow\) - Tribal gaming: compact ratification.](#)

The bill would have ratified the tribal-state gaming compact entered into between the State of California and the Table Mountain Rancheria, executed on August 10, 2021.

Status: Never heard by the Senate Governmental Organization Committee

[SB-302 \(Dodd\) - Tribal gaming: compact ratification.](#)

This bill ratifies a tribal-state gaming compact between the State of California and the Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians of California.

Status: Chapter 290, Statutes of 2021

[SB-559 \(Hurtado\) - Tribal gaming: compact ratification.](#)

This bill ratifies a tribal-state gaming compact between the State of California and the Santa Rosa Indian Community of the Santa Rosa Rancheria, California, executed on August 18, 2022.

Status: Chapter 467, Statutes of 2022

[SB-898 \(Dodd\) - Tribal gaming: compact amendment ratification.](#)

This bill ratifies 29 separate amendments to extend the terms, up to 18 months, of the 1999 tribal-state gaming compacts between the State of California and specified tribes.

Status: Chapter 19, Statutes of 2022

[SB-900 \(Hurtado\) - Tribal gaming: compact ratification.](#)

This bill ratifies two separate tribal-state gaming compacts between the State of California and the Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California and the Santa Rosa Indian Community of the Santa Rosa Rancheria.

Status: Chapter 18, Statutes of 2022

[SB-910 \(Hurtado\) - Tribal gaming: compact ratification.](#)

This bill ratifies a tribal-state gaming compact between the State of California and the Tejon Indian Tribe, executed on August 17, 2022.

Status: Chapter 470, Statutes of 2022

Lottery

[AB-1212 \(Wood\) - California State Lottery: audits.](#)

The bill would require, rather than authorize, the California State Lottery to issue a public report of any annual post audit and post it on the internet.

The bill was gut and amended in the Assembly to ratify a tribal-state gaming compact entered into between the State of California and the following tribes: the Cahto Tribe of the Laytonville Rancheria, the Resighini Rancheria, and the Sherwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California. The bill was a placeholder that did not move forward.

Status: The bill was gut and amended in the Assembly

[AB-1479 \(Quirk-Silva\) - Lottery tickets: delivery service.](#)

This bill would create an exception to that criminal prohibition by authorizing a business that is not a lottery game retailer to purchase lottery tickets from an authorized lottery game retailer on behalf of an individual who orders those tickets through an internet website or mobile application operated by the business if certain conditions are met, including that the business verifies that an individual who orders lottery tickets through the internet website or mobile application is 18 years of age or older and is located in the state at the time the tickets are ordered. The bill would prohibit the business from receiving a commission on any winning lottery ticket, but would authorize the business to charge a service fee to an individual who orders lottery tickets through the business' internet website or mobile application.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[SB-818 \(Committee on Governmental Organization\) - California State Lottery.](#)

This bill requires the Director of the California State Lottery (Lottery), on or before August 1, 2022, to conduct a study to determine the optimal prize payout rate to maximize the amount of funding allocated to public education and requires the Director to recalculate the optimal prize payout rate at least once every five years. In addition, the bill requires the California State Lottery Commission, beginning with the 2023-24 fiscal year, and consistent with the above formula, to use the optimal prize payout rate to set the lottery's budget each year.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

Open Meeting Laws

[AB-29 \(Cooper\) - State bodies: meetings.](#)

This bill expands the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act to require a state body to post all writings and materials online the same day they are disseminated to the members of the governing body of the agency, or at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting, whichever is earlier.

Status: Held by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

[AB-885 \(Quirk\) - Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act: teleconferencing.](#)

This bill amended the Bagley-Keene Act to require a state body that elects to conduct a meeting or proceeding by teleconference to make the portion that is required to be open to the public both audibly and visually observable. The bill would require a state body that elects to conduct a meeting or proceeding by teleconference to post an agenda at the designated primary physical meeting location in the notice of the meeting where members of the public may physically attend the meeting and participate. The bill would extend the above requirements of meetings of multimember advisory bodies that are held by teleconference to meetings of all multimember state bodies. The bill would require a multimember state body to provide a means by which the public may both audibly and visually remotely observe a meeting if a member of that body participates remotely.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1291 \(Frazier\) - State bodies: open meetings.](#)

This bill requires a state body, when it limits time for public comment, to provide at least twice the allotted time to a member of the public who utilizes translating technology.

Status: Chapter 63, Statutes of 2021

[AB-1733 \(Quirk\) - State bodies: open meetings.](#)

This bill provides specified exemptions from the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Act) for state bodies that conduct meetings via teleconference. Revises the requirements of the Bagley-Keene to provide the public remote access to every meeting and allow members of state bodies to participate 100 percent remotely, while removing existing provisions of the Act that require each teleconference location to be identified in the notice and agenda and accessible to the public.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1795 \(Fong\) - Open meetings: remote participation.](#)

This bill would require state bodies, subject to existing laws and exceptions (Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act), to provide all persons the ability to participate both in-person and remotely, as defined, in any meeting and to address the body remotely.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

Outdoor Advertising

SB-1309 (Durazo) - Outdoor advertising displays: exemptions.

This bill extends the special provisions authorizing outdoor advertising for sports arenas to January 1, 2028, as specified, and requires the California Department of Transportation prescreening for new advertising signs to determine compliance with federal law and California's obligations to the Federal Highway Administration. The bill would reduce the length of time of a sponsorship marketing plan to qualify for the above-described exemption to a period of not less than 120 days (currently at least one year). The bill would require an owner of an advertising display exempt from the act that is constructed on or after January 1, 2023, to follow specified labor standards during construction of the advertising display, including securing the use of a skilled and trained workforce, as defined, to complete the advertising display, except as specified.

Status: Vetoed

Governor's Veto Message:

Governor's veto message: To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1309 without my signature.

This bill would authorize additional sports arena billboards to be constructed until January 1, 2028, if authorized by local ordinance or other discretionary approval.

While I appreciate that revenues generated by these billboards provide certain local economic benefits, this bill disregards recent correspondence from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), which indicates that the state's transportation funding is at risk due to federal regulations restricting the use of this kind of advertisement.

Caltrans has been officially notified that the existing arena billboards do not comply with federal law and exemptions in state law do not provide Caltrans with the ability to maintain effective control of outdoor advertising. The potential impact to California of falling out of FHWA compliance could be a reduction of over \$400 million of federal transportation funding annually.

For this reason, I am unable to sign this bill. However, I fully support modernizing federal requirements and encourage supporters of this legislation to work with my Administration on those efforts.

Sincerely,
Gavin Newsom

State Bodies and Meetings

[AB-559 \(Arambula\) - San Joaquin River Conservancy: governing board.](#)

Revises and expands the governing board of San Joaquin River Conservancy (SJRC); amends the qualifications, appointment, and chair selection processes; and makes SJRC subject to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

Status: Chapter 171, Statutes of 2021

[AB-884 \(Patterson\) - State agencies: audits.](#)

This bill would require all state agencies with an aggregate spending of \$50,000,000 or more annually to establish an ongoing audit function and specifying Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act requirements. The bill would require the state agency to post audit findings and recommendations on its internet website within 5 days of reporting its audit findings and recommendations, as described.

Status: Held by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

[AB-1831 \(Seyarto\) - The Alfred E. Alquist Seismic Safety Commission: membership.](#)

This bill would require the members of The Alfred E. Alquist Seismic Safety Commission membership to represent the field of developmental disability services.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

State Holidays, Seals, and Official Acts

[AB-53 \(Low\) - Election Day Holiday.](#)

This bill eliminates Washington Day and instead makes the November statewide general election a state holiday in even-numbered years. This bill maintains Washington Day as a state holiday in odd-numbered years when there is no statewide general election.

Status: Held by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

[AB-1432 \(Low\) - LGBTQ+ Pride Month.](#)

This bill requires the Governor to proclaim the month of June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month.

Status: Chapter 947, Statutes of 2022

[AB-1655 \(Jones-Sawyer\) - State holidays: Juneteenth.](#)

This bill adds June 19, known as "Juneteenth," to the list of state holidays, requires public schools, as specified, to close on June 19, and authorizes specified state employees to elect to take time off with pay in recognition of Juneteenth, as specified.

Status: Chapter 753, Statutes of 2022

[AB-1741 \(Low\) - Transgender Day of Remembrance.](#)

This bill requires the Governor to annually proclaim November 20 as "Transgender Day of Remembrance."

Status: Chapter 41, Statutes of 2022

[AB-1801 \(Nazarian\) - State holidays: Genocide Awareness Day.](#)

This bill would add April 24, known as "Genocide Remembrance Day," to the list of state holidays. The bill would authorize community colleges and public schools to close on April 24, known as "Genocide Remembrance Day," as specified. The bill would authorize state employees to elect to take time off with pay in recognition of "Genocide Remembrance Day," as specified.

Status: Chapter 761, Statutes of 2022

[AB-1872 \(Low\) - Election Day Holiday.](#)

This bill makes the day of a statewide general election in even-numbered years a state holiday, and eliminates Washington Day (sometimes referred to as Presidents' Day) as a holiday in those years.

Status: Held by the Assembly Appropriations Committee

[AB-2596 \(Low\) - Lunar New Year Holiday.](#)

Recognizes Lunar New Year as a state holiday and authorizes eligible state employees to elect to receive eight hours of holiday credit for that date in lieu of receiving eight hours of personal credit, as provided.

Status: Chapter 792, Statutes of 2022

[AB-2868 \(Choi\) - Year-round daylight saving time.](#)

Would set California's standard time to year-round daylight saving time, if the federal government authorizes such a change, as specified.

Status: Failed passage on the Assembly Floor

[SB-721 \(Hueso\) - California Farmworker Day.](#)

This bill would designate August 26 of each year as California Farmworker Day, and requires the Governor to annually proclaim August 26 as California Farmworker Day.

Status: Chapter 496, Statutes of 2021

Tobacco

[AB-422 \(Friedman\) - Tobacco products: individuals under 21 years of age.](#)

This bill would expressly authorize a city, county, or city and county to adopt an ordinance prohibiting a person under 21 years of age from possessing any tobacco cigarette or other tobacco product. The penalty under the ordinance would be the issuance of an administrative citation requiring the person to participate in an antismoking educational program. The bill would additionally authorize the ordinance to require the confiscation of a tobacco product from a person under 18 years of age, as specified. The bill's prohibitions would not apply with respect to active duty military personnel who are 18 years of age or older.

Status: Never heard by the Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

[AB-1742 \(Robert Rivas\) - California Cigarette Fire Safety and Firefighter Protection Act: Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement.](#)

This bill revises the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Tax Law to provide the Attorney General and the Department of Justice with enhanced ability to enforce the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement. The bill also provides that the California Cigarette Fire Safety and Firefighter Protection Act is to be administered by the Attorney General (AG) instead of the State Fire Marshal, and that proposed markings of cigarette manufacturers are deemed approved if the AG fails to act within 30 days instead of the existing requirement of 10 days.

Status: Chapter 454, Statutes of 2022