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ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

AB 461 **Achadjian** Chapter 110, Statutes of 2013

Authorizes the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue no more than five new original on-sale general licenses, over a three-year period, for bona fide public eating-places in the County of San Luis Obispo.

AB 520 **Chesbro** Chapter 777, Statutes of 2014

Deletes an existing provision of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act that grants a winery or distilled spirits manufacturer the privilege of conducting instructional consumer tastings at on-sale retail licensed premises and recasts that provision to create a new Section of law that accounts for updates in the ABC Act and for code conformity purposes.

AB 525 **Ting** Chapter 235, Statutes of 2013

Creates a new special on-sale general license in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act that enables the operator of any for-profit theater, as specified, located within the City and County of San Francisco, to serve alcoholic beverages during certain hours in specified areas of the theater.

AB 593 **Quirk** Chapter 502, Statutes of 2013

Makes changes to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act including: (1) exempting an applicant for on-sale or off-sale licenses from existing publication requirements, as specified; (2) requiring the Department of Alcoholic beverage Control by January 1, 2016, to promulgate regulations regarding responding to protests filed under specified provisions; and (3) specifying requirements for submitting a protest.

AB 600 **Bonta** Chapter 139, Statutes of 2014

Extends an existing “tied-house” exception in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act pertaining to the general prohibition against advertising arrangements between retail, wholesale and manufacturer licensees to include an outdoor stadium with a fixed seating capacity of at least 68,000 seats located in the City of Santa Clara (Levi’s Stadium – new home of the San Francisco 49ers).

AB 636 **Hall** Chapter 329, Statutes of 2013

Permits a winegrower, California winegrower’s agent, importer, or other specified parties appearing at an instructional event, as specified, to provide autographs to consumers or consumer advertising specialties given by the person to a consumer or on any item provided by a consumer; and prohibits a requirement of the purchase of any alcoholic beverage in connection with such autographing.

AB 647 **Chesbro** Chapter 686, Statutes of 2013

Adds clarity to existing provisions of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act relative to labeling requirements for the refilling of off-sale consumer-sized beer containers, known as "growlers," by beer manufacturers, and the serving of beer, as specified, by a beer manufacturer or brewpub-restaurant licensee; and makes technical code maintenance changes.

AB 779 **Bocanegra** Chapter 379, Statutes of 2013

Adds a new provision to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act that grants beer manufacturers producing more than 60,000 barrels of beer per year the privilege of also manufacturing "cider or perry" at their licensed premises and to sell the product to any licensee authorized to sell wine.

AB 782 **Bocanegra** Chapter 242, Statutes of 2013

Adds a provision to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act to permit an on-sale retail licensee that obtained a caterer's permit to return unused and unopened beer, purchased for sale at the catered event, to the original selling licensee, as specified.

AB 816 **Hall** Bill amended out of G.O. jurisdiction

This bill merges code sections within the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act pertaining to direct requests from consumers to non-retail alcoholic beverage purveyors seeking information as to where specific brands are available on the retail market. The bill consolidates the individual authorizations for providing information regarding on-sale and off-sale retail licensees carrying the product requested.

Bill amended to deal with public utility: energy efficiency program.

AB 933 **Skinner/Hall** Chapter 366, Statutes of 2013

Grants licensed distilled spirits manufacturers and licensed brandy manufacturers the privilege to conduct consumer tastings on their licensed premises and to charge for those tastings, as defined.

AB 1116 **Hall** Chapter 461, Statutes of 2013

Expands an existing provision of law that permits certain alcoholic beverage producers to hold private, free-of-charge, invitational-only promotional events, with entertainment, food and beverages, for a limited number of consumers over 21 years of age and subject to specified conditions, to also allow such events to be held on the premises of a licensed "hotel," as defined; and extends the sunset from January 1, 2014, to January 1, 2018.

AB 1128 **Salas** Vetoed by Governor

Increases the penalty for knowingly selling, purchasing for, furnishing or giving alcohol to a person under 21 who drinks the alcohol and then proximately causes death or bodily injury to himself, herself, or another to a discretionary misdemeanor or felony.

AB 1424 G.O. Committee

Chapter 796, Statutes of 2014

Permits winegrowers and beer manufacturers to describe the "composition" of their products, in addition to other characteristics already permitted, when engaging in tastings or instructional events for their licensees or employees. Corrects a drafting error for an existing tied-house exception in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act relative to the general prohibition against advertising arrangements between retail, wholesale and manufacturer licensees that is applicable to Levi's Stadium in the County of Santa Clara.

AB 1425 G.O. Committee

Chapter 463, Statutes of 2013

Requires the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control to post its annual report of activities on its Internet Web site and deletes outdated references concerning wine-blenders. The bill allows beer or wine made for personal or family use to be donated to a non-profit organization and used at a fundraising event conducted by the organization, if ABC issues a license or permit, as specified. In addition, the bill deletes an existing tied-house exception "sunset" pertaining to the San Francisco Symphony.

AB 1928 Bocanegra

Chapter 145, Statutes of 2014

Prohibits a beer manufacturer or a beer wholesaler from offering, promoting, or redeeming coupons, as defined, and also prohibits an alcoholic beverage retail licensee from accepting or redeeming any type of coupon that is funded, produced or promoted by a beer manufacturer or beer wholesaler, as defined.

AB 1989 Chesbro

Chapter 162, Statutes of 2014

Creates a narrow exception to current Alcoholic Beverage Control Act provisions relating to consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages by underage persons by allowing students who are at least 18 years of age and enrolled in degree granting programs in enology or brewing at accredited public postsecondary educational institutions to taste, but not consume, an alcoholic beverage for educational purposes as part of the instruction in a course required for a degree.

AB 2004 Chesbro

Chapter 806, Statutes of 2014

Authorizes a licensed beer manufacturer to apply to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for a certified farmers' market beer sales permit which allows the licensee to sell packaged beer at a farmers' market, including any specified area, under certain conditions; and expands a licensed beer manufacturer's privileges under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act by authorizing a beer manufacturer to sell or serve all beers and wines, regardless of source, to guests during private events held on the licensed beer manufacturer's premises.

AB 2010 Gray

Chapter 808, Statutes of 2014

Adds beer that a brewer considers to have "product quality" issues to the list of conditions under which beer may be returned to a wholesaler or manufacturer, subject to Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control approval. In addition, this bill repeals an existing Section of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act relating to duplicate licenses and the sale and delivery of beer from branch offices and recasts those provisions, as specified.

Creates a new exception in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act with respect to the prohibition against the possession, consumption and sale of alcoholic beverages in any public school (K-14) or any grounds thereof.

Modifies a provision of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, which currently allows a licensed winegrower to apply for a wine sales event permit allowing wine to be sold at fairs and cultural events for a maximum of five consecutive days to, instead, make the permit valid for the entire duration of the event.

Adds metal kegs to an existing provision of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act that prohibits the obliteration, mutilation, or marking out of a manufacturer's name on returnable beer containers or cartons made of wood or fiberboard.

Expands an existing provision of the Alcoholic Beverage Control, which currently allows a licensed winemaker, under specified conditions, to sell estate grown wine at certified farmers' markets to also grant the licensed winemaker the privilege of conducting limited wine tastings for consumers at farmers' markets under certain circumstances.

Adds a new provision to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act that allows nonprofit organizations established for promoting home brewing to serve beer at fundraising events subject to specified conditions; and provides that home brewed beer or wine may only be provided or served within a clearly identified area.

Reduces the distance of the existing alcohol sales exclusion zone in proximity to La Sierra College (currently known as La Sierra University), in the City of Riverside, from one mile to one-half mile.

Provides a tied-house exception to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act pertaining to the general prohibition against advertising arrangements between retail, wholesale, manufacturer licensees, and the Los Angeles Forum in the City of Inglewood.

SB 533 **Knight** Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Adds clarity to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act by modifying language pertaining to labeling and refilling requirements for returnable beer containers known as growlers.

SB 818 **G.O. Committee** Chapter 337, Statutes of 2013

Add a provision allowing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue and charge a \$1 fee to the holder of a public warehouse license for a duplicate of that license for each additional warehouse operated by the licensee; clarify that warehouse licenses, as specified, are "public warehouse licenses;" and state that "duplicate public warehouse license" only applies to instances where ABC has issued a duplicate public warehouse license.

SB 1040 **Evans** Bill amended out of G.O. jurisdiction

Updates an existing provision of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act relative to false representations of a wines appellation made on the producers' label, business material, and advertising matter to also include representations made on "bottles" and in an "electronic" format.

SB 1401 **Block** Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Authorizes the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to hire six additional full-time staff to its trade enforcement unit and makes it explicit that the ABC has the authority to investigate violations relating to beer price posting and marketing regulations and provisions relating to labeling and containers.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

AB 355 **Cooley** Bill amended out of G.O. jurisdiction

Appropriates \$1 million from the General Fund to the Emergency Medical Services Authority to continue the Mobile Field Hospital Program and makes legislative findings and declarations.

Initially the bill was sent to Suspense File in Senate Appropriations, it was later amended to become a Property Tax bill.

AB 918 **Cooley** Chapter 187, Statutes of 2013

Requires the Office of Emergency Services, on or before July 31, 2015, to update the State Emergency Plan to include proposed best practices for local governments and nongovernmental entities to use to mobilize and evacuate people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs during an emergency or natural disaster.

AB 1073 **Torres** Bill died in Senate G.O. Committee

Requires the Office of Emergency Services to develop a universal insignia, on or before January 1, 2015, that may be displayed on badges worn by a properly qualified and certified utility worker or technician that will enable the person to gain access to a location subject to a disaster or other emergency to provide vital utility services.

AB 1598 **Rodriguez** Chapter 668, Statutes of 2014

Requires fire, law enforcement, and emergency medical services agencies to jointly establish standard operating procedures and coordinated training programs for active shooter incidents.

AB 1620 **Rodriguez** Vetoed by Governor

Establishes the California Emergency Management and Disaster Preparedness Commission, consisting of at least 14 members, to assess and improve the condition of the state's emergency preparedness, management, and disaster recovery capabilities.

SB 135 **Padilla** Chapter 342, Statutes of 2013

Makes various findings and declarations relative to the nature of earthquakes and early warning technology and requires the Office of Emergency Services, in collaboration with the California Institute of Technology, the California Geological Survey, the University of California, the U.S. Geological Survey, the Alfred E. Alquist Seismic Safety Commission, and others, to develop a comprehensive statewide earthquake early warning system in California and requires the system to include certain features, including the installation of field sensors; and makes these provisions contingent upon OES identifying funding sources for the system, as provided.

SB 1211 Padilla

Chapter 926, Statutes of 2014

Requires the Office of Emergency Services to develop a plan and timeline of target dates for testing, implementing, and operating a Next Generation 911 emergency communication system, including text to 911 services, throughout California.

SB 1417 Jackson

Chapter 227, Statutes of 2014

Extends the date on which the state's ratification and approval of the Emergency Management Assistance Compact becomes inoperative from March 1, 2015 to March 1, 2018, and extends the repeal date thereof from January 1, 2016 to January 1, 2019.

STATE FIRE MARSHAL/FIRE SAFETY

AB 462 **Stone** Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Requires a residential care facility for the elderly or adult residential facilities that has a valid license as of January 1, 2014, to have installed and maintained on and after January 1, 2018, an operable automatic fire sprinkler system approved by the State Fire Marshal.

AB 2162 **Fox** Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Requires a residential care facility for the elderly, as defined, or an adult residential facility, as defined, that has a valid license as of January 1, 2015, to have installed and maintained on and after January 1, 2019, an operable automatic fire sprinkler system approved by the State Fire Marshal.

SB 816 **Health Committee** Chapter 289, Statutes of 2013

Makes the State Fire Marshal, rather than the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, responsible for the development of building standards for hospice facilities, and makes other minor and technical corrections to law related to hospice facilities and intellectual disabilities.

GAMBLING

AB 356 **Waldron** Died at Assembly Desk

Would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to the provisions of the gambling Control Act.

AB 654 **Hall** Bill amended out of G.O. jurisdiction

Requires the Gaming Policy Advisory Committee to meet at least twice a year and requires the California Gambling Control Commission to consult with the GPAC on recommended proposed regulations.

Bill amended to deal with the collection of certified farmers' market operator fees and enforcement provisions of direct marketing.

AB 820 **Gomez** Died in Senate G.O. Committee

Delete the provisions authorizing a gambling establishment to waive the collection of fees and would also delete the provisions authorizing the assessment of flat fees for each wager. The bill would instead specify that in games that feature a player-dealer position, the player-dealer shall be required to pay a fee to the gambling establishment for each hand or round of play and each player shall be required to pay a fee from his or her own funds to the gambling establishment for each wager made in every hand or round of play. The bill would require all fees to be approved by the department, but would prohibit the department from approving a fee schedule for any player-dealer game unless the fee paid by each player on each wager is not less than 1/3 of the amount of the fee paid by the player-dealer in each hand or round of play.

AB 1039 **Hall** Chapter 745, Statutes of 2013

Allows a city, county, or city and county to amend its local ordinance on a one-time basis in order to increase by two the number of tables above the number of tables authorized by local ordinance that is currently in effect on January 1, 2013.

AB 1103 **Hall** Died in Senate G.O. Committee

Clarifies that for purpose of defining slot machines, only amusement machines or devices that do not offer money or any item that can be redeemed for money as a prize are excluded from the definition of a slot machine.

AB 1332 **Hagman** Chapter 273, Statutes of 2013

Allows California State Lottery prizewinners to assign any portion of their last three years of prize winnings to another person or entity.

AB 1342 **Jones-Sawyer** Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Would require the Department of Justice and the California Gambling Control Commission to establish an enhanced fee schedule for applicants who wish to have their applications processed and background investigations conducted in an expedited manner.

AB 1439 **Salas** Chapter 592, Statutes of 2014

Prohibits any person, when conducting a contest or sweepstakes, from using an electronic video monitor to simulate gambling or play gambling-themed games that offers the opportunity to win sweepstakes cash, cash equivalent prizes, or other prizes of value.

AB 1691 **Jones-Sawyer** Died in Assembly Appropriations Committee

Authorizes a private, nonprofit organization established by, or affiliated with a professional sports organizations to conduct a 50/50 raffle to directly support charitable purposes in California.

AB 1895 **Bonta** Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Would have made technical, non-substantive changes to the Gambling Control Act.

AB 2291 **Jones-Sawyer** Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Would establish a framework to authorize intrastate Internet poker, as specified.

SB 356 **Yee** Died in Assembly Appropriations Committee

Would have allowed a person or entity with a financial interest in a foreign gambling operation to retain a gambling license if that person or entity has been licensed in good standing as an owner for at least five years as of January 1, 2013. The bill required the person to notify the Gambling Control Commission and the Department of Justice and receive GCC approval.

SB 472 **Hill** Chapter 760, Statutes of 2013

Created a three-year licensing exemption for the owners of the card room located at Hollywood Park Racetrack by authorizing the California Gambling Control Commission to exempt specified limited partners in limited partnerships from specified licensing requirements.

SB 678 **Correa** Died in Senate G.O. Committee

Would establish a framework to authorize intrastate Internet poker, as specified.

SB 817 **G.O. Committee** Chapter 152, Statutes of 2013

Allows the California State Lottery to provide for the witnessing of out-of-state lottery drawings via live audio or video.

INDIAN GAMING

AB 277 **Hall** Chapter 51, Statutes of 2013

Ratifies tribal-state gaming compacts entered into between the State of California and the North Fork Rancheria Band of Mono Indians of California, executed on August 31, 2012, and the State of California and the Wiyot Tribe, executed on March 20, 2013.

AB 328 **V. Manuel Perez** Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Would require the California Gambling Control Commission, if it is determined that there is an insufficient amount in the Indian Gaming Revenue Sharing Trust Fund in a fiscal year to distribute the quarterly payments pursuant to these provisions to each eligible recipient Indian tribe, to direct a portion of a specified revenue contribution pursuant to certain tribal-state gaming compacts that would otherwise be deposited into the General Fund, to instead be deposited into the Indian Gaming Revenue Sharing Trust Fund to increase the revenue contribution to that fund in an amount sufficient to ensure the fund has sufficient resources for each eligible recipient Indian tribe to receive the full \$275,000 quarterly payments.

AB 1042 **Hall** Chapter 746, Statutes of 2013

Makes modifications to an existing provision of law that requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the California Gambling Control Commission to calculate the total revenue in the Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund that will be available for the current budget year for local government agencies impacted by tribal gaming. In addition, the bill appropriates \$13 million from the SDF to the CGCC to provide grants to local agencies for the 2013-14 fiscal year.

The Governor blue-penciled the appropriation from \$13,000,000 to \$9,100,000.

AB 1245 **V. Manuel Perez** Chapter 462, Statutes of 2013

Ratifies a tribal-state gaming compact between the State of California and the Ramona Band of Cahuilla, executed on June 10, 2013.

AB 1267 **Hall** Chapter 6, Statutes of 2013

Ratifies the amendment to a tribal-state gaming compact entered into between the State of California and the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, executed on November 15, 2012.

AB 1426 **G.O. Committee** Died on Senate Floor

Reorganizes statutes pertaining to Indian gaming compacts primarily by moving them to a newly created Title 16.5 on Tribal Gaming in the Government Code; and makes other minor, technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

AB 1916 Hall

Chapter 600, Statutes of 2014

Creates the Tribal Nation Grant Fund in the State Treasury, to be administered by the California Gambling Control Commission, for the receipt and deposit of monies received by the state from Indian tribes pursuant to the terms of tribal-state gaming compacts.

AB 2066 Hall

Died on Senate Floor

Deletes obsolete allocation provisions from fiscal year 2003-04 relating to the Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund: and makes other technical changes.

SB 668 Fuller

Chapter 67, Statutes of 2013

Ratifies the tribal-state gaming compact entered into between the State of California and the Fort Independence Indian Community of Paiute Indians, executed on February 28, 2013.

HORSE RACING

AB 432 **V. Manuel Perez** Chapter 264, Statutes of 2013

Requires any racing association or racing fair receiving distributions from any exchange wagering agreement to distribute a specified portion of that revenue to the official registering agency, which is required to distribute those revenues in a specified manner.

AB 1074 **Atkins** Chapter 428, Statutes of 2013

Extends the sunset date by one year for the statewide marketing organization that is responsible for marketing and promoting thoroughbred and fair horse racing and also makes adjustments to existing Horse Racing Law to allow the California Horse Racing Board to adjust racing dates in the central and southern zones in order to address the scheduling issues resulting from the impending closure of Hollywood Park racetrack.

AB 1154 **Gray** Died in Assembly Appropriations Committee

Removes the current equine medical director (EMD) from his position by January 1, 2018, and provides that after January 1, 2014, the EMD at the Kenneth L. Maddy Equine Analytical Chemistry Laboratory located at the University of California at Davis shall serve for a term of two years and is limited to two consecutive terms. However, there is no limit to the number of non-consecutive terms a person may serve.

AB 1226 **Hall** Chapter 434, Statutes of 2013

Adds a new Section to Horse Racing Law requiring the California Horse Racing Board not to permit any portion of any entry, nomination, or other fee paid by any owner to be deducted from a jockey riding fee unless the entry, nomination, or other fee is paid exclusively by the owner and not reimbursed by any other person or entity.

AB 1303 **Hall** Chapter 7, Statutes of 2013

Allows a racing association to enter into an agreement to operate a live race meet at the Alameda County Fair in the northern zone provided the California Horse Racing Board grants approval. Additionally, it extends by three years an existing sunset date to allow a thoroughbred racing association in the northern zone to deduct up to 4% of the in-state satellite-wagering handle to offset simulcast-operating expenses.

AB 1347 **Gray** Died on Senate Floor

Adds the "Wood Memorial" to the group of stake races in Horse Racing Law which are exempt from the 50-race per day limit on imported races.

AB 1423 **G.O. Committee** Chapter 435, Statutes of 2013

Corrects an oversight in existing Horse Racing Law governing the distribution of funds from advanced deposit wagering for harness racing by the California Exposition and State Fair (Cal Expo) and adds clarity with respect to the timeframe for distribution of exchange wagering revenues that provide health and welfare benefits to jockeys and their dependents.

AB 2005 **Chesbro/Levine** Vetoed by Governor

Expands the membership of the California Horse Racing Board from seven to nine members, by adding two members of the Legislature (one appointed by the Senate Rules Committee and one appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly) as non-voting, ex-officio members.

AB 2592 **Chesbro/Levine** Vetoed by Governor

Adds a new provision to California Horse Racing Law that requires the California Horse Racing Board to complete an economic analysis when it receives a proposal to make a "substantial change" to the number of days a fair conducts horse racing or to the weeks in the horse racing calendar allocated to that fair to conduct a live race meet.

AB 2637 **Hall** Chapter 241, Statutes of 2014

Makes substantive and clarifying changes to California Horse Racing Law including (1) increasing the minimum distribution from charity day horse racing required to be allocated to charities associated with the horse racing industry from 20% to 30%; (2) deleting the California Horse Racing Board's (CHRB) authority to annually allocate a maximum of 28 racing days to any county fair in the northern zone which did not conduct horse racing prior to January 1, 1985; and (3) correcting an outdated cross-reference in the law and making other minor code maintenance changes.

AB 2655 **Hall** Chapter 149, Statutes of 2014

Adds the Apple Blossom Handicap to the group of stake races in Horse Racing Law which are exempt from the 50-race per day limit on imported races.

AB 2765 **G.O. Committee** Chapter 430, Statutes of 2014

Extends the sunset date from January 1, 2015, to January 1, 2019, for the statewide marketing organization that is responsible for marketing and promoting Thoroughbred and fair horse racing in California. Authorizes California Thoroughbred owners to deduct a portion of their purse pools to participate in the "national marketing" association, the National Thoroughbred Racing Association.

SB 398 **Galgiani** Vetoed by Governor

Provides that revenue raised by horse racing associations, from their mandated charity racing days, may be distributed to a nonprofit corporation or trust that has as its sole purpose the support of recognized fairs or the network of California fairs, and extends a sunset date.

SB 721

Padilla

Chapter 50, Statutes of 2014

Authorizes the Los Angeles County Fair, subject to approval from California Horse Racing Board, to conduct live races at another licensed thoroughbred racing facility in Los Angeles County or the southern zone (Los Alamitos), and allows LACF to contract for the operation and management of those races. Clarifies that CHRB may not allocate racing dates to a thoroughbred racing association in the central or southern zones if a fair racing association is conducting racing in either zone on the same dates. Expands the definition of "proposition pari-mutuel pool" to include thoroughbred racing; deletes obsolete references; and makes other technical changes.

SB 741

Cannella

Died in Assembly Appropriations Committee

Makes substantive changes to current law related to the operation, oversight, and funding of the network of California fairs.

SB 777

Hernandez

Chapter 6, Statutes of 2014

Reestablishes provisions in Horse Racing Law which sunset on January 1, 2014. The provisions required a Thoroughbred racing association, racing fair, quarter horse racing association or harness racing association that conducts a racing meeting to deduct a specified percentage of the total amount handled in exotic pari-mutuel pools on live races, to be distributed to a specified organization for the purpose of defraying costs of workers' compensation insurance for trainers and owners in connection with live horse racing, as defined.

SB 819

G.O. Committee

Chapter 438, Statutes of 2013

Modifies an existing provision of Horse Racing Law that requires certain purse account funds be used to promote and support the Breeders' Cup by expanding the use of those funds to include the "payment of purses in Breeders' Cup World Championship races."

SB 1003

Evans

Bill amended out of G.O. jurisdiction

Increases from 50 to 55 the limitation on the total number of out-of-state thoroughbred races that may be imported per day by a thoroughbred association or fair that is conducting a live race meet with approval by the California Horse Racing Board.

Bill amended to deal with Personal Income Tax Law.

OFFICES OF THE GOVERNOR, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, STATE CONTROLLER, & STATE TREASURER

AB 393 **Cooley** Chapter 124, Statutes of 2013

Requires the Director of the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development to ensure that Go-Biz's Internet Web site contains information on the fee requirements and fee schedules of state agencies.

AB 960 **Campos** Chapter 197, Statutes of 2013

Requires one of the seven public members appointed by the Governor to serve on the Commission on the Status of Women and Girls to be a veteran or a member of the military.

AB 1298 **Beth Gaines** Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Would authorize the Governor to establish a California Emergency Technology Guard, comprised of volunteers with expertise in science and technology, to assist the state and local governments in preparing for and responding to damage to vital information and communications systems during an emergency.

OUTDOOR ADVERTISING

AB 2441 **Mullin**

Bill amended out of G.O. jurisdiction

Prohibits an advertising display visible from a highway that appears to be an official public agency changeable message sign.

The bill passed off the Assembly floor but was amended on the Senate floor to deal with the Public Utilities Commission.

SB 31 **Padilla**

Chapter 542, Statutes of 2013

Allows arenas to display advertising for products, goods, or services sold on premises as well as part of a sponsorship marketing plan if the arena is on public land and has a capacity of 15,000 or more seats.

SB 684 **Hill**

Chapter 544, Statutes of 2013

Amends the redevelopment agency exemption to the Outdoor Advertising Act to reflect the elimination of redevelopment agencies.

SB 694 **Correa**

Chapter 545, Statutes of 2013

Exempts, from the Outdoor Advertising Act, advertising displays at a publicly owned multi-model transit facility (MTF) that is to serve as a station for the high-speed train system, as specified, and requires revenues from the advertising display to be used to support the construction, operation, and maintenance of the MTF.

OPEN MEETING LAWS

AB 2058 **Wilk** Vetoed by Governor

Would have modified the definition of “state body” to exclude an advisory body with less than three individuals, except for certain standing committees, as specified.

AB 2720 **Ting** Chapter 510, Statutes of 2014

Requires a state body to publicly report any action taken at an open meeting, and the vote or abstention on that action, of each member present for the action.

SB 308 **Lieu** Chapter 333, Statutes of 2013

Extends, until January 1, 2018, the provisions establishing the Interior Design Law, and the Board of Guide Dogs for the Blind; extends, until January 1, 2016, the provisions establishing the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology (BBC) and the term of the executive officer of the BBC; and makes other changes regarding the Interior Design Law and the regulatory programs of the boards, as specified.

STATE HOLIDAYS, SEALS, AND OFFICIAL ACTS

AB 55 **Roger Hernández** Returned to Chief Clerk

Would have designated the fourth Friday in September as a state holiday to honor Native Americans.

AB 245 **Grove** Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Would have subjected the Western Climate Initiative, Incorporated, and its appointees to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act when performing their duties.

AB 1289 **Cooley** Chapter 191, Statutes of 2013

Establishes the California Vietnam Veterans Memorial as the official state Vietnam Veteran's War Memorial and makes legislative findings.

AB 1973 **Roger Hernandez** Chapter 537, Statutes of 2014

Establishes the fourth Friday in September as a state holiday to be known as "Native American Day."

TOBACCO

AB 352 **Hall**

Chapter 292, Statutes of 2013

Prohibits a person who is licensed or certified to provide residential care in a foster family home or certified family home from smoking or permitting any other person to smoke inside the facility, and, when the child is present, on the outdoor grounds of the facility. This bill also prohibits a person who is licensed or certified pursuant to these provisions from smoking in any motor vehicle that is regularly used to transport the child.

AB 640 **Hall**

Bill amended out of G.O. jurisdiction

Clarifies that if a military identification card lacks a physical description, but includes date of birth and a photo, further proof of majority is not required for the purposes of selling or distributing of tobacco products directly to a consumer in the state through the United State Postal Service (USPS) or package delivery service.

Bill amended to deal with the Cal Grant Program.

AB 746 **Levine**

Died in Assembly Housing Committee

Prohibits smoking cigarettes or other tobacco products in all new or existing multifamily dwellings except in designated areas.

AB 1142 **Bloom**

Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Would prohibit any person from smoking, or disposing of used tobacco products, on a state coastal beach, as defined, or within a unit of the state park system, as defined.

AB 1500 **Dickinson**

Died in Assembly Appropriations Committee

Would prohibit a seller that delivers products via shipping or mailing from selling or delivering an electronic cigarette (e-cigarette) to a person under 18 years of age, as defined. Requires the delivery seller to use a method of mailing or shipping that satisfies all of the following: a) The consumer placing the delivery sale order, or an adult who is at least 18 years of age, shall sign to accept delivery of the e-cigarette at the delivery address; b) The person who signs to accept delivery of the e-cigarette shall provide a valid, government-issued identification bearing a photograph of the person, proving that the person is 18 years of age or older; and c) The delivery seller shall obtain the full name, birth date, and residential address of that person and verifying that information through the use of a commercially-available database consisting primarily of data from government sources and regularly used by government and businesses for the purposes of age and identity verification and authentication.

AB 1504 **Stone**

Died in Assembly G.O. Committee

Would prohibit that sale of cigarettes utilizing single-use filters.

AB 1785 **Garcia**

Died in Assembly Revenue & Taxation Committee

Would authorize the board to disclose to the Attorney General any information received under the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Tax Law for purposes of determining compliance with and enforcing the Master Settlement Agreement. Additionally, this bill would authorize this information also to be shared for purposes of determining compliance with, and enforcement of, specified laws and the Master Settlement Agreement. This bill would allow the Attorney General to share that information with any data clearinghouse or other entity performing duties under the Master Settlement Agreement.

AB 1819 **Hall**

Chapter 459, Statutes of 2014

Extends the existing prohibition against tobacco smoking in a private residence that is licensed as a family day care home to outside the hours of operation of the home.

SB 648 **Corbett**

Died in Assembly Appropriations Committee

Would prohibit the offer, sale, or distribution of electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) from a vending machine or other coin or token operated mechanical device or appliance, unless that machine or appliance is located on a premises issued an on-sale public license to sell alcoholic beverages and is at least 15 feet from the entrance to that premises.

Governor Vetoes

AB 1128 (Salas)

I am returning Assembly Bill 1128 without my signature.

This bill would allow a felony to be charged if a person knowingly provides alcohol to an underage drinker, whose alcohol consumption thereafter causes injury or death.

The behavior targeted by this bill is already a misdemeanor and I am not convinced it should be made into a felony.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.

AB 1620 (Rodriquez)

I am returning Assembly Bill 1620 without my signature.

This bill would establish the California Emergency Management and Disaster Preparedness Commission to evaluate and improve upon the state's emergency preparedness, management, and disaster recovery capabilities.

In 2012, I released the Governor's Reorganization Plan No. 2, which transferred the responsibilities of the California Emergency Management Agency to the Governor's Office of Emergency Services and eliminated the California Emergency Council to better streamline governmental operations. This bill seeks to reinstate that council as a new commission, which is contrary to the goal of the Reorganization Plan, and would duplicate systems and efforts already in place.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.

AB 2005 (Chesbro/Levine)

This bill adds one Senator and one Assemblymember to the California Horse Racing Board as ex officio, non-voting members who are prohibited from serving on subcommittees of the Board.

Members of the Legislature can already participate in the decision-making process of the Board through attendance at the public hearings, formal correspondence to the Board, or meeting with Commissioners or staff. Changing the composition of the Board as proposed would provide no additional benefits to the Legislature or the horse racing industry.

For this reason, I am returning Assembly Bill 2005 without my signature.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.

AB 2592 (Chesbro/Levine)

I am returning Assembly Bill 2592 without my signature.

When considering the allocation of racing dates, the California Horse Racing Board actively solicits feedback from the horseracing community and the public at large. Often, spirited discussions occur at the hearings of the full Board, or in the smaller expert subcommittees. I am confident that the Commissioners consider all competing proposals before voting.

Mandating a specific economic analysis before a decision could be made would add substantial costs to an already complex process without commensurate benefit.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.

SB 398 (Galgiani)

I am returning Senate Bill 398 without my signature.

This bill states that revenues generated from horseracing charity days may be used to fund a nonprofit corporation or trust that supports a recognized fair or the network of California fairs.

Under current law any nonprofit organization engaged in charitable, benevolent or civic activities -- including one supporting fairs -- may benefit from revenues generated from horseracing charity days. It is not clear why a separate designation is needed.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.

AB 2058 (Wilk)

I am returning Assembly Bill 2058 without my signature.

This bill expands the definition of a state body, under the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, to standing advisory committees with one or two members.

Any meeting involving formal action by a state body should be open to the public. An advisory committee, however, does not have authority to act on its own and must present any findings and recommendations to a larger body in a public setting for formal action. That should be sufficient.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.