

**Senator Jim Beall, Chair**  
**Senator Jim Nielsen**  
**Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson**



**Thursday, March 6, 2014**  
**9:30 a.m. or Upon Adjournment of Session**  
**Hearing Room 112**

**Consultant: Catherine Freeman**

## **OUTCOMES**

### **Vote-Only**

#### **0555 Secretary for California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal-EPA)**

- 1. Cal-EPA Refinery Information Officer and Emergency Coordinator.** Request to establish a permanent position at the Office of the Secretary for Cal-EPA to coordinate Cal-EPA boards, departments, and offices' emergency preparedness and response activities related to refineries. This position would serve as liaison for the State Emergency Plan for hazardous materials response and debris management. The position would coordinate hazardous materials emergency response with local certified Unified Program Agencies (CUPAs), and federal organizations for rapid response.

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve Item 1.

**VOTE: 3-0**

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**Resources—Environmental Protection—Energy—Transportation**

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## 0540 Secretary for Natural Resources

### *Items Proposed for Vote-Only*

1. Statewide Oversight Position Extension and Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Fund (EEM) Position Authority.
2. California Cultural Historical Endowment Funding.

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve Items 1-2.

**Item 1:**

**VOTE: 3-0**

**Item 2:**

**VOTE: 2-1 (Nielsen, no)**

<b>1. Fourth California Climate Change Assessment</b>
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**Staff Recommendation:** Hold Open

**VOTE: Hold Open**

## **8660 California Public Utilities Commission**

### *Items Proposed for Vote-Only*

1. **Extension of Liquidation Period for Outside Legal Counsel for the Energy Crisis Litigation.**
2. **Augment Fiscal Office Accounts Receivable.**
3. **Variable Air Volume Controller Repair Renovations.**
4. **Community Choice Aggregation (Implementation of Legislation).**

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve Items 1-4.

**Item 1:**

**VOTE: 3-0**

**Item 2:**

**VOTE: 3-0**

**Item 3:**

**VOTE: 2-1 (Nielsen, no)**

**Item 4:**

**VOTE: 2-1 (Nielsen, no)**

*Items Proposed for Discussion***1. Public Utilities Commission Financial Audits—Information Item**

**Staff Recommendation:** Information Item

**VOTE: No Action—Information Item**

**2. CPUC Energy Efficiency Financing Pilot Program—California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority (CAETFPA) Hub**

**Staff Recommendation.** Staff recommends the Budget Subcommittee #2 request that Budget Subcommittee #4 reject the budget proposal. Additionally, staff recommends the subcommittee direct the CPUC to seek legislation to specifically authorize this pilot program in statute.

**VOTE: Hold Open**

**3. Extended Staffing Support for Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications.**

**Staff Recommendation. Approve**

**VOTE: 3-0**

**4. High-Speed Rail Initiative—Electrical Infrastructure Planning and Permitting**

**Staff Recommendation.** Hold Open

**VOTE: Hold Open**

**5. Implement Greenhouse Gas Revenue Return to Energy-Intensive, Trade Exposed Industries**

**Staff Recommendation:** Hold Open

**VOTE: Hold Open**

**6. Implementation of 2013 Legislative Proposals**

1. **AB 1299 (Bradford)**, Chapter 507, Statutes of 2013, requires the CPUC to establish the Broadband Public Housing Account in the California Advanced Services Fund, which will provide grants and loans to publicly-supported communities for projects deploying high quality advanced broadband and for programs designed to increase broadband adoption rates by residents in these communities.
2. **SB 740 (Padilla)**, Chapter 522, Statutes of 2013, supplements the existing \$200 million authorized for CASF broadband infrastructure grants with an additional \$90 million.
3. **AB 327 (Perea)**, Chapter 611, Statutes of 2013, proposed changes to CPUC rate design, grid distribution, net energy metering, and renewable portfolio standard programs.

**Staff Recommendation: Approve legislative proposals.**

**VOTE: 3-0**

## **3360 Energy Resources Conservation Development Commission (California Energy Commission)**

### *Items Proposed for Vote-Only*

1. **Acceptance Test Technician Certification Provider (ATTCP) Program.**
2. **In-House Training Capabilities.**
3. **Ongoing Development of Utility Smart Grid Implementation Plans, Metrics, and Standards.**
4. **Geothermal Grant and Loan (GRDA) Program Liquidation Extension.**
5. **Public Goods Charge (PGC) Ramp-Down Plan.**

**Staff Recommendation: Approve Items 1-5.**

**Item 1:  
VOTE: 3-0**

**Item 2:  
VOTE: 2-1 (Nielsen, no)**

**Item 3:  
VOTE: 3-0**

**Item 4:  
VOTE: 3-0**

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VOTE: 3-0**

*Items Proposed for Discussion*

**1. Proposition 39—Implementation and Operation of the California Clean Energy Jobs Act**

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve proposal.

**VOTE: Hold Open**

**2. Implementation of the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC)**

**Staff Recommendation:** Hold Open pending court review.

**VOTE: Hold Open**

**3. CEC Information Technology Proposals**

1. Renewables Portfolio Standard Database Modernization Project.
2. Application Development and Maintenance Support.
3. Building an Energy Data Infrastructure to Meet the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

**Staff Recommendation:** Hold Open

**VOTE: Hold Open**

**4. Vulnerability of the Fueling Infrastructure for the Transportation Sector to Climate Change**

**Staff Recommendation:** Hold Open

**VOTE: Hold Open**

**5. Transportation Energy Supply Forecast Analysis**

**Staff Recommendation:** Require the CEC to return in April with alternative funding from the transportation sector. Hold Open.

**VOTE: Hold Open**