EBCE Legislative Strategy

The General Legislative Principles for EBCE are:
• Accelerating Decarbonization
• Promoting Local Development
• Maintaining Community Choice Autonomy

This is the lens through which we evaluate potential legislation as it pertains to EBCE.
Specific Policy Principles

In addition to the general principles, EBCE has adopted specific policy principles around:

1. Nonbypassable Charges
2. Disadvantaged Communities
3. Environmental Sustainability
4. Finance/Human Resources
5. Educational, Neighborhood and Social Services
Nonbypassable Charges

A. Oppose legislation that restricts or limits EBCE’s ability to procure its own energy products to meet state policy goals.

B. Oppose legislation that increases or is likely to lead to an increase in nonbypassable charges.

C. Support legislation that promotes a level playing field between community choice aggregators and other market participants.

D. Support legislation that enhances the flexibility of community choice energy providers to support statewide procurement policy and develop and expand programs, local options, and rate design to support EBCE’s community and customers.
Disadvantaged Communities

A. Support legislation and initiatives that boost funding for new energy projects that support disadvantaged communities and low-income customers within EBCE’s service territory.

B. Support legislation and initiatives that increase access and funding for energy-related programs serving disadvantaged communities.

C. Support legislation and initiatives that would reduce local air pollution, reduce other negative local impacts associated with energy production, and boost adoption of distributed energy resources within disadvantaged communities.

D. Oppose legislation and initiatives that have the potential to disproportionately and negatively impact EBCE’s disadvantaged communities and/or low-income customers.
Environmental Sustainability

A. Support legislation and initiatives that increase funding for the creation of sustainable and stable energy supply infrastructure.

B. Support legislation and initiatives that encourage the conservation of energy resources as well as the development of dynamic load-shifting capabilities.

C. Support legislation and funding for renewable and advanced energy technology that increase efficient consumption.

D. Support legislation and funding for pilot energy and resource efficiency programs.

E. Support legislation and initiatives with the goal of reducing and mitigating the effects of climate change and building local resiliency.
Finance / Human Resources

A. Support legislation that enhances the financial standing of community choice aggregators and their ability to receive a positive credit rating.

B. Oppose legislation that reduces or removes the tax-exempt status of municipal bonds.

C. Oppose any legislation that would divert community choice energy revenues to the State or other governmental entities.
A. Support legislation that aids or helps to fund EBCE to provide energy support services, education, and opportunities for reducing energy costs to people who are low-income, seniors, veterans, and/or people with disabilities.

B. Support legislation and initiatives that increase funding for energy efficiency, demand response, solar plus storage, and transportation electrification programs, and energy literacy services.
# Bill Tracker – Oppose/Watch

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Remaining Legislative Schedule

• By July 11: Bills must pass out of policy committees
• Current Until Aug 12: Legislature in summer recess
• By Aug 30: Bills must pass out of appropriations committees
• By Sept 13: Bills must pass the floor
Wildfire Legislation Update

• AB 1054 (Holden) and AB 111 (companion budget bill) passed Asm and Sen 7/11, signed by Gov 7/12
• New safety requirements on utilities
• New corporate accountability measures including executive comp to safety
• Clarifies rules for cost recovery of utility-caused wildfires –FERC standard: prudent actions assumed unless serious doubt presented
• Creation of a liquidity fund or insurance fund (SCE and SDG&E to decide which)
Wildfire Legislation Update

• Requires that for PG&E to have access to the Insurance Fund and new prudency standard for utility caused wildfires, it must emerge from bankruptcy by June 30, 2020 with a plan, approved by the Court and the CPUC, that is ratepayer neutral, provides for payment in full to victims as determined by the Court, and provides for compliance with RPS and other state laws.
Mayors Schaaf (Oakland), Breed (SF), and Liccardo (SJ) sent a letter on 7/8 to Gov Newsom and legislative leadership expressing concerns.

AB 1054 amends existing law to require a “voluntary or involuntary change in ownership of assets from an electrical or gas corporation to ownership by a public entity” to first secure authorization to do so from the CPUC. This language expands CPUC authority over local governments’ constitutional ability to provide utility service (municipalization).
**AB 56** (Garcia, Eduardo D)  
Electricity: procurement by the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority.


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Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to empower the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority to undertake backstop procurement of electricity that would otherwise be performed by an electrical corporation to meet the state resource adequacy, integrated resource planning, and renewable portfolio standard goals not satisfied by retail sellers or load-serving entities. The bill would authorize the authority to undertake backstop procurement consistent with specified objectives and to manage the resale of electricity for its contracted resources. The bill would require the commission to periodically review the need for, and the benefits of, continuing to empower the authority to undertake backstop procurement responsibilities.

**AB 111** (Committee on Budget)  
Wildfire agencies: public utilities: safety and insurance.


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Summary: Would create in state government the California Catastrophe Response Council to oversee the CEA and the Wildfire Fund Administrator, who this bill would require the council to appoint. The council would be composed of the Governor, the Treasurer, the commissioner, and the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, or their designees, and 3 members of the public appointed by the Governor, one member appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, and one member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, who would serve 4-year staggered terms.

**AB 235** (Mayes R)  
Electrical corporations: recovery of catastrophic wildfire costs and expenses.


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Summary: Current law authorizes the Public Utilities Commission, in a proceeding on an application by an electrical corporation to recover costs and expenses arising from a catastrophic wildfire occurring on or after January 1, 2019, to allow cost recovery if the costs and expenses are just and reasonable, after consideration of the conduct of the utility. In evaluating the reasonableness of the costs and expenses, the commission is required to consider the conduct of the electrical corporation and relevant information submitted into the commission record, including in 12 specified areas. Notwithstanding the commission’s determination of whether the costs and expenses are just and reasonable as described above, when determining recovery by an electrical corporation for costs and expenses arising from a catastrophic wildfire occurring on or after January 1, 2019, this bill would authorize the commission to consider the electrical corporation’s financial status and determine the maximum amount the corporation can pay without harming ratepayers or materially impacting the electrical corporation’s ability to provide adequate and safe service.

**AB 296** (Cooley D)  
Climate change: Climate Innovation Grant Program: voluntary tax contributions.


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Summary: Current law authorizes an individual to contribute amounts in excess of their personal income tax liability for the support of specified funds. Current law requires any new or extended voluntary contribution to include the words “voluntary tax contribution” in the name of the fund, to require the administering agency to include specified information about the fund on its internet website, to continuously appropriate from the fund the contributions made to the administering agency, to set a minimum contribution amount for the continuation of any voluntary tax contribution on the tax return form, and to include a generally applicable repeal date for a voluntary tax contribution. This bill would establish the Climate Innovation Grant Program, to be administered by the Strategic Growth Council or another entity identified by the council that it determines to have the appropriate skills necessary to successfully implement this program.

**AB 684** (Levine D)  
Building standards: electric vehicle charging infrastructure.


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Summary: Would require the Department of Housing and Community Development and the California Building Standards Commission, by July 1, 2022, or the publication of the next interim California...
Building Code, whichever comes first, to research, develop, and propose building standards regarding the installation of future electric vehicle charging infrastructure for parking spaces for existing multifamily dwellings and nonresidential development, as specified. The bill would also require the Department of Housing and Community Development and the commission to review the standards for multifamily dwellings and nonresidential development every 18 months to update the standards as needed pursuant to that review.

AB 740  
**Burke** (D)  Property insurance: fire hazard severity zones.  
Current Text: Amended: 7/2/2019  [html](#)  [pdf](#)  
Calendar: 8/12/2019  10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, PORTANTINO, Chair  
Summary: The California FAIR Plan Association is a joint reinsurance association formed by state insurers licensed to write and engage in writing basic property insurance within this state to assist persons in securing basic property insurance and to formulate and administer a program and FAIR Plan for the equitable apportionment among insurers of basic property insurance. Existing law requires each insurer to participate in the writings, expenses, and profits and losses of the association in the proportion that its premiums written bear to the aggregate premiums written by all insurers in the program, as specified, but requires the plan to provide for a method for insurers who voluntarily write basic property insurance on risks located in areas designated as brush hazard areas to be proportionately relieved of the liability to participate in the plan. This bill would add to the insurers that are proportionately relieved of the liability to participate in the FAIR Plan those voluntarily writing basic property insurance on risks in high or very high fire hazard severity zones, as determined and mapped by the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

AB 753  
Current Text: Amended: 5/20/2019  [html](#)  [pdf](#)  
Summary: Would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to make available of the moneys available for allocation as part of the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program specified percentages for projects to produce alternative and renewable low-carbon fuels in the state and to research, develop, produce, and deploy innovative and emerging fuels, as defined.

AB 923  
**Wicks** (D)  Bay Area Rapid Transit District: electricity procurement and delivery.  
Current Text: Introduced: 2/20/2019  [html](#)  [pdf](#)  
Summary: Would authorize BART to elect to obtain electricity purchased from an electrical corporation or marketer, as defined, and electricity purchased through a market operated by the Independent System Operator or any other electricity market.

AB 1028  
**Gonzalez** (D)  Clean Energy Job Creation Program.  
Calendar: 8/12/2019  10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, PORTANTINO, Chair  
Summary: Would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, in allocating grants to local educational agencies as part of the program, to also give priority based on a local educational agency’s utilization of apprentices from state-approved apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs, as specified. The bill would explicitly authorize program expenditures associated with employee training and energy managers.

AB 1046  
**Ting** (D)  Air Quality Improvement Program: Clean Vehicle Rebate Project.  
Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board to develop a plan to provide for the continuous funding of the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project, as specified. The bill would authorize the Treasurer, upon request by the state board and following approval from the Director of Finance, to securitize revenues for which the state board has existing authority to establish a continuous funding source for the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project, as specified.
**AB 1054**  
(Holden D)  
Public utilities: wildfires and employee protection.  
Current Text: Chaptered: 7/12/2019  
Summary: Would establish the California Wildfire Safety Advisory Board consisting of 7 members appointed by the Governor, Speaker of the Assembly, and Senate Committee on Rules, as provided, who would serve 4-year staggered terms. The bill would require the board, among other actions, to advise and make recommendations related to wildfire safety to the Wildfire Safety Division or, on and after July 1, 2021, the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety, as established pursuant to AB 111 or SB 111 of the 2019–20 Regular Session.

**AB 1083**  
(Burke D)  
Long-term plans and procurement plans: energy and energy infrastructure procurement requirements: California Council on Science and Technology.  
Current Text: Amended: 6/20/2019  
Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to establish a centralized clearinghouse of environmental attributes, and other offerings. The bill would require this information to be available and easily accessible on the commission’s and those electricity providers’ internet websites.

**AB 1144**  
(Friedman D)  
Self-generation incentive program: community energy storage systems: high fire threat districts.  
Current Text: Amended: 7/1/2019  
Calendar: 8/12/2019 10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)  
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, PORTANTINO, Chair  
Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to require the administration, until January 1, 2026, of a self-generation incentive program to increase the development of distributed generation resources and energy storage technologies. Current law authorizes the commission, in administering the program, to adjust the amount of rebates and evaluate other public policy interests, including, but not limited to, ratepayers, energy efficiency, peak load reduction, load management, and environmental interests. This bill would require the commission, in administering the self-generation incentive program, to allocate 10% of the annual collection for the program in the 2020 calendar year for the installation of and other distributed energy resources for customers that provide critical infrastructure to communities in high fire threat districts.

**AB 1208**  
(Ting D)  
Utility user taxes: exemption: clean energy resource.  
Current Text: Amended: 5/6/2019  
Summary: Going to be the UUT bill

**AB 1362**  
(O'Donnell D)  
Electricity: load-serving entities: rate and program information.  
Current Text: Amended: 6/24/2019  
Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to establish a centralized clearinghouse of residential electric rate tariffs and programs of electrical corporations, electric service providers, and community choice aggregators to enable customers and local governments to compare rates, services, environmental attributes, and other offerings. The bill would require this information to be available and easily accessible on the commission’s and those electricity providers’ internet websites.

**AB 1513**  
(Holden D)  
Energy: energy efficiency financing: public utility contracting.  
Current Text: Amended: 5/7/2019  
Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to establish a centralized clearinghouse of residential electric rate tariffs and programs of electrical corporations, electric service providers, and community choice aggregators to enable customers and local governments to compare rates, services, environmental attributes, and other offerings. The bill would require this information to be available and easily accessible on the commission’s and those electricity providers’ internet websites.
Summary: Current law provides for the financing of energy or water efficiency improvements through the issuance of Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) bonds that are secured by a voluntary contractual assessment on property or a special tax on property. This bill would update references to the definition of PACE bonds.

**AB 1584 (Quirk D) Electricity: cost allocation.**

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Summary: This bill would require the Public Utilities Commission to develop and use methodologies for allocating electrical system integration resource procurement needs to each load-serving entity based on the contribution of that entity’s load and resource portfolio to the electrical system conditions that created the need for the procurement. The bill would require the commission to develop and use methodologies for determining any costs resulting from a failure of a load-serving entity to satisfy its allocation of those procurement needs.

**AB 1654 (Frazier D) Reliable Electric Service Investments Act.**

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Summary: The Reliable Electric Service Investments Act required the Public Utilities Commission to require the state’s 3 largest electrical corporations, until January 1, 2012, to identify a separate electrical rate component, commonly referred to as the public goods charge, to collect specified amounts to fund energy efficiency, renewable energy, and research, development, and demonstration programs that enhance system reliability and provide in-state benefits. The act provides that it shall not be construed to affect the jurisdiction of the commission over electrical distribution service. This bill would also provide that the act shall not be construed to alter the jurisdiction of the commission over electrical distribution service.

**AB 1686 (Burke D) Energy consumption: report.**

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Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, on or before January 1, 2022, and biennially thereafter, to report to the Legislature the extent to which advanced metering infrastructure, time-of-use rates, and customer education programs have contributed to reducing gas and electricity consumption. The bill would require the commission to require each electrical corporation and gas corporation to submit to the commission aggregate customer gas or electricity consumption data that does not include any individually identifiable customer information to assist the commission in preparing this report.

**AB 1733 (Salas D) California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: clean energy credits.**

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Summary: Would authorize a source of electrical generation that is not an eligible renewable energy resource to apply to the State Air Resources Board for certification to receive clean energy credits and would require the state board to certify a source of electrical generation to receive clean energy credits if (1) the source is located within an area that is classified as being in nonattainment of state or federal ambient air quality standards and (2) encouraging generation of electricity from the source provides health benefits within the area and contributes to the safe and reliable operation of the electrical grid.

**AB 1757 (Patterson R) Public Utilities Commission: decisions: public review and comment.**

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Summary: The Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities and can establish its own procedures, subject to the statutory restrictions and constitutional requirements of due process. Current law requires that certain decisions, including resolutions, be served on parties and subject to at least 30 days’ public review and comment prior to being voted on. Under existing law, the 30-day period may be reduced or waived in an unforeseen emergency situation, upon the stipulation of all parties in the proceeding, for an uncontested matter in which the decision grants the relief requested, or for an order seeking temporary injunctive relief. This bill would instead subject those decisions to at least 45 days of public review and comment and would authorize the reduction or waiving of that 45-day period under the same conditions.
California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2019

Summary: The California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program requires the Public Utilities Commission to establish a renewables portfolio standard requiring all retail sellers, as defined, to procure a minimum quantity of electricity products from eligible renewable energy resources during specified compliance periods. The program additionally requires each local publicly owned electric utility, as defined, to procure a minimum quantity of electricity products from eligible renewable energy resources to achieve the targets established by the program. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to reform the program.


Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2019

Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 authorizes the State Air Resources Board to include use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Current law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and to be available upon appropriation. Current law requires the moneys from the fund to be used to facilitate the achievement of reductions of greenhouse gas emissions consistent with the act, as specified. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

Natural gas.

Current Text: Amended: 4/11/2019

Summary: Would require the Energy Commission to identify, collect, and analyze certain data regarding the natural gas market to determine causes of natural gas price volatility experienced by end-use customers. The bill would require the Energy Commission, in coordination with the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), to establish the Joint Agency Natural Gas Market Oversight Committee to review the data gathered and analyzed and to provide ongoing comments, insight, and recommendations about natural gas market behavior and transactions related to potential exercise of market power and market manipulation and methods to deter those activities.


Current Text: Introduced: 4/24/2019

Calendar: 8/12/2019 10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary: Would provide that the pending Pacific Gas and Electric Company and Pacific Gas and Electric Corporation Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings, and any resolution thereof, must protect the citizens of California from the imminent and ongoing threats posed by climate change, the buildup of fuels, and inadequate electrical infrastructure. The measure would require that it is the will of the Legislature that the Public Utilities Commission, in filings with the bankruptcy court overseeing the proceedings, promote certain policy goals relating to Pacific Gas and Electric Company, the electrical and gas systems, and victims of wildfires, and communicate the proceedings’ profound and direct impacts on the people of California.

Carbon intensity and pricing: retail products.

Current Text: Amended: 7/1/2019

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board, no later than January 1, 2022, to submit a report to the Legislature on the findings from a study, as specified, to determine the feasibility and practicality of assessing the carbon intensity of all retail products subject to the tax imposed pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Law, so that the total carbon equivalent emissions associated with such retail products can be quantified.

Medium- and heavy-duty vehicles: comprehensive strategy.

Current Text: Amended: 6/19/2019

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board, no later than January 1, 2022, to submit a report to the Legislature on the findings from a study, as specified, to determine the feasibility and practicality of assessing the carbon intensity of all retail products subject to the tax imposed pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Law, so that the total carbon equivalent emissions associated with such retail products can be quantified.
**Summary:** Would require the State Air Resources Board, no later than January 1, 2021, and at least every 5 years thereafter, in consultation with the Department of Transportation, the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, and the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development and in collaboration with relevant stakeholders, to update the state board’s 2016 mobile source strategy to include a comprehensive strategy for the deployment of medium-duty and heavy-duty vehicles in the state for the purpose of bringing the state into compliance with federal ambient air quality standards and reducing motor vehicle greenhouse gas emissions from the medium-duty and heavy-duty vehicle sector.

**SB 49**

*Skinner D*  
**Energy efficiency.**

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**Summary:** Current law authorizes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to prescribe, by regulation, energy efficiency standards, including appliance efficiency standards, to reduce the wasteful, uneconomic, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy, including the energy associated with the use of water, as specified. This bill would require that those energy efficiency standards also reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases associated with wasteful, uneconomic, inefficient, or unnecessary energy consumption.

**SB 70**

*Nielsen R*  
**Electricity: undergrounding of electrical infrastructure.**

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**Summary:** Would require each electrical corporation’s wildfire mitigation plan to additionally include a description of where and how the electrical corporation considered undergrounding electrical distribution lines within those areas of its service territory identified to have the highest wildfire risk in a commission fire threat map.

**SB 155**

*Bradford D*  
**California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: integrated resource plans.**

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**Summary:** Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to direct each retail seller to prepare and submit an annual report to the commission that includes specified information on the retail seller’s compliance with requirements related to eligible renewable energy resource procurement. This bill would require the commission to review each annual compliance report filed by a retail seller, to notify a retail seller if the commission has determined, based upon its review, that the retail seller may be at risk of not satisfying the renewable procurement requirements for the then-current or future compliance period, and to provide recommendations in that circumstance regarding satisfying those requirements.

**SB 167**

*Dodd D*  
**Electrical corporations: wildfire mitigation plans.**

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**Summary:** Current law requires each electrical corporation to annually prepare and submit a wildfire mitigation plan to the commission for review and approval. Current law requires those wildfire mitigation plans to include specified information, including protocols for disabling reclosers and deenergizing portions of the electrical distribution system that consider the associated impacts on public safety, as well as protocols related to mitigating the public safety impacts of those protocols, including impacts on critical first responders and on health and communication infrastructure. This bill would require each electrical corporation, as part of those protocols, to additionally include protocols related to mitigating the public safety impacts of disabling reclosers and deenergizing portions of the electrical distribution system that consider the impacts on customers who are receiving medical baseline allowances.

**SB 168**

*Wieckowski D*  
**Climate change: Chief Climate Resilience Officer.**

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**Summary:** Would establish the Chief Climate Resilience Officer, appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate, in the Office of Planning and Research to serve as the statewide lead for planning and coordination of climate adaptation policy and implementation in California, and would specify the duties of the chief officer. The bill would make the chief officer, or the chief officer’s designee, a member of the advisory council and would designate the chief officer, or the chief officer’s
designee, as the chair of the advisory council.

**SB 247**  
(Dodd D) Wildland fire prevention: vegetation management.  
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**Summary**: Current law requires each electrical corporation to annually prepare a wildfire mitigation plan and to submit its plan to the commission for review and approval, as specified. Current law requires that an electrical corporation’s wildfire mitigation plan include plans for vegetation management. Current law requires the commission, at the time it approves each plan, to authorize the utility to establish a memorandum account to track costs incurred to implement the plan. Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to oversee compliance with the approved plans. This bill would, on or after January 1, 2021, require an electrical corporation to notify the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection after it completes all or a substantial portion of the vegetation management requirements in its wildfire mitigation plan.

**SB 255**  
(Bradford D) Women, minority, disabled veteran, and LGBT business enterprise procurement: electric service providers: energy storage system companies: community choice aggregators.  
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**Summary**: Current law directs the Public Utilities Commission to require every electrical corporation, gas corporation, water corporation, wireless telecommunications service provider, and telephone corporation with annual gross revenues exceeding $25,000,000, and their regulated subsidiaries and affiliates, to annually submit a detailed and verifiable plan for increasing procurement from women, minority, disabled veteran, and LGBT business enterprises in all categories, including renewable energy, wireless telecommunications, broadband, smart grid, and rail projects. This bill would change the $25,000,000 annual gross revenue threshold above which these requirements become applicable to $15,000,000 in gross annual California revenues, and would extend these requirements to electric service providers, as specified.

**SB 288**  
(Wiener D) Democratic Party of California: county central committees.  
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**Summary**: Would permit the appointment of a person who is not registered as affiliated with the Democratic Party to a county central committee, but only if permitted by the bylaws of that committee. It would also express the Legislature’s intent to enact legislation to permit a person who is not a United States citizen to be elected to and to serve as a member of a county central committee of the Democratic Party, if permitted by that county central committee.

**SB 350**  
(Hertzberg D) Electricity: resource adequacy: multiyear centralized resource adequacy mechanism.  
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**Summary**: Would authorize the Public Utilities Commission to consider a multiyear centralized resource adequacy mechanism, among other options, to most efficiently and equitably meet specified resource adequacy objectives.

**SB 520**  
(Hertzberg D) Electrical service: provider of last resort.  
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**Summary**: The Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations. Under current law, a public utility has a duty to serve, including furnishing and maintaining adequate, efficient, just, and reasonable service, instrumentalities, equipment, and facilities as are necessary to promote the safety, health, comfort, and convenience of its patrons and the public. This bill would provide that the electrical corporation is the provider of last resort, as defined, in its service territory unless provided otherwise in a service territory boundary agreement approved by the commission pursuant to existing law or unless the commission designates a load-serving entity, as defined, other than the electrical corporation to serve as the provider of last resort for all or a portion of that service territory pursuant to a joint application of the electrical corporation and the load-serving entity.

**SB 524**  
(Stern D) Energy efficiency programs: workforce requirements.
Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, if an energy efficiency program contributes $50,000 or more in ratepayer-funded incentives for energy efficiency projects within the same building, facility, or building complex, to require the energy efficiency program administrator or program implementer, as applicable, to ensure that the work is performed by a skilled and trained workforce.

**SB 549**  
**D)** Public Utilities Commission: rates: capital structure changes.  
Current Text: Amended: 4/3/2019  
Summary: Under current law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations. Current law authorizes the commission to fix the rates and charges for every public utility and requires that those rates and charges be just and reasonable. This bill would authorize the commission to approve a capital structure change or increase in rates for the Pacific Gas and Electric Company only upon the Legislature, by statute, approving the capital structure change or increase in rates.

**SB 550**  
**D)** Public utilities: merger, acquisition, or control of electrical or gas corporations.  
Current Text: Amended: 4/2/2019  
Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, before authorizing a merger, acquisition, or change in control of an electrical or gas corporation, to additionally ensure the proposal includes specified elements, including a nonpunitive system for reporting potential safety incidents to the commission, and find, on balance, that the proposal improves the safety of the utility service provided by the electrical or gas corporation.

**SB 597**  
**D)** Energy efficiency and demand reduction: reporting.  
Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2019  
Summary: Current law requires each electrical and gas corporation, by July 1, 2018, and every 4 years thereafter, to report on its progress toward achieving certain energy efficiency and demand reduction targets established for electrical and gas corporations by the PUC, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission). This bill would require that the reports be submitted every 3 years.

**SB 605**  
**D)** Public Utilities.  
Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2019  
Summary: Existing law requires the Public Utilities Commission to designate a baseline quantity of electricity and gas necessary for a significant portion of the reasonable energy needs of the average residential customer, and to establish a higher energy allowance above the baseline for residential customers dependent on life-support equipment. Current law requires the commission to develop policies, rules, or regulations with a goal of reducing, by January 1, 2024, the statewide level of gas and electric service disconnections for nonpayment by residential customers, as specified. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the provisions requiring the development of those service-disconnection reduction policies, rules, or regulation.

**SB 676**  
**D)** Transportation electrification: electric vehicles: grid integration.  
Current Text: Amended: 7/5/2019  
Summary: Would require the PUC, by December 31, 2020, in an existing proceeding, to establish strategies and quantifiable metrics to maximize the use of feasible and cost-effective electric vehicle grid integration, as defined, by January 1, 2030, as specified. The bill would require the PUC to reference the electric vehicle grid integration strategies in relevant ongoing and subsequent proceedings that address issues of transportation electrification in any part and to identify how programs and investments that the PUC may approve will advance the achievement of the strategies. The bill would require the PUC, when executing its transportation electrification responsibilities, to consider how, or if, electric vehicle grid integration can mitigate any generation, transmission, or distribution costs, or increase the economic, social, or environmental benefits associated with transportation electrification, and to not foreclose future utilization of electric vehicle grid integration.
**SB 772** (Bradford D) Long duration bulk energy storage: procurement.

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**Summary:** Would require the ISO, on or before June 30, 2022, to complete a competitive solicitation process for the procurement of one or more long duration energy storage projects that in aggregate have at least 2,000 megawatts capacity, but not more than 2,400 megawatts, as provided. The bill would require the ISO, after December 31, 2030, and only if found to be necessary, to complete an additional competitive solicitation process for additional long duration bulk energy storage projects that in aggregate have up to 2,000 megawatts capacity and have targeted commercial operation dates of no later than January 1, 2045.

**SB 773** (Skinner D) Energy efficiency programs: public utilities.

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**Summary:** Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to require electrical or gas corporations to revise, as necessary, certain identified ratepayer-funded energy efficiency programs to ensure that those programs complement and do not duplicate programs administered by state agencies. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

**SB 774** (Stern D) Electricity: microgrids.

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**Summary:** Would require each electrical corporation to collaborate with the Office of Emergency Services, and local governments and other interested parties in its service territory, to identify locations where sources of back-up electricity may provide increased electrical distribution grid resiliency. The bill would authorize electrical corporations to file applications with the commission to invest in, and deploy, microgrids to increase that resiliency, and would prohibit the PUC from approving microgrid applications that use a cost-recovery mechanism that recovers costs from all of an electrical corporation’s ratepayers unless certain requirements are met.

**Total Measures:** 46

**Total Tracking Forms:** 46