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<b>AB 15</b> <b>(Núñez)</b> California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)	Exempts from CEQA, the construction and maintenance of a median barrier on a specified portion of Vasco Road in Alameda and Contra Costa counties. (Introduced 12/4/06)	Assembly	
<b>AB 23</b> <b>(Ma)</b> Pedestrian Count-down Near Schools or Senior Centers	Requires Caltrans to place and maintain an official control signal that emits a count down pedestrian display at a marked pedestrian crosswalk if that crosswalk crosses a state highway and is within 2,000 feet of a school building or the grounds of that school building or a senior center, as defined. (Introduced 12/4/06)	Assembly	
<b>AB 29</b> <b>(Hancock)</b> Proposition 1C: Infill Housing Incentive Funds	Requires that, upon appropriation, the \$850 million from Proposition 1C for the Regional Planning, Housing and Infill Incentive Account be made available to the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing for distribution to designated councils of governments (not yet specified) to fund competitive infill incentive grants for local public agencies that meet the following criteria: 1) the local public agency is included in a regional growth plan; 2) the local public agency has conformed its local planning to the regional growth plan by adopting land use policies to provide for growth in certain areas and prohibiting or limiting growth in other areas, consistent with the regional growth plan; and 3) the region meets the requirement for local plan consistency for the current round of funding. (Introduced 12/4/06)	Assembly Local Government Committee	
<b>AB 33</b> <b>(Jeffries)</b> School Transportation Costs Tax Credit	Allows a credit in an amount equal to 20 percent of the school transportation costs, as defined, paid or incurred by a taxpayer during the taxable year. (Introduced 12/4/06)	Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee	
<b>AB 38</b> <b>(Nava)</b> State Emergency Preparedness	Provides that the state Office of Homeland Security shall be a subdivision of the state Office of Emergency Services and specifies the duties of the Director of the Office of Homeland Security. (Introduced 12/4/06)	Assembly	Support

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<b>AB 57</b> <b>(Soto)</b> Safe Routes to School Program	Deletes the January 1, 2008, repeal date for the existing Safe Routes to School Program, thereby extending the provisions indefinitely.	Assembly	
<b>AB 60</b> <b>(Nava)</b> Minimum Clearance Requirement for Overtaking a Bicycle	Requires the driver of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle that is proceeding in the same direction to pass to the left at a safe distance, at a minimum clearance of 3 feet, without interfering with the safe operation of the overtaken bicycle. The bill would make a violation of this provision an infraction punishable by a \$250 fine. The bill would make it a misdemeanor or felony if a person operates a motor vehicle in violation of the above requirement and that conduct proximately causes great bodily injury, as defined, or death to the bicycle operator. (Introduced 12/4/06)	Assembly	
<b>AB 99</b> <b>(Feuer)</b> Alternative Fuels	Makes legislative findings and declarations regarding the use of clean, alternative fuels. Declares the intent of the Legislature to ensure that no less than 50 percent of all new cars made available for sale in the state are powered by clean, alternative fuels. (Introduced 12/21/06)	Assembly	
<b>AB 112</b> <b>(Wolk)</b> Highways: Safety Enhancement-Double Fine Zones	Designates the segment of State Highway Route 12 between the State Highway Route 80 junction in Solano County and the State Highway Route 5 junction in San Joaquin County as a Safety Enhancement-Double Fine Zone. (Introduced 1/08/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 117</b> <b>(Beall)</b> Traffic Offenses: Additional Assessment	Provides that a county may elect to levy an additional assessment upon each base fine, not including other penalty assessments, fees, or additions, imposed and collected by the county for an offense involving the unsafe operation of a motor vehicle upon the highway in violation of the Vehicle Code or a local ordinance adopted pursuant to the Vehicle Code. Requires that the collected assessments be deposited in a Traffic Safety Committee Network Fund. (Introduced 1/9/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 256</b> <b>(Huff)</b> SHOPP: Safety Projects	Provides that funding for safety projects in the SHOPP (State Highway Operation and Protection Program) shall be provided even in the event that the state budget is not passed by the beginning of the fiscal year. (Introduced 2/5/2007)	Assembly Transportation Committee	

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<b>AB 307</b> <b>(Hayashi)</b> Fuel Cell Buses: Sales Tax Exemption	Exempts for the sales and use tax a fuel-cell vehicle or a fuel-cell system sold or leased to a qualified person. (Introduced 2/9/2007)	Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee	
<b>AB 412</b> <b>(Smyth)</b> Proposition 1B: Project Delivery Deadlines	Requires the Transportation Commission, in order to ensure the timely use of Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act Funds, to specify project delivery deadlines for each program category for which the commission has the authority under the bond act to allocate funds. (Introduced 2/16/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 444</b> <b>(Hancock)</b> Vehicle Registration Fee: Alameda & Contra Costa Counties	Authorizes the congestion management agencies in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties to place on the ballot for a majority vote of the people a vehicle registration fee of up to \$10 for congestion relief. (Introduced 2/16/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 463</b> <b>(Huff)</b> California Clean Ferry Act	Requires all new diesel powered ferries operating the waters of this state to meet certain specified air emissions standards. (Introduced 2/20/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 470</b> <b>(DeSaulnier)</b> Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Devices	Imposes additional safety requirements on the operation of an Electric Personal Assistive Mobility Device (EPAMD), and prohibits the operation of an EPAMD that is greater than 20 inches deep and 25 inches wide on a public sidewalk. Requires a person operating an EPAMD on specified surfaces to yield the right-of-way to all pedestrians on foot. (Introduced 2/20/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 478</b> <b>(Wolk)</b> Bicycle Safety: Lighting	Expands the places where the operator of a bicycle is required to use an illuminated lamp and certain specified reflecting devices to shared use pathways, as defined. Expands the requirement that the operator of the bicycle have reflectors on each pedal to include the option of having reflectors on his or her shoes or ankles. (Introduced 2/20/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>AB 490</b> <b>(Hancock)</b> AC Transit District: Board Member Compensation	Provides that the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Board may, by ordinance or resolution, provide that each director shall be paid not more than \$1,000 per calendar month in lieu of per meeting compensation, subject to various deductions and adjustments for directors not attending all scheduled and noted regular board meetings. (Introduced 2/20/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 493</b> <b>(Ruskin)</b> Motor Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Requires the State Air Resources Board to create and implement a clean vehicle incentive program that would provide rebates to, and require surcharges from, purchasers of new motor vehicles based on the vehicle's greenhouse gas emissions to mitigate against emissions of greenhouse gases from motor vehicles. Creates the Clean Vehicle Incentive Account to be administered by the state board. (Introduced 2/20/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 505</b> <b>(Plescia)</b> Hybrid Vehicles: Income Tax Deduction	Authorizes a credit against the Personal Income Tax and the Corporation Tax in an amount equal to a percentage of the aggregate amount paid by a taxpayer during the taxable year for a qualified hybrid vehicle. (Introduced 2/20/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 534</b> <b>(Smyth)</b> Bicycle Transportation Account Funding	Increases the annual funding for the Bicycle Transportation Account from \$5 million per year to \$12 million per year until January 31, 2012 or the date on which all funding from Proposition 1B has been expended. (Introduced 2/21/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 574</b> <b>(Torricon)</b> High-Occupancy/ Toll Lanes: Removal of Sunset for Bay Area Agencies	Authorizes the Sunol Smart Carpool Lane Joint Powers Authority, consisting of the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency, the Alameda County Transportation Improvement Authority, and the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) to construct, administer, and operate value pricing HOT lane programs indefinitely. Further authorizes the VTA to issue bonds backed by program revenues, and enter into an agreement with a private entity to implement the HOT lane program. (Introduced 2/21/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>AB 616</b> <b>(Jones)</b> Smog Check: High Polluter Account	Requires the Department of Consumer Affairs to incorporate annual inspection of motor vehicles 15 or greater model years old into the motor vehicle inspection and maintenance program. Requires funds generated through additional inspection fees to be deposited into the High Polluter Repair or Removal Account. (Introduced 2/21/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 663</b> <b>(Galgiani)</b> Rail Safety and Traffic Mitigation Bond Act	States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation providing for a general obligation bond act in the amount of \$500 million to be submitted to the voters for approval in order to provide funding for a program to eliminate the most dangerous railroad-highway grade crossings in the state, as identified by the Public Utilities Commission. (Introduced 2/21/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 665</b> <b>(DeSaulnier)</b> California Growth Management Act	This bill would declare the Legislature's intent to enact legislation to create the California Growth Management Act. (Introduced 2/21/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 723</b> <b>(DeVore)</b> California Environmental Quality Act Exemptions	Declares the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to declare a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) "Holiday exemption" for a period of five years for the construction of agricultural employee housing, affordable housing and urban infill housing projects. (Introduced 2/22/2007) (See AB 1096)	Assembly	
<b>AB 747</b> <b>(Levine)</b> Low Carbon Fuel Standard	Requires the State Air Resources Board to reduce the carbon intensity of the state's transportation fuels. Requires the board to implement a low-carbon fuel standard applicable to refiners, blenders, producers and importers of transportation fuel. Requires the Public Utilities Commission to address how investor-owned utilities can contribute to reduction in greenhouse gas emission in the transportation code. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 748</b> <b>(Karnette)</b> Proposition 1B: Project Delivery Deadlines	Amends the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006. Adopts guidelines and policies to ensure timely use of these bond funds by requiring construction on a project to begin no later than a certain date. Provides that applicants for bond funds not comply with competitive bidding requirements. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>AB 801</b> <b>(Walters)</b> Toll Lane Enforcement: License Plate Visibility	Prohibits the use of a device that would obstruct or impair the reading or recognition of a license plate by an electronic device operated in connection with a toll road. Provides that a person who sells or advertises for sale a product or device that obscures or is intended to obscure the reading or recognition of a license plate is guilty of misdemeanor. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 842</b> <b>(Jones)</b> Regional Plans: Housing and Traffic Reduction	Creates eligibility standards for the funds that will be made available from the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality and Port Security Bond Act of 2006 and the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust of Fund of 2006. Requires that a project be located within a regional plan to reduce the vehicle miles traveled per household. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 867</b> <b>(Davis)</b> Regional Transportation Plans: Analysis of Low-Income Populations	Requires each metropolitan planning organization and each transportation planning agency, in developing the regional transportation plan, to factor the mobility of low-income and minority residents into its computer analysis of regional transportation analysis zones. Requires results of such analysis to be availed to the public. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 899</b> <b>(Parra)</b> Public-Private Partnerships: Toll Roads	Placeholder bill related to existing law that authorizes the Department of Transportation and regional transportation agencies to enter into up to four comprehensive development lease agreements with public and private entities, or consortia of those entities, for certain transportation projects that may charge certain users of those projects tolls and user fees, subject to various terms and requirements. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 900</b> <b>(Núñez)</b> CTC Membership	Amends existing law that created the California Transportation Commission. Expands the commission to 13 members, with one additional voting member each appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and the Senate Committee on Rules, who would not be subject to Senate confirmation. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 901</b> <b>(Núñez)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation: Transit Funding	Amends existing law, the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006. Makes various findings regarding public transportation and declares the intent of the Legislature to provide accountability measures in the allocation of transit funding from Proposition 1B. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>AB 945</b> <b>(Carter)</b> Transportation Needs Assessment	Requires the Transportation Commission to develop an assessment of the unfunded costs of programmed state projects and federally earmarked projects in the state, as well as an assessment of available funding for transportation purposes and unmet transportation needs on a statewide basis. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 971</b> <b>(Portantino)</b> Density Bonuses	Placeholder bill related to changes in the Planning and Zoning Law which requires, when a developer of housing proposes a housing development within the jurisdiction of the local government, the city, county, or city and county to provide the developer with a density bonus and other incentives or concessions for the production of lower income housing units or the donation of land within the development. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 981</b> <b>(Ma)</b> High Speed Rail Authority	Amends existing law that creates the High Speed Rail Authority with duties relating to the development and implementation of an intercity high speed rail system. Requires the authority to elect a chairperson and a vice chairperson to preside in the chairperson's absence and the authority to elect one or more vice chairpersons. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 995</b> <b>(Núñez)</b> Proposition 1B: Trade Corridors & Air Quality	States the intent of the Legislature to advance certain goals and policies relating to the Trade Corridors and Air Quality Programs funded in Proposition 1B. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 997</b> <b>(Arambula)</b> Proposition 1C Implementation: Infill Incentive Account	Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to administer the Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account created by Proposition 1C. Provides specified amounts from the account to be available to fund grants to cities, counties, cities and counties, redevelopment agencies, incorporated mutual water companies, special districts, and nonprofit organizations for capital outlay projects that will serve development on land the meets the definition of "infill site" in current law (Section 21061.3 of Public Resources Code). (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1003</b> <b>(Jeffries)</b> Request for Project Staffing from Caltrans	Provides that a local or regional agency that is contributing an unspecified portion of a state highway project's costs from local revenues may request the Department of Transportation to provide dedicated personnel or other resources pursuant to a special agreement between the agency and the department in order to expedite the department's review of the project. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>AB 1017 (Ma)</b> Proposition 1C Implementation	Requires that funds made available under Proposition 1C for the Affordable Housing Innovation Fund be allocated in conformance with certain requirements, including that a funded project be consistent with the general plan of the jurisdiction in which the project is located that not less than an unspecified percent of the funds allocated to the project be used to assist families of low income in achieving first-time home ownership, and that priority be given to projects that can provide matching funds. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1053 (Núñez)</b> Proposition 1C Implementation	Sets forth the intent of the Legislature that Proposition 1C funds be expended in a specified manner. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1077 (Lieber)</b> Plug-in Hybrids	Enacts the Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle Leadership Act of 2007, establishing the Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle Coordinating Council. Requires the Air Resources Board to develop certification testing protocols for emissions and fuel consumption for the different types of plug-in vehicles. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1096 (DeVore)</b> California Environmental Quality Act Exemptions	Declares the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to declare a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) "Holiday exemption" for a period of five years for the construction of agricultural employee housing, affordable housing and urban infill housing projects. (Introduced 2/22/2007) (See AB 723)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1159 (Richardson)</b> Encroachment Permit Fees	Amends existing laws governing the issuance by the Department of Transportation of encroachment permits relative to state highway rights-of-way. Provides that the fee schedule established by the department shall produce a total estimated revenue that is equal to the estimated total cost to the department for issuing encroachment permits for which fees may be charged. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1161 (Tran)</b> Eminent Domain: Transportation	Requires the Department of Transportation, upon acquiring property through eminent domain, to designate the particular project for which the property is being acquired and use the property for that purpose within seven years, plus an extension up to five years, or otherwise sell the property. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>AB 1190 (Horton)</b> High Carbon Fuel Tax	Creates three new designations of fuel on the basis of the amount of carbon dioxide released per mile for each fuel type. Defines Category 1 fuel as that which releases 33 percent fewer grams of carbon dioxide per mile traveled of gasoline, as defined by the Low Carbon Fuel Standard to be developed by the California Air Resources Board and state fuel taxes for Category 1 fuel. Cuts in half (to 9 cents per gallon) taxes on Category 2 fuel, defined as fuel that releases between 33 to 66 percent of the grams of carbon dioxide per mile traveled of gasoline. Creates a high-carbon fuel tax rate of 27 cents per gallon for Category 3 fuel, defined as any fuel that does not fall under Categories 1 or 2. Authorizes the Board of Equalization to adjust the rate of high-carbon fuel tax to ensure that the total amount of revenues derived from the tax rate do not exceed the amount lost from Categories 1 and 2. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1209 (Karnette)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation: Air Quality Funds	Requires the California Air Resources Board to develop allocation guidelines for the \$1 billion in funding identified in the \$19.9 billion transportation infrastructure bond for freight-related emission reduction activities that are not otherwise required by law or regulation. (Introduced 2/23/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1221 (Ma)</b> Transit Villages: Tax-Increment Financing	Allows a city or county that prepares a transit village plan, with the agreement with each government agency that operates every transit station in the transit district, to engage in tax increment financing to fulfill the goals of a transit development plan. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1227 (Gaines)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation: Bi-state Compact Areas	Amends proposition 1B, to states the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation governing to allocation and use of these funds in order to ensure that cities within a bi-state compact area that are subject to intense tourism impacts and routine snow removal activities receive due attention to their needs. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1228 (Solorio)</b> High Speed Rail: Anaheim Terminus	Provides that Anaheim is to be the Southern terminus of the initial segment of the high-speed train system. Provides that for the Anaheim-Irvine segment, the bill would provide that no general obligation bond funds shall be available for construction, but that those funds shall be available only for eligible planning, environmental, and engineering costs. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>AB 1231</b> <b>(Garcia)</b> Proposition 1C	Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to use funds allocated from the Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account to make infrastructure grants for construction or acquisition of capital assets to qualifying cities, counties, and cities and counties. Requires the grants to be used for infrastructure that is directly related to identified infill housing projects. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1256</b> <b>(Caballero)</b> Density Bonus: Exemption: Local Inclusionary Ordinance	Exempts a city, county, or city and county from complying with the density bonus requirement, and the incentive and concession requirement related to low income housing development under the Planning and Zoning Law if the local government has in effect a local inclusionary ordinance, as specified, that meets certain requirements. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1306</b> <b>(Huff)</b> Spillover Repeal: Redirect Funds to Proposition 42	Reduces the portion of gasoline sales tax revenues that are deposited in the Public Transportation Account by eliminating what is commonly known as the spillover formula. Requires those revenues to instead be transferred to the Transportation Investment Fund, which funds a variety of transportation improvements, including local streets and roads, the State Transportation Improvement Program and public transportation improvements under Proposition 42. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1322</b> <b>(Duvall)</b> Public-Private Partnerships	Relates to transportation facilities constructed by public-private partnerships. Makes changes to provision whereby negotiated lease agreements must be submitted to the legislature for approval or rejection, with approval to be achieved by enactment of a statute. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1337</b> <b>(Nava)</b> State Highway System Projects: Caltrans Staffing Requirement	Requires that Caltrans employees shall perform the construction management and engineering for all projects on the state highway system, including inspection, quality control inspection, surveying, materials testing, and resident engineer functions. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>AB 1350</b> <b>(Núñez)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation: Transit Security	States the intent of the legislature to enact a statute specifying the conditions of funding from the Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response Account created by Proposition 1B. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1351</b> <b>(Levine)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation: State-Local Partnership Program	States the intent of the Legislature to give priority to self-help counties that have passed local sales tax measures in the State-Local Partnership Program created by Proposition 1B. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1358</b> <b>(Leno)</b> Circulation Element: Complete Streets	Requires that the legislative body of a city or county, upon any revision of the circulation element of the general plan, modify the circulation element to specify how this element will provide for the routine accommodation of all users of the highway, defined to include motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, individuals with disabilities, seniors, and users of public transportation. Requires that the Office of Planning and Research develop model guidelines for a local agency to use by January 1, 2009. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1488</b> <b>(Mendoza)</b> Smog Check: Light-Duty Diesel Vehicles	Requires the State Air Resources Board to develop a pilot program to integrate lightweight diesel vehicles into the smog check program. Considers a set percentage of eligible vehicles that would be tested, although vehicle owners would not be subject to disciplinary action based on test results. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1492</b> <b>(Laird)</b> Yield to Bus: Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority	Requires, in the Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District and the Santa Clara County Transit District, the driver of a vehicle overtaking a transit bus to yield the right-of-way to the bus if certain conditions are present. Requires a transit agency participating in the program to undertake a public education program to inform motorists of the yield right-of-way requirements. Provides for a base fine for violating those requirements. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>AB 1499</b> <b>(Garrick)</b> Design-Build Authority: Caltrans	Authorizes Caltrans to use the design-build procurement process for its state highway construction contracts. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1536</b> <b>(Smyth)</b> Proposition 1C Implementation: Park Funding	States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation requiring the Department of Parks and Recreation to be the agency authorized to administer the housing-related parks grants in urban, suburban, and rural areas, and to be authorized to administer the grants for park creation, development, or rehabilitation to encourage infill development in Proposition 1C. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1543</b> <b>(Leno)</b> Treasure Island Transportation Management Act	Enacts the Treasure Island Transportation Management Act, and authorizes the board of supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco to designate or create a board or agency to act as the transportation management agency for Treasure Island, defined to also include Yerba Buena Island. Authorizes this agency to impose congestion pricing fees and a transit pass that would be funded by fees imposed on housing in Treasure Island. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1637</b> <b>(DeSaulnier)</b> Low-Income Transit Passes: Eligibility for STA Funding	Authorizes a transit operator to use Transportation Development Act (TDA) and State Transit Assistance (STA) funds specifically to provide discount fares for qualifying low-income riders. Allows STA funds used by an operator for this purpose to count as fare revenue for the purpose of determining the operator's allocation that is based on the fare revenue formula. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	Support (sponsor)
<b>AB 1672</b> <b>(Núñez)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation	States the intent of the Legislature to pursue the following goals in developing guidelines for Proposition 1B, including, but not limited to, protecting the environment and public health, prioritizing the state's partnership with self-help counties, and ensuring accountability and project performance measures and outcomes. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	
<b>AB 1684</b> <b>(Emmerson)</b> Transit Agencies: Retention of Security Videotapes	Provides that videotapes made by a security camera system operated as part of a local public transit system shall be retained for 210 days. Requires each entity of local government, when installing new security systems, to purchase and install the best available technology with respect to storage capacity. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>AJR 14 (Jeffries)</b> Goods Movement: Custom Duties	Memorializes the President and Congress to enact legislation that will ensure that a substantial increment of new revenues derived from customs duties and importation fees be dedicated to mitigating the economic, mobility, security, and environmental impacts of trade in this state and in other trade-affected states. (Introduced 2/22/2007)	Assembly	

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<b>SB 9 (Lowenthal)</b> Trade Corridors Improvement Fund	States the intent of the Legislature to enact urgency legislation that establishes a process for the selection of transportation projects to be funded from the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund, established by Proposition 1B. (Introduced 12/4/06)	Senate Rules Committee	
<b>SB 16 (Florez)</b> Rail Grade Crossings: Automatic Gates	Requires the Public Utilities Commission to order that a public-rail grade crossing be equipped with automatic gates, if it determines in the course of investigating a public-rail grade crossing collision, that it is more likely than not that the collision would not have occurred if the crossing had been equipped with automatic gates, or if the commission determines that the injury to person or property resulting from the collision would have been substantially reduced if the crossing had been equipped with automatic gates. (Introduced 12/4/06)	Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee	
<b>SB 19 (Lowenthal)</b> Air Quality Improvement Account: Proposition 1B	Declares the intent of the Legislature to enact urgency legislation that establishes conditions and criteria, as specified, for projects funded by the \$1 billion account to fund freight-related air quality needs established by Proposition 1B. (Introduced 12/4/06)	Senate	
<b>SB 33 (Simitian)</b> Cell Phone Use While Driving	Beginning on July 1, 2008, prohibits a person possessing a valid instruction permit, student license, or provisional license from driving a motor vehicle while using a wireless telephone or a mobile service device, including a handset equipped with a hands-free device. Provides that this prohibition does not apply to a person using a wireless telephone or a mobile service device for emergency purposes. (Amended 2/14/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	
<b>SB 45 (Perata)</b> Transit Security & Emergency Preparedness Fund: Proposition 1B	States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would establish the application process for allocations from the Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response Account. (Introduced 12/22/06)	Senate Rules Committee	

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<b>SB 47</b> <b>(Perata)</b> State-Local Partnership Program: Proposition 1B	States the intent of the Legislature to enact provisions governing project eligibility, matching fund requirements, and the application process relative to allocation of bond proceeds for the State-Local Partnership Program, established by Proposition 1B. (Introduced 12/22/2006)	Senate Rules Committee	
<b>SB 53</b> <b>(Ducheny)</b> State Highway System Performance Review	Requires the Department of Transportation to develop specified performance measures to establish an evaluation and rating of the overall quality of the state highway system. Requires an annual report to the Legislature in that regard. (Introduced 1/10/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	
<b>SB 56</b> <b>(Runner)</b> Design-Build Demonstration Program	Declares the intent of the Legislation to authorize a demonstration program that would allow a careful examination of the benefits and challenges of using a design-build method of procurement for transportation projects. Authorizes certain state and local transportation entities to use a design-build process for contracting on transportation projects. Requires a transportation entity to implement a labor compliance program for design-build projects. Establishes a procedure for submitting bids. (Introduced 1/10/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	
<b>SB 61</b> <b>(Runner)</b> Public-Private Partnerships	Authorizes the Department of Transportation or regional transportation agency nominating a project to pay a stipend to proposers of a project under certain conditions. Authorizes the department or regional transportation agencies to enter into agreement under which a private entity constructs a transportation project that is operated without the charging of a toll or user fee, but where the private entity receives compensation in the form of a shadow toll or other type of payment. (Introduced 1/17/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	
<b>SB 71</b> <b>(Florez)</b> Biodiesel Fuel: Required Blend for Public Agencies	Requires all vehicles owned or leased by the state, by a city, county or city and county, or by a mass transit district, that uses diesel fuel to instead use B20 biodiesel fuel or a higher blend of biodiesel. Requires the State Air Resources Board to establish a program to implement and monitor the requirements. (Introduced 1/17/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	

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<b>SB 74</b> <b>(Florez)</b> Biodiesel Fuel Sales Tax Exemption	Exempts from sales and use taxes gross receipts from the sale, storage, use, or other consumption of tangible personal property purchased for use in the manufacturing, processing, or production of biodiesel fuel. Exempts from those taxes gross receipts from the sale, storage, use, or other consumption of biodiesel fuel. (Introduced 1/17/07)	Senate Revenue and Taxation Committee	
<b>SB 124</b> <b>(Ducheny)</b> Toll Evasion: Registered Owner	Defines registered owner, for purposes of liability for a toll evasion violation, to include a person registered as the owner of the vehicle by the appropriate agency or authority of another state, the District of Columbia, or a territory or possession of the United States. (Introduced 1/23/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	
<b>SB 140</b> <b>(Kehoe)</b> Renewable Diesel Fuel	Requires all diesel fuel sold or offered for sale in the state for use in internal combustion engines to contain a percentage of renewable diesel fuel no later than one year after a specified finding is made by the state board, and, no later than 2 years after the implementation of standard. Requires all diesel fuel sold or offered for sale in the state for use in internal combustion engines to contain a percentage of renewable diesel fuel. (Introduced 1/25/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	
<b>SB 163</b> <b>(Migden)</b> Yerba Buena Island Ramps	Requires that, prior to the completion of the transfer of ownership of former naval Station Treasure Island from the federal government to the Treasure Island Development Authority, the department work in cooperation with the authority on design and identifying funding. Authorizes the Department of Transportation and other interests in land for the state to own and operate certain ramps. Makes the ramp connections part of the state highway system. Requires a project study report. (Introduced 1/30/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	
<b>SB 184</b> <b>(Alquist)</b> State Transportation Improvement Projects: Reimbursement for Local Expenditure	Provides that a regional or local entity that is the sponsor of a project contained in the state transportation improvement program may expend its own funds and receive future reimbursement for any component of a project within its jurisdiction that is included in an adopted state transportation improvement program as long as the expenditure is made during the year in which the project is programmed. (2/06/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	

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<b>SB 262</b> <b>(Runner)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation: Trade Corridors	Requires the Transportation Commission, when allocating certain funds to projects, to consider the impact of a project on goods movement and port operations in the Southern California region and the potential of a project to benefit the inland port concept in order to relieve congestion at and in the vicinity of the Port of Los Angeles and the Port of Long Beach. (Introduced 2/14/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	
<b>SB 264</b> <b>(Alquist)</b> SCVTA Authoriza- tion for New Sales Tax	Authorizes the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority to place an additional sales tax measure on the ballot in the amount of 0.125 or multiple thereof, if certain conditions are met. (Introduced 2/14/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	
<b>SB 286</b> <b>(Dutton)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation: Local Streets and Roads	Requires bond funds for local street and road purposes to be allocated in two cycles with the first cycle to begin not later than January 1, 2008 and the second cycle to be made not later than January 1, 2010. Allow a local agency that is ready to spend its entire amount to do so in the first cycle. Requires the Controller to use the population figures from the Department of Finance as of January 1, 2007 in making allocations to cities. (Introduced 2/15/07)	Senate Transportation and Housing Committee	
<b>SB 292</b> <b>(Wiggins)</b> Propositions 1C & 84 Implementation	Provides that it is the intent of the Legislature to develop guidelines to various new fund sources created by Propositions 1C and 84, including the \$850 million infill housing fund, the \$90 million urban greening fund, and the \$90 million planning fund. (Introduced 2/15/07)	Senate Rules Committee	
<b>SB 307</b> <b>(Dutton)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation: Trade Corridors	States the intent of the Legislature to incorporate the Southern California National Freight Gateway Strategy into the Goods Movement Action Plan for the purposes of allocating the \$2 billion Trade Corridors fund created by Proposition 1B. (Introduced 2/16/07)	Senate	
<b>SB 372</b> <b>(Steinberg)</b> High Speed Rail Authority: Economic Development Study	States the intent of the Legislature to commission a study on the economic development potential and the career technical education opportunities that would result from the implementation of the high speed train project. (Introduced 2/21/07)	Senate	

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<b>SB 375</b> <b>(Steinberg)</b> California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): Urban Infill Projects	Adds new criteria by which a project may be considered exempt from CEQA: if it results in a reduction of vehicle miles traveled by residents of the project when compared to the average vehicle miles traveled within the county or major metropolitan area. (Introduced 2/21/07)	Senate	
<b>SB 445</b> <b>(Torlakson)</b> Road User Task Force	Creates the Road User Task Force consisting of 11 members appointed by the President pro Tempore of the Senate (2), the Speaker of the Assembly (2), the Governor (2), the California Transportation Commission (3), the League of California Cities (1), and the California State Association of Counties (1) to recommend alternative transportation funding options to the per-gallon gasoline tax and submit a report to the Legislature and the Governor by January 1, 2009. (Introduced 2/21/07)	Senate	
<b>AB 494</b> <b>(Kehoe)</b> Alternative Fuels	Requires the Air Resources Board to develop and adopt regulations that will ensure that an unspecified percentage of new passenger vehicles and light-duty trucks sold in the state each year are clean alternative vehicles, and that commencing January 1, 2020, one-half of new passenger vehicles and light-duty trucks sold in the state each year are clean alternative vehicles. (Introduced 2/21/07)	Senate	
<b>SB 613</b> <b>(Simitian)</b> San Mateo County: \$4 Vehicle Registration Fee	Authorizes the City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County to impose a fee of up to \$4, until January 1, 2019, on motor vehicles registered within San Mateo County for a program for the management of traffic congestion and stormwater pollution within that county. (Introduced 2/21/07)	Senate	
<b>SB 716</b> <b>(Perata)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation: Transit Funding	States the intent of the Legislature to establish the process through which transit operators may apply for an allocation of funds from the Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement, and Service Enhancement Account created by Proposition 1B. (Introduced 2/22/07)	Senate	

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<b>SB 717</b> (Perata) Transportation Investment Fund	Continues the Transportation Investment Fund in existence and specifies the use of revenues deposited in that fund from gasoline sales tax revenues subject to Proposition 42, beginning in the 2008-09 fiscal year. (Introduced 2/22/07)	Senate	
<b>SB 745</b> (Perata)	States the intent of the Legislature to require the Office of Emergency Services to develop criteria for allocating general obligation bonds for port, harbor, and	Senate	

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<b>SB 872</b> <b>(Ackerman)</b> Proposition 1B Implementation: State-Local Partnership Program	Creates the State-Local Partnership Program as established in the \$19.9 billion transportation infrastructure bond, and states legislative intent to appropriate \$200 million annually for five years, beginning in the 2010-11 fiscal year. Provides for allocation of state funds to eligible highway and mass transit guideway projects nominated by local agencies that are funded with half the revenues derived from a locally imposed transportation sales tax. Specifies the process for applying for, receiving, and expending these funds. (Introduced 2/23/2007)	Senate	
<b>SB 889</b> <b>(Maldonado)</b> High Occupancy Vehicle Lane Enforcement: Toll-free Phone Line	Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to establish a toll-free program for members of the public to report high-occupancy vehicle "carpool" lane violations and for the DMV to issue warning notices on the basis of the information provided. (Introduced 2/23/2007)	Senate	
<b>SB 934</b> <b>(Lowenthal)</b> Housing and Infrastructure Zones	Establishes a pilot project allowing for the formation, under criteria developed by specified councils of governments and the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing, of 100 housing and infrastructure zones in the state. Authorizes the California Economic Development and Infrastructure Development Bank to issue bonds backed by tax-increment financing and to finance the purchase, construction or improvement of various projects. (Introduced 2/23/2007)	Senate	
<b>SB 947</b> <b>(Hollingsworth)</b> California Environ- mental Quality Act Exemptions	Exempts expansion of existing overpasses, as well as on- and off-ramps built on easements or rights-of-way under the control of a state or local transportation agency or a city, county, or city and county from California Environmental Quality Act requirements. (Introduced 2/23/2007)	Senate	

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<b>SB 974</b> <b>(Lowenthal)</b> Container Fee for Congestion Relief & Environmental Mitigation	<p>Requires the ports of Los Angeles, Long Beach, and Oakland to collect a user fee on the owner of container cargo moving through their respective ports at a rate of \$30 per twenty-foot equivalent unit. Requires the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to transmit half of the funds derived from fee to the Southern California Port Congestion Relief Trust Fund, which the bill establishes in the State Treasury, and half to the Southern California Port Mitigation Relief Trust Fund, which the bill establishes in the State Treasury. Requires the Port of Oakland to transmit half of the funds derived from the fee to the Northern California Port Congestion Relief Trust Fund, which the bill establishes in the State Treasury, and half to the Northern California Port Mitigation Relief Trust Fund, which the bill establishes in the State Treasury. Moneys transmitted to the Southern California Port Congestion Relief Trust Fund and the Northern California Port Congestion Relief Trust Fund to be available, upon appropriation, for expenditure by the California Transportation Commission exclusively for the purposes of funding projects that improve the flow and efficiency of container cargo to and from those ports, and funding the administrative costs of this program. Prohibits moneys deposited in those funds from being loaned or transferred to, or allocated or appropriated in any other way to, the General Fund. The bill would prohibit the use of the funds for construction, maintenance, or improvements to highways, with certain exceptions. Require the moneys transmitted to the Southern California Port Mitigation Relief Trust Fund and the Northern California Port Mitigation Relief Trust Fund to be available, upon appropriation, for expenditure by the California Air Resources Board to develop a list of projects to mitigate environmental pollution caused by the movement of cargo to and from those ports, and for the administration of this program. Prohibits moneys deposited in those funds from being loaned or transferred to, or allocated or appropriated in any other way to, the General Fund. (Introduced 2/23/2007)</p>	Senate	
<b>SB 976</b> <b>(Torlakson)</b> Water Transit Authority	<p>Requires that the primary focus of the Water Transit Authority is to plan and operate a comprehensive regional public water transit system. (Introduced 2/23/2007)</p>	Senate	

Federal Bills	Subject	Status	MTC Position
<b>HR 534 (Lynch)</b> Rail Transit Safety & Security	Provides for the security and safety of rail and rail transit transportation systems, and for other purposes. (Introduced 1/17/2007)	House Homeland Security & Transportation & Infrastructure Committees	
<b>HR 535 (Lynch)</b> Rail Worker Emergency Training Program	Provides for a Rail Worker Emergency Training Program. (Introduced 1/17/2007)	House Homeland Security Committee	
<b>HR 656 (Reichert)</b> Higher Standards for Automobile Fuel Economy	To require higher standards of automobile fuel efficiency with the goal of reducing the amount of oil used for fuel by automobiles in the United States by 10 percent beginning in 2017, and for other purposes. (Introduced 1/24/2007)	House Energy & Commerce Committee	
<b>HR 734 (Pitts)</b> Public Transporta- tion Projects	Allows additional transit systems greater flexibility with certain public transportation projects. (Introduced 1/30/2007)	House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee	
<b>S 294 (Lautenberg)</b> Amtrak Reauthorization	A bill to reauthorize Amtrak, and for other purposes. (Introduced 1/7/2007)	Senate Commerce, Science & Transportation Committee	
<b>S 357 (Feinstein)</b> Fuel Economy	A bill to improve passenger automobile fuel economy and safety, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, reduce dependence on foreign oil, and for other purposes. (1/22/2007)	Senate Commerce, Science & Transportation Committee	
<b>S 406 (Hutchison)</b> Transit Operating Funding	Makes operating costs of equipment and facilities for use in public transportation in an urbanized area with a population of more than 200,000 an eligible expense of federal transit funding if such public transportation system operates less than 100 buses on fixed-route service during peak service hours. (1/26/2007)	Senate Banking Housing and Urban Affairs Committee	

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<b>S 642 (Durbin)</b> Environmental Justice	Codifies in federal law Executive Order 12898, relating to environmental justice, to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to fully implement the recommendations of the Inspector General of the Agency and the Comptroller General of the United States, and for other purposes. (2/16/2007)	Senate Environment and Public Works Committee	

**California Legislature**  
2007-08 Regular Session Calendar

<p>January 2007</p> <p>1 Statutes take effect</p> <p>3 Legislature reconvenes</p> <p>5 Governor's State of the State Address</p> <p>10 Budget must be submitted by Governor</p> <p>26 Last day to submit bill requests to Office of Legislative Counsel</p>	<p>July</p> <p>13 Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills</p> <p>20 Summer recess begins upon adjournment, provided budget bill has been passed</p>
<p>February</p> <p>23 Last day to introduce bills</p>	<p>August</p> <p>20 Legislatures reconvenes from summer recess</p> <p>31 Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills to the Floor</p>
<p>March</p> <p>29 Spring Recess begins upon adjournment</p>	<p>September</p> <p>3-14 Floor session only. No committee may meet for any purpose.</p> <p>7 Last day to amend a bill on the Floor</p> <p>14 Last day for any bill to be passed. Interim recess begins upon adjournment.</p>
<p>April</p> <p>9 Legislature reconvenes</p> <p>27 Last day for policy committees to hear and report fiscal bills for referral to fiscal committees</p>	<p>October</p> <p>14 Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature on or before September 14 and in the Governor's possession after September 14</p>
<p>May</p> <p>11 Last day for policy committees to hear and report non-fiscal bills introduced to the Floor</p> <p>25 Last day for policy committees to meet prior to June 11</p>	
<p>June</p> <p>1 Last day for fiscal committees to hear and report bills to the Floor. Last day for fiscal committees to meet prior to June 11.</p> <p>4-8 Floor session only. No committee may meet for any purpose.</p> <p>8 Last day to pass bills out of house of origin</p> <p>11 Committees may resume</p> <p>15 Budget bill must be passed by midnight</p>	<p>January 2008</p> <p>1 Statutes take effect</p> <p>7 Legislature reconvenes</p>

**110th United States Congress**  
2007 Session Calendar

<p>January</p> <p>4 110<sup>th</sup> Congress convenes</p> <p>15 Senate and House recess for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</p> <p>16 Senate and House reconvene</p>	<p>July</p> <p>2-6 Independence Day District Work Period</p> <p>9 Senate and House reconvene</p>
<p>February</p> <p>19 President's Day</p> <p>19-23 Presidents' Day Recess</p> <p>25 Senate and House reconvene</p>	<p>August</p> <p>6-Sept 3 Summer District work period</p>
<p>March</p>	<p>September</p> <p>3 Labor Day</p> <p>4 Senate and House reconvene</p>
<p>April</p> <p>2-13 House District Work Period</p> <p>2-9 Senate District Work Period</p>	<p>October</p> <p>26 Target Adjournment Date</p>
<p>May</p> <p>28- June 1 Memorial Day Recess/District Work Period</p>	<p>November</p> <p>6 Election Day</p> <p>11 Veterans Day</p> <p>22 Thanksgiving Day</p>
<p>June</p> <p>4 Senate and House reconvene</p>	<p>December</p> <p>5 Hanukkah</p> <p>25 Christmas Holiday</p>