

Lake County State Bills with Possible Positions (2025-26 Session)

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Bill	Author	Unofficial Summary	Possible Position	Category
SB 973	Becker	Would require CAL FIRE to provide more guidance and support for the Wildfire County Coordinator Program.	Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
SB 1001	Archuleta	Would require CalOES to develop a program to issue identification cards to water utility employees of a local agency or mutual water company to authorize access to a disaster area.	Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
SB 1076	Perez	Would generally require property insurers to offer coverage to homes that meet minimum hardening requirements established by the Insurance Commissioner.	Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
SB 1084	Alvarado-Gil	Would provide an income tax credit for home hardening and vegetation management activities in high and very high fire severity zones.	Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 1559	Calderon	Would put new guardrails on the use of aerial images for cancelling residential property insurance.	Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 1971	Bennett	Would exclude certain home hardening projects improvements from the definition of “newly constructed” for property tax purposes.	Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 2517	Calderon	Would increase transparency and public input before finalizing fire severity zone designations and make other more minor changes to the process.	Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 1891	Connolly	Would expand training, organizational capacity, and support for community-led beneficial fire programs, including by providing competitive grants through CAL FIRE.	Monitor / Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 1934	Bennett	Would create a home hardening certificate program to help bring existing buildings into alignment with state building standards in the WUI.	Monitor / Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 2410	Ellis	Would exempt from CEQA most critical fuels reduction projects in high and very high fire hazard severity zones.	Monitor / Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 2472	Committee on Emergency Management	Would require CalOES, in consultation with relevant state and local agencies, to develop catastrophic plans.	Monitor / Support	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 1888	Ortega	Would impose wage and “skilled and trained workforce” requirements on contractors performing work under the California Safe Homes grant program, which helps low- and moderate-income homeowners make their homes more resistant to fires by replacing roofs and building fire-resistant zones around their properties.	Monitor / Oppose	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 2102	DeMaio	Would require CAL FIRE and local fire agencies to assess all undeveloped public lands to ensure that it is not a moderate, high, or very high fire hazard, require all public lands to have a 200’ fire break on all borders with privately owned land, and exempt wildfire fuel reduction activities on private land from CEQA.	Monitor / Oppose	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
SB 899	Grove	Would require the Wildfire and Forest Resilience Task Force to assess the health costs and impacts of high-severity wildfire smoke, and make recommendations on how their action plan can increase related health benefits	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters

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SB 1043	Jones	Would require the Department of Insurance to report annually on the change in the number of FAIR Plan policies by ZIP Code.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
SB 1079	Stern	Would create the Fire Innovation Unit in CAL FIRE for wildfire technology research, coordination, and deployment.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
SB 1153	Caballero	Would require urban water providers serving high and very high fire severity zones to include incident-specific response procedures for wildfires as part of their disaster preparedness plans.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
SB 1270	Richardson	Would require CAL FIRE and CalOES to provide financial assistance under the wildfire mitigation program to the ten counties with the greatest combined risk of wildfire and social vulnerability.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 1805	Ransom	Would require wireless providers in high-fire or earthquake threat districts to ensure minimum service levels during emergency conditions, including outbound 911 calls.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 1893	Gallagher	Would expand eligible fire prevention activities under the CAL FIRE local assistance grant program to include buying and installing mobile rigid dip tanks.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 1960	Bennett	Would allow communities to apply to CAL FIRE for “cohesive fire community status” if at least half of homes have a home hardening certificate and Would allow up to 20 percent of wildfire prevention grants to go to those communities.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 1964	Bennett	Would require the State Fire Marshal to report on the number of homes in each moderate-, high- and very high-fire hazard severity zone, how many meet hardening criteria, and how much it Would cost to harden the rest.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 1986	Bennett	Would require residential property insurance quotes, on request, to give the price for the home if it receives a home hardening certificate and for the home in its current state.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 2013	Bennett	Would require water suppliers in moderate, high, or very high fire hazard severity zones to prepare an emergency preparedness plan for response to major power outages and emergencies.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 2370	Arambula	Would give CalOES statewide regulatory authority over public safety communications.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 2473	Committee on Emergency Management	Would require the Wildfire Forecast and Threat Intelligence Integration Center to proactively recommend, based on extreme, life-threatening fire weather forecasts, whether an emergency on a state or local level should be proclaimed.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 2474	Committee on Emergency Management	Would require CalOES to create, by 2028, an interoperable public alert and early warning software that the public emergency warning system operator of each city or county must utilize to send emergency alerts.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 2513	Petrie-Norris	Would authorize grants to be issued to regional entities for activities that create fire adapted communities and landscapes, and expand the definition of those activities.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters
AB 2724	Bauer-Kahan	Would limit catastrophe modeling to properties in ZIP codes where at least 10% of insured residential properties are in the FAIR Plan.	Monitor	Fires, Insurance, and Other Disasters

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SB 1054	Cabaldon	Would modify employer reporting requirements to EDD to provide information in a way that helps determine eligibility for public benefits.	Support	Health and Human Services
AB 96	Jackson	Would remove the requirement of possessing a high school diploma from the requirements necessary for an applicant to be a certified peer support specialist.	Support	Health and Human Services
AB 1602	Rubio	Would establish the Child Welfare Disaster Response Program to provide housing, clothing, transportation, and other tangible needs of foster youth and their caregivers during disasters.	Support	Health and Human Services
AB 2309	Bains	Would require CDSS to use state funds to maintain CalFresh/SNAP benefits in the event of a federal funding lapse.	Support	Health and Human Services
AB 2077	Macedo	Would implement stricter standards for Medi-Cal eligibility, including more frequent redetermination and reporting.	Oppose	Health and Human Services
AB 1671	Tangipa	Would create \$10,000 competitive grants for providers to deliver medical services to individuals in rural areas.	Monitor / Support	Health and Human Services
AB 2368	Bonta	Would require DHCS to put information about indigent care online and require counties to plan for caseload, cost, and workforce needs to care to indigent adults due to reduced access to health care coverage.	Monitor / Support	Health and Human Services
SB 987	Weber Pierson	Would require the state to deposit into a new fund any savings due to decreased enrollment in Medi-Cal caused by H.R. 1. The funds would be used to ensure that California residents losing health coverage due to H.R. 1 or other divestments from the health care system can continue to receive health care services and that health care providers are reimbursed for those services.	Monitor	Health and Human Services
AB 2072	Solache	Would create a contingency fund for CalFresh and WIC to maintain benefits during a federal shutdown or appropriations lapse.	Monitor	Health and Human Services
AB 2126	Elhawary	Would allow current and former foster youth to serve in a peer-support capacity for other foster youth regardless of any nonserious crimes they committed before the age of 21.	Monitor	Health and Human Services
AB 2161	Bonta	Would require DHCS to implement work and community engagement requirements that ensure Medi-Cal eligibility is handled in ways that are least administratively burdensome to applicants and beneficiaries.	Monitor	Health and Human Services
AB 2201	Boerner	Would streamline eligibility determinations for Medi-Cal and conform to the new federal requirement for semiannual redetermination.	Monitor	Health and Human Services
AB 2208	Stefani	Would set the nonemergency copay to \$0.01 for Medicaid expansion adults and authorize providers to waive it, exempt emergency and some other services from copays, allow self-attestation for work and community engagement requirements and make other changes to incorporate HR 1 changes into Medi-Cal.	Monitor	Health and Human Services
AB 2299	Calderon	Would establish a state-funded program to provide food benefits to people losing them due to the new federal ABAWD time limits.	Monitor	Health and Human Services

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AB 2348	Bonta	Would allow Medi-Cal managed care plans to continue to offer community supports—like housing, recuperative services, and services for long-term well-being in home-like settings—if approved by DHCS as cost effective and medically appropriate.	Monitor	Health and Human Services
AB 2355	Gonzalez, J	Would require DHCS to consult with hospitals, local agencies, and other stakeholders in developing the comprehensive hospital value strategy, and to ensure that strategy includes a focus on rural hospitals, critical access hospitals, and public hospitals.	Monitor	Health and Human Services
AB 2441	Rodriguez, C	Would establish a pilot program and grant opportunity for community-based organizations, like family resource centers, that serve families with complex needs to assess and demonstrate the effectiveness of alternatives to the child welfare system.	Monitor	Health and Human Services
AB 2765	Ahrens	Would request a federal waiver to prevent CalFresh cuts for foster youth and Would increase special needs allowances in certain circumstances.	Monitor	Health and Human Services
AB 2002	Solache	Would provide one-time funding for COGs and local agencies to help meet RHNA needs up to 39 months before housing element due dates, such as planning, feasibility studies, technical assistance, temporary staffing, and creation of a housing trust.	Support	Housing and Development
AB 874	Avila Farias	Would require local agencies to provide low-income housing projects with either \$0 development impact fees or a 30-year or 50-year development impact fee loan.	Oppose	Housing and Development
SB 904	Seyarto	Would require HCD to identify state permitting requirements and building standards that Would impede rebuilding after a wildfire, and to coordinate with affected local governments to establish rapid permitting processes.	Monitor	Housing and Development
SB 1016	Blakespear	A spot bill for a bond for transitional housing.	Monitor	Housing and Development
SB 1036	Grayson	Would require that development fees be based on the net impact of the development on the need for the public facility that is funded by the fee, giving a fee credit for any use being removed or replaced by the development.	Monitor	Housing and Development
SB 1087	Cabaldon	Would reduce the frequency MPOs have to prepare sustainable communities strategies and Would distribute sustainable community funding proportionately based on population instead of through competitive grants.	Monitor	Housing and Development
SB 1383	Arreguin	Would require local agencies to post examples of applications for junior ADUs and housing development projects that they have ministerially approved under AB 8.	Monitor	Housing and Development
SB 1415	Arreguin	Would extend the property tax welfare exemption for lower income housing owned by non-profit, religious, and similar organizations to low- and moderate-income housing.	Monitor	Housing and Development
AB 1567	Ta	Would allow housing units for congregate care for the elderly to be counted toward up to 15% of a jurisdiction’s RHNA requirement.	Monitor	Housing and Development
AB 1573	Bryan	Would add victims of domestic violence to the population’s whose needs must be analyzed for housing elements.	Monitor	Housing and Development

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AB 1600	Arambula	Would explicitly include farmworker communities as “disadvantaged communities”.	Monitor	Housing and Development
AB 1611	Haney	Would end the use of like-kind exchange tax benefits for taxpayers that own 50 or more single-family residential rental properties.	Monitor	Housing and Development
AB 1751	Quirk-Silva	the Missing Middle Townhome Ownership Act, Would require ministerial approval of townhome development projects that meet certain requirements.	Monitor	Housing and Development
AB 1881	Ramos	Would generally prohibit government agencies from burdening an Indian or a tribe’s exercise of religious beliefs or practices, including access to and use of sacred sites and objects. The prohibition explicitly includes permitting decisions and land use approvals. The bill Would require early, meaningful, and good-faith government-to-government consultation with an affected tribe before authorizing or funding a project that may impact a sacred site or cultural landscape.	Monitor	Housing and Development
AB 1997	Lee	Would make a number of changes to local development laws, including reducing timelines for decisions, requiring staff members to be assigned to large development projects, and incentivizing expedited approvals of housing projects.	Monitor	Housing and Development
AB 2127	Johnson	A spot bill to streamline permitting for ADUs in rural areas.	Monitor	Housing and Development
AB 2214	Jackson	Would require between 5% and 10% of the state’s Local Agency Investment Fund to be deposited with institutions that loan to small businesses in underserved census tracts or loan to first-time or first-generation home buyers, or provide silent second lien disaster mortgages for homeowners seeking to rebuild after a disaster.	Monitor	Housing and Development
AB 2264	Lackey	Would allow county fairs to build affordable housing.	Monitor	Housing and Development
AB 2270	Arambula	Would instruct the CA Tax Credit Allocation Committee to treat applications for farmworker housing projects more like large family projects and award points similarly to rural set-aside projects.	Monitor	Housing and Development
SB 1159	Calderon	Would specify that, for the purposes of public access and transparency laws (like the Brown Act and Public Records Act), terms like “person”, “interested person”, and “member of the public” do not include artificial intelligence systems.	Support	Labor, Government, and Economic Development
SB 1191	Ochoa Bogh	Would extend the telecom universal service funds (High-Cost Fund-A and Fund-B) through 2033.	Support	Labor, Government, and Economic Development
AB 2443	McKinnor	Would require the CPUC to develop a process for carriers of last resort to end service by 2029 in areas where customers “have other options for voice service.”	Oppose	Labor, Government, and Economic Development
AB 2069	Krell	Would exempt from state sales taxes development projects located on fairgrounds.	Monitor / Support	Labor, Government, and Economic Development

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SB 1081	Laird	Would expand the list of public sanitation systems eligible to spend funds that Would otherwise be penalties for certain violations on improvements to those serving communities with fewer than 3,000, regardless of financial hardship.	Monitor	Labor, Government, and Economic Development
AB 2428	Rodriguez, C	Would end most court-ordered fees, retroactively and prospectively.	Monitor	Labor, Government, and Economic Development
AB 2640	Hadwick	Would allow audit reductions for local mandates claims to be “paid” out of reimbursement claims the state has not paid.	Monitor	Labor, Government, and Economic Development
AB 1772	Papan	A spot bill on the topic of preventing the spread of aquatic invasive species including the golden mussel.	Monitor	Natural Resources
AB 2184	Wilson	Would appropriate from GGRF \$300 million annually for nature-based climate solutions, including in croplands and grasslands.	Monitor	Natural Resources
AB 2239	Carrillo	Would require the CPUC to designate infrastructure-constrained energization areas based on available transmission capacity, projected load growth, inland or desert geography, and extended energization timelines. It Would require development of procedures to facilitate siting energy projects in those areas and exempt from CEQA electrical generation and energy storage projects in those areas.	Monitor	Natural Resources
AB 2569	Hart	Would explicitly expand CEQA to effects on the health and safety of people, and Would require an analysis of the effects of locating the proposed project near or attracting people to natural hazards and adverse environmental conditions.	Monitor	Natural Resources