

# STATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE Wednesday, May 28, 2025 10:00am - 12:00pm City Hall, Room 288

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## **MEMBERS**

Mayor's Office (Chair) -- Eileen Mariano Supervisor Connie Chan's Office -- Frances Hsieh Board President Rafael Mandelman's Office -- Brad Phelps Assessor's Office -- Holly Lung City Attorney's Office -- Rebekah Krell Controller's Office -- Hannah Kohanzadeh Treasurer's Office -- Eric Manke

# **AGENDA**

Meeting commenced at 10:07am.

#### I. ROLL CALL

Present: Eileen Mariano, Brad Phelps, Rebekah Krell, Hannah Kohanzadeh, Holly Lung, and Eric Manke. Supervisor Chan's Office was not present.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (Action Item). Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes from the meeting on April 23, 2025.

Motion to Approve: Hannah Kohanzadeh

Seconded by: Brad Phelps

Approved: 6-0

- III. STATE LOBBYIST OVERVIEW AND UPDATE (Discussion Item). The City's state lobbyist will present to the Committee an update on State legislative matters
- IV. PROPOSED LEGISLATION (Discussion and Action). Discussion and possible action item: the Committee will review and discuss state legislation affecting the City and County of San Francisco. Items are listed by Department, then by bill number.

# **New Business**

# Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development

Presenter: Sheila Nickolopoulos

AB 1244 (Wicks): California Environmental Quality Act: transportation impact

mitigation: Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Program.

Recommended Position: Support

AB 1244 would allow developers of transportation or land use projects that increase vehicle miles traveled (VMT) to pay into a fund that would facilitate the creation of affordable housing.

Motion to Approve: Brad Phelps

Seconded by: Holly Lung

Approved: 7-0

# **Department of Environment**

Presenter: Joseph Piasecki and Alice Hur

AB 377 (Bennett): Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: grant program: edible food

recovery.

Recommended Position: Support

The bill builds on an existing grant program administered by CalRecycle to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the State by expanding or creating new projects to reduce, recycle, or reuse recyclable materials, including organic material. Specifically, it will make the transportation of recovered edible food and the purchase or subscription to technology or software that improves the efficiency and tracking of edible food recovery, eligible for grant funding.

Motion to Approve: Brad Phelps Seconded by: Frances Hsieh

Approved: 7-0

#### San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Presenter: Kellie McManamon

SB 350 (Durazo): Water Rate Assistance Program.

Recommended Position: Support

SB 350 establishes the Water Rate Assistance Program and under that program, enacts the Water Rate Assistance Fund in the State Treasury. If appropriated by the State Legislature, the Fund will assist California low-income ratepayers in paying for drinking water and wastewater services. The State Water Resources Control Board would help administer the discount to ratepayers.

The SFPUC recommends a support position for SB 350.

Motion to Approve: Eric Manke Seconded by: Holly Lung

Approved: 7-0

## San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Presenter: Kellie McManamon

AB 532 (Ransom): Water rate assistance program.

Recommended Position: Support

AB 532 would establish the California Low Income Household Water Rate Assistance Program, which would give assistance to ratepayers in water systems that have under 3,000 connections or are in disadvantaged communities. It also grants the statutory authority for local water agencies to implement a low-income water assistance program.

The SFPUC recommends a support position for AB 532.

Motion to Approve: Eric Manke Seconded by: Hannah Kohanzadeh

Approved: 7-0

## San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Presenter: Kellie McManamon

AB 823 (Boerner): Solid waste: plastic microbeads: plastic glitter.

Recommended Position: Support

AB 823 prohibits the selling, distributing, or offering for promotional purposes of cleaning or personal care products that are used as an abrasive to exfoliate or

polish, and contain more than one part per million (ppm) by weight of plastic microbeads. It also bans personal care products that contain plastic glitter.

The SFPUC recommends a support position for AB 823.

Motion to Approve: Brad Phelps

Seconded by: Holly Lung

Approved: 7-0

# **Department of Public Health**

Presenter: Max Gara

AB 309 (Zbur): Hypodermic needles and syringes.

Recommended Position: Support

Current law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes a physician or pharmacist to, without a prescription or permit, furnish hypodermic needles and syringes for human use to a person 18 years of age or older. This bill would delete the January 1, 2026, repeal date of this law, thereby extending it indefinitely.

Motion to Approve: Frances Hsieh

Seconded by: Eric Manke

Approved: 7-0

# **Department of Public Health**

Presenter: Max Gara

AB 1460 (Rogers): Prescription drug pricing.

Recommended Position: Support

AB 1460 seeks to promote health equity and access to care by ensuring community health centers and other safety-net providers that qualify for the 340B drug pricing program can utilize contract pharmacies to dispense medications to their patients in underserved communities.

Motion to Approve: Hannah Kohanzadeh

Seconded by: Brad Phelps

Approved: 7-0

# San Francisco Police Department

Presenter: Dr. Diana Aroche

AB 468 (Gabriel): Crimes: looting. **Recommended Position: Support** 

AB 468 is a bill that would add sentencing enhancements for the crime of looting, when committed within an area under evacuation or a state of emergency. Additionally, committing the crime of looting in areas under evacuation or under a state of emergency while impersonating an emergency services worker would result

in felony charges.

Motion to Approve: Brad Phelps

Seconded by: Eric Manke

Approved: 6-1

No's: Hannah Kohanzadeh

# Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office

Presenter: Eric Manke

SB 657 (Niello): Personal Income Tax Law: deferred compensation: exclusions:

long-term qualified tuition program.

Recommended Position: Support

SB 657 would conform California tax law to recent federal changes under federal law, allowing rollovers from 529 college savings accounts to Roth IRAs to be excluded from state taxable income. The bill removes a major barrier to participation in 529 plans—fear of tax penalties on unused funds if a child does not attend college—by ensuring that these rollovers are treated consistently at both the state and federal levels.

Motion to Approve: Frances Hsieh

Seconded by: Holly Lung

Approved: 7-0

V. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. Members of the public may address the Committee on items of interest that are within the Committee's subject matter jurisdiction and that do not appear on the agenda.

# VI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:56am.

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