



**BILLS OF SPECIAL INTEREST
CHAPTERED BILLS
2013-2014 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

SUMMARY

AB 131 Voter Registration: Affidavits: Rebuttable Presumptions	
AUTHOR:	Williams
INTRODUCED:	01/15/2013
STATUS:	08/13/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 93, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Provides that in the event that the county elections official receives an affidavit of registration, executed under penalty of perjury, that does not include the affiant's place of birth, his or her affidavit of registration shall not be deemed incomplete.
AB 149 Voting Rights: County Probation Departments	
AUTHOR:	Weber
INTRODUCED:	01/18/2013
AMENDED:	05/24/2013
STATUS:	10/05/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 580, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Requires each county probation department to either establish and maintain on the county probation department's Internet Web site a hyperlink to the Secretary of State's voting rights guide for incarcerated persons or post a notice with the Internet Web site address that contains the Secretary of State's voting rights guide for incarcerated persons in each probation office where probationers are seen.
AB 214 Voting: State of Emergency	
AUTHOR:	Skinner, Ammiano, Bloom, Brown, Stone, Ting, and Corbett
INTRODUCED:	01/31/2013
AMENDED:	05/28/2013
STATUS:	10/03/2013 Signed by the Governor, Chapter 498, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Requires the Secretary of State to establish, in consultation with county elections officials, procedures and publish guidelines for voting; in the event of a natural disaster or other state of emergency, by December 31, 2014.

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SB 214 continued:	Requires the Secretary of State to publish those procedures and guidelines on his or her Internet Web site, and report to the Legislature on the readiness of the state to hold elections during or following a natural disaster or other state of emergency, as specified.
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AB 254 Registrar of Voters: County of Modoc	
AUTHOR:	Dahle
INTRODUCED:	02/06/2013
STATUS:	06/24/2013 Signed by the Governor, Chapter 12, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	To be discussed
SUMMARY:	Extends authority to the County of Modoc to authorize a board of supervisors to appoint a registrar of voters to discharge all duties vested by law in the county elections official which relate to, and are part of, the election procedure.

AB 331 Consolidation of Elections	
AUTHOR:	Garcia
INTRODUCED:	02/13/2013
AMENDED:	04/30/2013
STATUS:	08/13/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 98, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support Los Angeles County sponsored
SUMMARY:	Specifies that whenever an election is consolidated with a special election, the consolidated election shall be held and conducted, and all other proceedings incidental to and connected with the election to be regulated and done, in accordance with the provisions of law regulating the special election. Requires the resolution to acknowledge that the consolidated election will be held and conducted in accordance with provisions of law regulating the statewide election.

AB 354 Local Ballot Measures: Impartial Analysis	
AUTHOR:	Dahle
INTRODUCED:	02/13/2013
AMENDED:	07/09/2013
STATUS:	09/09/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 265, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Requires the impartial analysis for a county, city, or district ballot measure to include a statement indicating whether the measure was placed on the ballot by a petition signed by the requisite number of voters or by the county board of supervisors, city governing body, or district governing body, respectively. Requires the impartial analysis for a school district ballot measure to include a statement indicating that the measure was placed on

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AB 354 continued:	the ballot by the governing board of the school district.
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AB 408 Municipal Utility Districts: Elections	
AUTHOR:	Bonta
INTRODUCED:	02/15/2013
AMENDED:	04/15/2013
STATUS:	08/16/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 108, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Requires if, in a district, as specified, no one or only one person has filed a declaration of candidacy for a particular ward by 5 p.m. on the 83 rd day prior to the day fixed for the general election, the county elections official shall submit a certificate of these facts to the district board and inform the board that it may adopt a specified course of action.

AB 530 Vote By Mail Ballots: Telephone Applications	
AUTHOR:	Quirk-Silva
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2013
AMENDED:	05/29/2013
STATUS:	10/03/2013 Signed by the Governor, Chapter 501, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Authorizes a local elections official to offer a voter the ability to apply for a vote by mail voters ballot by telephone. Requires the applicant to provide to the elections official personal identifying information that matches the information contained on the applicant's affidavit of registration. Provides that the applicant's signature shall not be required. Prohibits a person from applying for a vote by mail voters ballot by telephone using the name of, or on behalf of, another person.

AB 700 Pupil Instruction: Voter Education	
AUTHOR:	Gomez
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2013
AMENDED:	08/14/2013
STATUS:	10/02/2013 Signed by the Governor, Chapter 483, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Requires the Instructional Quality Commission, when the history-social science framework is revised, to ensure that voter education information is included in the American government and civics curriculum at the high school level, including, but not limited to, information on the importance of registering to vote in local, state, and federal elections, where and how to access and understand the voter information pamphlet and other materials to become an informed voter, and certain other information. Provides that it shall not be construed as requiring the commission to meet specifically for

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AB 700 continued:	purposes of implementing the changes made by the bill, and would require that any revisions to the history-social science framework made pursuant to the bill be implemented in accordance with the commission's regular adoption schedule.
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AB 813 Election Results	
AUTHOR:	Melendez
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2013
AMENDED:	04/16/2013
STATUS:	08/16/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 112, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY: AB 813 continued:	Requires the certified statement of the results of the election and the certified statement of the vote to be posted on the Internet Web sites of the local elections official and the Secretary of State in a downloadable spreadsheet format that may include, but is not limited to, a comma-separated values file or a tab-separated values file and that is compatible with a spreadsheet software application that is widely used at the time of the posting. Requires that the certified statement of the election results to be posted and maintained on the elections official's Internet Web site for a period of at least 10 years following the election. Provides that these provisions only apply to an elections official who uses a computer system that has the capability of producing the election results in a downloadable spreadsheet format without requiring modification of the computer system.

AB 817 Elections Officials	
AUTHOR:	Bonta
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2013
AMENDED:	06/25/2013
STATUS:	08/27/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 162, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Authorizes an elections official to appoint a person who is lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States, as specified, and who is otherwise eligible to register to vote, except for his or her lack of United States citizenship, to serve as a precinct board member. Provides that the elections official may appoint not more than five nonvoters per precinct to serve as precinct board member. Provides that a nonvoter appointed to serve as a precinct board member is prohibited from serving as or performing the duties of the inspector of a precinct board, or from being used by the precinct board to tally votes.

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AB 829 Election Management Systems	
AUTHOR:	Fong
INTRODUCED:	02/21/2013
STATUS:	09/09/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 268, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Requires that, no later than January 31, 2014, and annually thereafter, the vendor of an election management system to cause an exact copy of the source code for each component of the election management system, including complete build and configuration instructions and related documents for compiling the source code into object code, to be deposited into an approved escrow facility. The vendor shall place in escrow source codes for each version of the election management system in use in a county in the state. Provides to the Secretary of State reasonable access to the materials placed in escrow. Authorizes injunctive relief to implement these requirements. Provides that venue for the proceeding would be exclusively in Sacramento County.

***AB 1135 Vote-by-Mail Ballots: Signature Verification	
AUTHOR:	Mullin
INTRODUCED:	02/22/2013
AMENDED:	06/25/2013
STATUS:	09/09/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 271, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Provides that the county elections official, upon receipt of a vote by mail ballot, shall compare the signature on the identification envelope with the signature appearing on a form issued by an elections official that contains the voter's signature, that is part of the voter's registration record, and that the elections official has determined compares with the signature on the voter's affidavit of registration or any previous affidavit of registration, as specified. Provides that a county elections official is also permitted to compare the signature on the oath of voter declaration with the signature appearing on the form issued by the elections official that contains the voter's signature

AB 1316 Election Ballots: Identical Candidate Names	
AUTHOR:	Harkey
INTRODUCED:	02/22/2013
AMENDED:	04/16/2013
STATUS:	08/13/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 106, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Requires the elections official to assign a number to each candidate with a similar name to be printed on the ballot as a distinguishing mark. Requires

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AB 1316 continued:	that the distinguishing mark commence with the number %1+ and continuing in numerical sequence until each candidate with a similar name has been assigned a distinguishing number. Requires the elections official to conduct a drawing of the numbers assigned to the candidates to determine the order on the ballot for the candidates with similar names.
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AB 1417 Elections	
AUTHOR:	Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee
INTRODUCED:	03/20/2013
AMENDED:	09/03/2013
STATUS:	10/04/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 560, 2013 Statutes
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Revises existing law that defines a %ballot marking system+ as any mechanical, electromechanical, or electronic system and its software that is used for the sole purpose of marking a ballot for a special absentee voter, as specified and requires a county elections official to place a notice in any office within the county, as specified, to inform potential special absentee voters of their right to a vote by mail voters ballot and where registration materials and application forms can be obtained, by replacing the references to a special absentee voter with a military or overseas voter. Deletes provisions that provide if a mistake or omission of a military or overseas voter in completing a document does not prevent determining whether the military or overseas voter is eligible to vote, the mistake or omission does not invalidate the document, and that the failure to satisfy a nonsubstantive requirement does not invalidate a document submitted by a military or overseas voter, and that notarization is not required for the execution of a document. Corrects erroneous cross-references pertaining to applications for permanent vote by mail status.

AB 1418 Political Reform Act of 1974: Omnibus Bill	
AUTHOR:	Assembly Elections and Redistricting Committee
INTRODUCED:	03/20/2013
STATUS:	10/08/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 654, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Requires a campaign committee to include specified information in a description of its political activities. Requires a committee to provide a statement indicating the candidate's political party that he or she has indicated. Repeals the requirement that campaign statements be open for public inspection and reproduction prior to a statewide primary or general election at specified locations.

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AB 1419 Presidential General Elections: Party Qualifications	
AUTHOR:	Committee on Elections and Redistricting
INTRODUCED:	03/20/2013
AMENDED:	08/19/2013
STATUS:	10/03/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 511, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Provides that a political body is qualified to participate in a Presidential primary election if it is able to satisfy specified voter-registration or petition signature requirements on or before the 102nd day or the 135 th day, as specified, preceding the general election. Requires each county elections official to send the Secretary of State an additional summary statement of the voters in the county not less than 102 days prior to the presidential general election, with respect to voters registered before the 123rd day before the presidential general election.

SB 44 State Internet Web Sites: Online Voter Registration	
AUTHOR:	Yee
INTRODUCED:	12/12/2012
STATUS:	09/09/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 277, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Requires each Internet Web site maintained by the state to include a hyperlink on the site's homepage to the online voter registration page of the Internet Web site of the Secretary of State.

SB 111 Elections: Voter Signature	
AUTHOR:	Beall, Hancock, Leno, Ammiano, Brown, Chesbro, Fox, and Ting
INTRODUCED:	01/15/2013
AMENDED:	03/06/2013
STATUS:	08/26/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 151, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Authorizes a registered voter or any person who is eligible to vote, who qualifies as an authorized user, to use a signature stamp only after he or she first submits his or her affidavit of registration or a new affidavit of registration. Provides that a voter can use the signature stamp to sign the affidavit in the presence of a county elections official, or utilize a signature stamp that has been approved by the Department of Motor Vehicles and transmitted to the Secretary of State, as specified.

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SB 112 Voter Information: Public Examination	
AUTHOR:	Monning
INTRODUCED:	01/15/2013
AMENDED:	06/03/2013
STATUS:	08/16/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 118, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Requires that any voter registration card information that is in existence 100 years after the creation of the record be available to the public. Provides that if records are contained in the great registers of voters and the bound register contains information covering more than one year, the records shall not be available to the public until the entire contents of the register have been recorded for at least 100 years.

SB 213 Election Petitions: Circulators	
AUTHOR:	Galgiani
INTRODUCED:	02/11/2013
AMENDED:	05/28/2013
STATUS:	09/09/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 278, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Removes the prohibition that prohibits the circulation of initiative, referendum, and recall petitions and nomination papers by a person who is not a resident of the state. Makes conforming changes to various provisions of existing law.

***SB 279 San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority	
AUTHOR:	Hancock
INTRODUCED:	02/14/2013
AMENDED:	08/26/2013
STATUS:	10/03/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 514, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	No position
SUMMARY:	Specifies that a measure proposed by the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority must be submitted to the voters of the authority in accordance with the provisions of law applicable to districts, as specified. Requires the authority to file with the board of supervisors of each affected county a resolution requesting consolidation. Requires the legal counsel for the authority to prepare, subject to review and revision by a specified county counsel, an impartial analysis of the measure. Requires the elections official of those affected counties to mutually agree to use the same letter designation for the measure. In the first election at which the authority proposes a special tax, the authority is required to reimburse each county in which the special tax measure appears on the ballot only for the incremental costs, as defined, that are incurred by the county elections

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SB 279 continued:	official related to submitting the measure to the voters, and would repeal this provision on January 1, 2017. (Urgency)
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SB 311 Local Elections: Charters and Charter Proposals	
AUTHOR:	Padilla
INTRODUCED:	02/15/2013
AMENDED:	07/02/2013
STATUS:	08/28/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 184, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Watch
SUMMARY:	Eliminates the option of submitting a city or city and county charter or a proposal to amend or repeal a charter to the voters at a statewide primary or regularly scheduled municipal election, except for city or city and county charter proposals to amend or repeal a charter that are proposed by voter petitions, as specified, that are required to be submitted to the voters at the next regularly scheduled general municipal election or at any established statewide general or statewide primary election occurring not less than 88 days after the date of the order of election. Requires a charter, charter amendment, or charter proposal not excepted to be submitted to the voters at a statewide general election, provided there are at least 95 or 88 days, as applicable, before the election. Authorizes the governing body of a city or city and county to direct that a charter proposal that proposes to amend a charter, as specified, to comply with a court injunction or consent decree or with federal or state voting rights laws be submitted to the voters at the next regularly scheduled general municipal election or at any established statewide general or statewide primary election occurring not less than 88 days after the date of the order of election.

SB 360 Certification of Voting Systems	
AUTHOR:	Padilla
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2013
AMENDED:	08/30/2013
STATUS:	10/05/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 602, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support Los Angeles County sponsored
SUMMARY:	Recast and revises existing provisions by changing the term %approval+ to the term %certification+ . Authorizes the Secretary of State to certify, conditionally approve, as specified, or withhold approval of a voting system. Provides that it is the intent of the Legislature that the Secretary of State certify all voting systems before they are used in future elections, adopt and publish testing standards, and encourage the development of voting systems that are easy to audit. Requires the Secretary of State to adopt and publish voting system standards and regulations, as specified. Requires the Secretary of State to study the performance of the voting systems in use in the state.

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SB 362 Voting Procedures: Natural Disasters	
AUTHOR:	Padilla
INTRODUCED:	02/20/2013
AMENDED:	08/05/2013
STATUS:	10/04/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 566, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support if amended
SUMMARY:	Requires a county elections official to, upon request of an out-of-state emergency worker, issue a vote by mail ballot to the out-of-state emergency worker using a process to be determined by that elections official upon the declaration of an out-of-state emergency by the Governor and the issuance of an executive order authorizing an out-of-state emergency worker to cast a ballot outside of his or her home precinct.

SB 553 Local Government: Assessment: Elections Procedures	
AUTHOR:	Yee
INTRODUCED:	02/22/2013
AMENDED:	08/05/2013
STATUS:	09/06/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 215, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Oppose
SUMMARY:	Requires, where a proposed fee or charge is submitted to the registered voters residing in the affected area for approval, a county elections official shall conduct that election. Requires special procedures to be applied regarding the form and tabulation of ballots, if a local government agency opts to submit the proposed fee or charge for approval by a vote of the subject property owners, as provided. Becomes operative on July 1, 2014.

SB 589 Vote by Mail Ballots: Sample Ballots	
AUTHOR:	Hill and Mullin
INTRODUCED:	02/22/2013
AMENDED:	08/12/2013
STATUS:	09/09/2013 Signed by Governor, Chapter 280, 2013 Statutes.
CACEO POSITION:	Support
SUMMARY:	Requires the county elections official to establish a free access system by which a vote by mail voter may learn whether his or her ballot was counted and, if not, the reason why it was not counted. Requires the elections official to make the free access system available to a vote by mail voter upon completion of the official canvass and for 30 days thereafter. This bill would permit the county elections official to use the county's free access system for provisional ballots to establish the free access system for vote by mail ballots. Permits the elections official to elect not to mail a sample ballot to a voter if specified conditions are satisfied. Permits the elections official to cause to be printed one less copy of the sample ballot for each

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SB 589 continued:	voter to whom the elections official elects not to mail a sample ballot. Requires the elections official to use any savings achieved to offset the costs associated with establishing a free access system for vote by mail ballots before the savings may be used for any other purpose, if the county elections official elects not to mail a sample ballot to a voter.
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ASSEMBLY BILLS	17
SENATE BILLS	10
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