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Legislative Update



Key Deadlines for the 2021 Legislative Year

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- 1/8: Governor submitted budget
- 1/11: Legislature reconvened
- 2/19: Bill introduction deadline
- 4/30: Policy cmtes to move fiscal bills to fiscal cmtes (1st house)
- 5/7: Policy cmtes to move nonfiscal bills to floor (1st house)
- 5/21: Fiscal cmtes must move bills to floor (1st house)
- 6/4: Each house to pass bills introduced in that house
- 6/15: Budget bill must be passed
- 7/14: Policy cmtes to meet and report bills (2nd house)
- 8/27: Fiscal cmtes to move bills to floor (2nd house)
- 9/10: Last day for each house to pass bills
- 10/10: Last day for Governor to sign/veto bills

Key Energy Themes Emerging in 2021

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- Building Decarbonization
- Clean Energy + Storage – technologies, counting rules, tariffs
- De-Energization
- Grid Reliability / Resource Adequacy
- Central Procurement

Preliminary Bill Tracker - Assembly

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Bill #	Author	Description	Status	EBCE Position
AB 33	Ting	Prohibits natural gas connections for new public bldgs.; prohibits gas corporations from providing service extension or line installation allowances after 1/1/2022.	Asm U&E Cmte	WATCH
AB 64	Quirk	Requires agencies to develop strategy to achieve zero-carbon electricity policy in cost-effective and environmentally friendly manner, including energy storage methods/technologies.	Asm U&E Cmte	WATCH
AB 427	Bauer-Kahan	Requires CPUC to establish rules governing the intersection of demand response, energy storage including customer-sited distributed generation plus storage, and RA.	Asm U&E Cmte	WATCH
AB 525	Chiu	Requires CEC to develop plan to achieve 10,000 MW offshore wind by 2040; requires CPUC to include offshore wind in IRP.	Asm U&E Cmte	WATCH
AB 1088	Mayes	Establishes CA Procurement Authority to fill in procurement gaps if LSEs lack adequate RA and IRP resources; serves as POLR if IOU exits retail service.	Awaiting referral	WATCH
AB 1139	Gonzalez	Specifies avg CARE discount level. Repeals current NEM tariff and requires new NEM tariff based on wholesale rates. Requests for customer self-gen interconnection to be processed <30 days or IOU must explain to CPUC and customer why not.	Awaiting referral	WATCH
AB 1161	E.Garcia	Requires Dept of Water Resources (DWR) to procure 100% of electricity for state agencies by 12/31/2030. Requires LSEs to provide confidential pricing info to DWR.	Awaiting referral	WATCH

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Bill #	Author	Description	Status	EBCE Position
SB 18	Skinner	Requires ARB to prepare strategic plan for accelerating green hydrogen.	Sen EUC Cmte	WATCH
SB 31	Cortese	Requires CEC to promote existing & new bldg. decarb incl through EPIC.	Sen EUC Cmte	WATCH
SB 32	Cortese	Requires cities/counties to amend elements of general plans to decarbonize newly constructed commercial & residential bldgs.	Sen Governance & Finance Cmte	WATCH
SB 52	Dodd	Adds deenergization events to state of emergency and local emergency.	Sen Gov Org Cmte	WATCH
SB 67	Becker	Accelerates 100% renewable/zero-carbon goals on a 24/7 basis.	Sen Rules Cmte	WATCH
SB 68	Becker	Building decarb: reduces barriers to upgrading electric service panels.	Sen Rules Cmte	WATCH
SB 99	Dodd	Requires CEC to develop grant program for local governments to develop community energy resilience plans.	Sen EUC Cmte	WATCH
SB 345	Becker	Requires CPUC to define nonenergy benefits & incorporate in DER evals.	Sen EUC Cmte	WATCH
SB 423	Stern	Requires CPUC to ensure LSE RA reliability during extreme events.	Awaiting referral	WATCH
SB 529	Hertzberg	Spot bill re centralized RA.	Awaiting referral	WATCH
SB 533	Stern	Requires IOU collaboration with CCAs on microgrid development. Requires CPUC/CAISO to develop methodology for counting RA from distributed energy storage.	Awaiting referral	WATCH
SB 612	Portantino	CalCCA-sponsored spot bill: access to benefits of IOU legacy resources.	Awaiting referral	[SUPPORT]

- Continue to review and analyze bills and amendments
- Monitor existing bills on our watch list; determine when EBCE should formally take a position
- Monitor Governor's Budget request: \$1.5B for Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEV):
 - Extend AB 8 and securitize \$1B for EV and hydrogen infrastructure through CEC, including loans, primarily for light- and heavy-duty vehicle charging stations
 - \$50M from general fund for EV charging at state facilities
 - \$465M for vehicle incentives
 - 10-year delay in property tax assessment for ZEV charging and refueling stations completed by 1/1/24
- Engage with CalCCA on legislative efforts
 - Collaborate with CalCCA on SB 612