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Legislative Update



Legislative Highlights

- SB 612
- Summary of AB 1139 (Gonzalez), as amended
- Update on Bills EBCE is Supporting

Update on SB 612

- Passed out of Senate Appropriations Cmte on 5/20
- Currently on Senate Floor (1st house)
 - EBCE has requested meetings with Sen Eggman's office, Sen Glazer's office, and Sen Wieckowski's office (Sen Skinner is a co-author), to share EBCE's support and the support of our member jurisdictions who have sent in letters, in advance of the floor vote
- If SB 612 passes out of the Senate, it will then move to the Assembly (2nd house) Utilities & Energy Cmte

Summary of AB 1139 (Gonzales)

Bill #	Author(s)	Description	Sponsor	Status
AB 1139	Lorena Gonzalez (Approps), Carrillo (U&E) principal coauthor: Quirk (U&E)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires the CPUC to develop a replacement tariff for NEM by 2/1/2022 and requires the large IOUs to offer the new tariff by 12/31/2023. • Eliminates requirement that the NEM tariff ensure that customer-sited renewable DG continues to grow sustainably • Requires that an existing NEM customer be transferred to the replacement tariff no later than 10 years from the date the customer first received service pursuant to NEM tariffs • If the CPUC fails to adopt a replacement by 2/1/2022, requires CPUC to develop a successor NEM tariff for large IOUs to take effect by 12/31/2023 that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost-effectively achieves the policy goals and objectives of the state and includes specific alternatives designed for growth among residential customers in DACs • Is based on the costs and benefits of the facility for non-NEM customers • Ensures that the non-NEM customer benefits exceed or are ~ equal to benefits to NEM customers • Includes interconnection fees and monthly fixed charges based on the cost to interconnect and serve the NEM customer, and • Credits the NEM customer for exported electricity at the hourly wholesale market rate at the time of export and location of the NEM customer 	Author-sponsored (supported by Coalition of CA Utility Employees)	Assembly Floor

Adopted Bill Positions – Assembly

Bill #	Author	Description	Sponsor	Status	EBCE Position
AB 33	Ting	Requires CEC to provide grants and loans to local governments to maximize energy use savings and expand installation of energy storage and availability of transportation electrification infrastructure.		Senate (2 nd house), pending cmte referral	SUPPORT: letter to be sent to Sen cmte
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.	CalSSA	Bill dies: Did not pass Asm Approps	SUPPORT: letter sent 3/31
AB 525	Chiu	Requires CEC to evaluate and quantify max feasible capacity of offshore wind and to establish planning goals for 2030 and 2045.	ACPA	Asm Floor	SUPPORT: letter sent 3/31
AB 843	Aguiar-Curry	Allows CCAs to enter into Bioenergy Market Adjusting Tariff (BioMAT) contracts and recover related costs through the existing nonbypassable charge for the BioMAT program.	Marin Clean Energy	Asm Floor	SUPPORT: letter sent 3/31
AB 1087	Chiu	EJ Community Resilience Hubs. Reallocates funding from CA Climate Credit towards streamlined grant program run by third-party administrator for climate resiliency improvements to buildings that constitute community hubs.	APEN, CEJA, NRDC	2-year bill	SUPPORT
AB 1239	Ting	Requires investigation into causes of demand response market failures and why demand response is not reaching its potential; recommendations to ensure market failures not repeated. Recommendations to CPUC to revise policies governing demand response resources. CEC and CAISO to develop initiatives to achieve all cost-effective demand response by 2030.	California Efficiency + Demand Management Council	2-year bill	SUPPORT
TBD	Ting	Budget bill – not yet in print. Reallocates unused funds from the New Solar Homes Partnership Program and applies them to two new programs to be administered by the CEC for residential building decarbonization efforts and grants to local governments to adopt automated permitting systems to support reducing home GHG emissions.	NRDC	Was not included in Gov's May Budget Revise	SUPPORT: signed on to coalition letter

Adopted Bill Positions – Senate

Bill #	Author	Description	Sponsor	Status	EBCE Position
SB 31	Cortese	Requires CEC to identify/implement programs to promote existing & new building decarb. Would authorize expending fed funds for these projects. Would require CEC under EPIC to award funds for projects benefiting electric ratepayers & leading to development of building decarbonization technologies and investments to reduce GHG in those bldgs.	Author-sponsored	Bill dies: Did not pass Sen Approps	SUPPORT
SB 52	Dodd	Expands sudden and severe energy shortage definition to include deenergization events, constituting state of emergency and local emergency.	Napa Cty Board of Supervisors	Asm Emergency Mgmt Cmte (2nd house)	SUPPORT: letter to be sent to Asm cmte
SB 68	Becker	Requires CEC to develop guide for overcoming barriers to electrification of buildings and installation of EV charging equipment. Authorizes CEC EPIC \$ for reducing costs of building electrification.	Author-sponsored	Sen Floor	SUPPORT: letter to be sent to Asm cmte
SB 99	Dodd	Community Energy Resiliency Act of 2021. Requires the CEC to develop and implement a grant program for local govts to develop community energy resilience plans.	The Climate Center	Sen Floor	SUPPORT: letter sent 4/14
SB 345	Becker	Requires the CPUC to establish common definitions of nonenergy benefits, incorporate into DER programs and projects, and track nonenergy benefits produced in DER program evals.	Author-sponsored	Bill dies: Did not pass Sen Approps	SUPPORT
SB 551	Stern	Establishes California EV Authority in the Governor's office, responsible for coordinating state agency activities to deploy EV and zero emission charging infrastructure, create funding/financing tools to support deployments, prioritize equity	LACI, TEP	Sen Floor	SUPPORT: letter sent 3/31
SB 589	Hueso	Requires CEC to identify workforce development and training resources needed to meet EV charging infrastructure goals.	Author-sponsored	Sen Floor	SUPPORT: letter to be sent to Asm cmte
SB 612	Portantino	Requires electrical corporations to annually offer for the following year an allocation of each product arising from legacy resources that departed load customers currently bear cost responsibility for through the PCIA. Requires the CPUC to recognize and account for the value of all products in the legacy portfolio in determining the PCIA.	CalCCA	Sen Floor	SUPPORT: letter sent 3/1