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April 2, 2015 (Agenda)

TO: Each Member of the Commission

FROM: Paul Hood *PLH*
Executive Officer

SUBJECT: **Report on 2015 CALAFCO Legislative Committee Meeting– March 20, 2015**

This is an Informational Report. No Action is Necessary

The 2015 CALAFCO Legislative Committee will hold a meeting in Ontario on March 20, 2015. Your Executive Officer will participate by conference call. A copy of the Agenda is included for your review and information.

One of the agenda items is a discussion of Assembly Bill 3 (Williams). The Addendum to the packet includes a copy of the bill and well as the amendments submitted to Legislative Counsel by the Assemblmember's office. The addendum report is also attached to this staff report.

Staff will give a verbal update at the April 2, 2015, Commission meeting.

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

CALAFCO Legislative Committee MEETING AGENDA

Friday, 20 March 2015 ♦ 9:30 am – 2:00 pm

Offices of BB&K ♦ 2855 E. Guasti Road, Suite 400, Ontario, CA 91761

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**CALAFCO Legislative Committee Meeting
March 20, 2015
Meeting Packet Addendum**

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- Updated report with additional (received late) requested amendments and updated recommendation
- CALAFCO letter of Support

Agenda Item 5a – AB 3 (Williams)

- Updated status report and recommendation
- AB 3 as introduced
- AB 3 author proposed amendments dated 3/6/15

Agenda Item 5g – SB 239 (Hertzberg)

- Updated status report and recommendation
- SB 239 author proposed amendments dated 3/6/15
- SB 239 author/sponsor draft Fact Sheet and Conceptual Paper

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item 5 - ADDENDUM Current CALAFCO Tracked Legislation Bills of Interest

Prepared By: Pamela Miller, Executive Director and Committee Chair

Date: March 20, 2015

RECOMMENDATION

This report is an addendum to the existing report, and focuses specifically on two bills: AB 3 (Williams) and SB 239 (Hertzberg). Author amendments were received for both of these bills subsequent to the Legislative Committee meeting packet being published. Further, CALAFCO received two documents from the Sponsors of SB 239 and met with them and the author's staff this week. Information gained from that meeting is included in this report.

DISCUSSION

5.a. AB 3 (Williams) Isla Vista Community Services District

CALAFCO submitted Letter of Concern dated 20 December 2014.

There has been no change in the bill's language since its introduction. The author continues to hold local community meetings and it is expected that amendments will be introduced at any time. The committee will receive an update from Santa Barbara LAFCo Executive Officer Paul Hood on potential amendments.

UPDATE:

The author's office submitted amendments to the Rules Committee. These amendments are being provided in that format to you for review (there is no current inline amended version). This particular set of amendments only address services to be provided and does not address formation, governance or financing.

UPDATED Recommendation: The original recommendation was to continue to monitor until amendments are introduced. In light of the proposed amendments, the Committee may wish to consider to either (1) continue with a Watch position until the second round of amendments addressing the outstanding issues is introduced; or (2) take an Oppose Unless Amended position based on significant issues still needing to be addressed. Should the Committee decide to take the latter position, CALAFCO will formally declare that position and send the letter once the amendments are published. The Committee should also consider the position of the Santa Barbara LAFCo when considering action.

5.g. SB 239 (Hertzberg) Service extensions outside boundaries

As introduced, this is a spot bill. There is still little known about the bill outside of the sponsor, who is the California Professional Firefighters Association (CPF). At the time of this writing, the author's office still refused to share any details about the proposed amendments. All that is known from the author's staff is that the fire unions want to be a part of contract negotiations on any extension of services involving fire services. While the author's staff indicated they would be adding a section rather than amending existing language within GC §56133, nothing has been shared.