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In the last three years, Peterson Consulting, Inc. (PCI) and Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc. (SYAI) have worked to introduce 9 sponsored or co-sponsored bills for the county. Of those, 4 were signed into law and 1 is currently pending in the Senate and will be taken up later this summer. Many of these measures have direct and material financial impacts on the County, totaling hundreds of thousands of dollars now paid to the County by the State on an annual basis.

In addition, PCI and SYAI are perpetually vigilant for the County when it comes to legislation introduced by other interests and especially with respect to each and every state budget wherein the fate of dozens of county-related issues is decided annually.

**2013-14 Legislative Session****[AB 610 \(Achadjian R\) State hospitals: involuntary treatment.](#)****Chapter No.:** 705**Introduced:** 2/20/2013**Status:** 10/10/2013-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 705, Statutes of 2013.**Digest:**

Existing law requires, prior to the termination of parole or release from prison, as specified, of a parolee or prisoner with a severe mental disorder that is not in remission or cannot be kept in remission without treatment, that a written evaluation on remission be submitted to the district attorney of the county in which the parolee is receiving outpatient treatment, or for those in prison or in a state mental hospital, the district attorney of the county of commitment.

This bill would specify that, in the case of a person who is in a prison or in a state mental hospital, the written evaluation on remission be submitted to the district attorney of the county of commitment to prison.

Existing law requires a county to submit a statement of all mental health treatment costs and a separate statement of all nontreatment costs to the State Department of State Hospitals and the Controller, respectively, when a trial or hearing is held for specified inmates of state hospitals, including trials for persons charged with escape from a state hospital and trials for persons who commit a crime while confined in a state hospital.

This bill would make these provisions applicable to hearings for an order seeking involuntary treatment with psychotropic medication, or any other medication for which an order is required, of a person confined in a state hospital.

Existing law authorizes a district attorney to file a petition for continued involuntary treatment for one year of a prisoner who refused to agree to treatment as part of parole, if the prisoner's severe mental disorder is not in remission or cannot be kept in remission without treatment and the prisoner represents a substantial danger of physical harm to others.

This bill would require the nontreatment costs associated with any hearing for the involuntary medication of a person committed under this provision to be paid by the county of commitment, as defined.

**Organization:** San Luis Obispo**Position:** Sponsor

**[AB 2195 \(Achadjian R\) Juveniles: truancy.](#)**

**Introduced:** 2/20/2014

**Status:** 5/13/2014-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author. Will be set again for hearing later in June.

**Digest:**

Existing law provides that a juvenile hearing officer may hear and dispose of any case in which a minor is alleged to have committed any one of specified misdemeanors or infractions. In those cases, the juvenile court is known as the Informal Juvenile and Traffic Court. Existing law provides that a minor may be adjudged to be a ward of the juvenile court on the basis of certain noncriminal conduct, including truancy, as specified.

This bill would authorize a juvenile hearing officer to hear cases in which a minor is alleged to come within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court on the basis of truancy, as specified.

**Vote:** majority. **Appropriation:** no. **Fiscal committee:** no. **State-mandated local program:** no.

**Organization:** San Luis Obispo

**Position:** Sponsor and Support

**[AB 2453 \(Achadjian R\) Paso Robles Basin Water District.](#)**

**Introduced:** 2/21/2014

**Last Amended:** 3/28/2014

**Status:** 5/28/2014-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

**Location:** 5/28/2014-S. RLS.

**Summary:**

Existing law, the California Water District Law, provides for the formation of California water districts and grants these districts authority relating to, among other things, the production, storage, transmission, and distribution of water. That district law generally requires the members of the board of a California water district, and the voters of that district, to be landowners, but provides for the modification of these requirements by the board of that district. This bill would set forth the composition of, and method of election by landowners and registered voters for, the board of directors for the Paso Robles Basin Water District, the boundaries of which shall be established and may be modified by the San Luis Obispo County Local Agency Formation Commission.

**Organization:** San Luis Obispo

**Position:** Support

**2011-12 Legislative session**

**[AB 1016 \(Achadjian R\) Inmates: state hospitals: reimbursement of costs.](#)**

**Introduced:** 2/18/2011

**Status:** 10/9/2011-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 660, Statutes of 2011

**Digest:**

Under existing law, a county is required to submit a statement of all nontreatment costs incurred by the county relating to a trial or hearing for a person who is confined to a state hospital, as specified, to the Controller for approval. Existing law requires those costs to be paid out of money appropriated by the Legislature to the county treasurer of the county in which the trial or hearing was held.

Under existing law, a city, county, or superior court is entitled to reimbursement for reasonable and necessary costs connected with trials and hearings relating to state prisons or prisoners, as specified. This bill would require that reimbursement for specified nontreatment costs be paid from moneys appropriated by the Legislature for purposes of reimbursing cities, counties, or superior courts for prison- and prisoner-related costs. By adding a new purpose for previously appropriated funds, this bill would make an appropriation.

Appropriation: yes.

**Organization:** San Luis Obispo

**Position:** Sponsor

**[AB 1125 \(Achadjian R\)](#) Public health: County of San Luis Obispo and Los Osos Community Services District.**

**Introduced:** 2/18/2011

**Status:** 8/4/2011-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 177, Statutes of 2011

**Digest:**

Existing law authorizes the County of San Luis Obispo to undertake any efforts necessary to construct and operate a community wastewater collection and treatment system to meet the wastewater collection and treatment needs within the Los Osos Community Services District. Existing law prohibits the Los Osos Community Services District, on and after January 1, 2007, from undertaking any efforts to design, construct, and operate a community wastewater collection and treatment system within, or for the benefit of, the district, until the County of San Luis Obispo adopts a resolution that would return the responsibility to the Los Osos Community Services District, as specified.

This bill would authorize the County of San Luis Obispo, and the Los Osos Community Services District, upon resuming the responsibilities of operating a community wastewater collection and treatment system, to develop a program that would offset the assessments and charges adopted by the county for very low and low-income households with outside funds, including grants. The bill would prohibit the county and the district from including in an assessment or charge an amount to cover the costs in offsetting the services.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the County of San Luis Obispo and the Los Osos Community Services District.

**Organization:** San Luis Obispo

**Position:** Sponsor

**[AB 2101 \(Achadjian R\)](#) Juvenile Rehabilitation Training Camp Pilot Program.**

**Introduced:** 2/23/2012

**Status:** 4/27/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was A. HUM. S. on 3/12/2012)

**Digest:**

Existing law establishes various programs for juveniles deemed to be wards of the court as a result of the commission of certain offenses.

Existing law, the Community Care Facilities Act, provides for the licensure and regulation of community care and residential facilities by the State Department of Social Services. Violation of the act is a misdemeanor.

This bill would establish a residential training camp pilot program, to be known as the Juvenile Rehabilitation Training Camp Pilot Program, for the purpose of providing an alternative placement option for male juveniles who commit specified offenses. The bill would authorize any program in San

Luis Obispo County that meets specified criteria to be licensed and funded as a group home to the extent permitted by federal law and the California Constitution. The bill would exempt the program from certain requirements governing group homes. By requiring the program to comply with the Community Care Facilities Act, except as specified, the bill would expand the scope of an existing crime, thereby creating a state-mandated local program.

This bill would require the State Department of Social Services to provide a report with specified information to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2018, and a 2nd report with recommendations to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2023, relating to the operation of the program.

The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2023.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for San Luis Obispo County.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement. This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

**Organization:** San Luis Obispo

**Position:** Sponsor

**[AB 2161 \(Achadjian R\)](#) Energy: renewable energy resources.**

**Introduced:** 2/23/2012

**Status:** 9/7/2012-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 250, Statutes of 2012.

**Digest:**

Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to provide up to \$7,000,000 in grants to qualified counties for the development or revision of rules and policies that facilitate the development of eligible renewable energy resources, and their associated electric transmission facilities, and the processing of permits for eligible renewable energy resources.

This bill would additionally include the County of San Luis Obispo as a qualified county to receive the above grants.

**Organization:** San Luis Obispo

**Position:** Sponsor

**[AB 2257 \(Achadjian R\)](#) Nuisance: landfill activities.**

**Introduced:** 2/24/2012

**Status:** 5/11/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was A. L. GOV. on 5/1/2012)

**Digest:**

(1) Existing

*Existing* law defines a nuisance, in part, as anything that is injurious to health, or is indecent or offensive to the senses, or an obstruction to the free use of property, so as to interfere with the comfortable enjoyment of life or property. Existing law authorizes various remedies for nuisances, including remedies to effect abatement and damages. Existing law provides, among other things, that no agricultural activity, operation, or facility, or appurtenances thereof, as defined, in operation for more than 3 years, and conducted or maintained for commercial

purposes in a manner consistent with proper and accepted customs and standards, shall become a nuisance due to any changed condition in the locality if it was not a nuisance at the time it began, except as specified.

This bill would provide that no landfill *waste management* activity, operation, or facility, or appurtenances thereof, as defined, in operation for more than 3 years, and conducted or maintained for commercial purposes in a manner consistent with proper and accepted customs and standards, shall become a nuisance due to any changed condition in the locality if it was not a nuisance at the time it began, except as specified. *Under the bill, in an act ion or proceeding to abate the use of waste management activities, proof that the waste management activities have been in existence for 3 years will constitute a rebuttable presumption that the activities do not constitute a nuisance.*

(2) Existing law requires certain disclosures to be provided to the purchaser of specified residential real property consisting of not less than one or more than 4 dwelling units upon transfer of that property. Among other things, the seller of residential real property who has actual knowledge that the property is adjacent to, or zoned to allow, an industrial use, or affected by a nuisance created by that use, is required to give written notice of that knowledge as soon as practicable before transfer of title.

This bill would require the seller of any residential dwelling consisting of not less than one or more than 4 dwelling units that is in close proximity to a landfill activity, operation, or facility, or appurtenances thereof, to give written notice to the purchaser of that real property before transfer of title that the property is subject to the provisions described in (1) above. The bill would require the purchaser to sign the required disclosure.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

**Organization:** San Luis Obispo

**Position:** Sponsor

**[AB 2443 \(Williams D\)](#) Vessels: registration fee: Quagga and Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Program.**

**Introduced:** 2/24/2012

**Status:** 9/23/2012-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 485, Statutes of 2012

**Digest:**

Existing law establishes various programs administered by, among other agencies, the Department of Fish and Game and the State Lands Commission, to prevent aquatic invasive species introduction and manage the spread and impacts of aquatic invasive species in state waters. Existing law prohibits, except as authorized by the Department of Fish and Game, a person from possessing, importing, shipping, or transporting in the state, or from placing, planting, or causing to be placed or planted in any water within the state, dreissenid mussels, which are regulated by the department as an invasive species.

Existing law requires the owner of a vessel, as described, to register the vessel with the Department of Boating and Waterways (department), in accordance with prescribed requirements. Existing law establishes a registration fee for vessels and applies certain fee increases to that registration fee.

This bill would impose an additional fee in specified amounts, as determined by the department, on a vessel required to pay that registration fee. The bill would require the department, in determining the fee, to consult with a technical advisory group, which would be established by the department. The bill would require funds from the fee to be used to, among other things, implement and administer dreissenid mussel monitoring, inspection, and infestation prevention programs, as prescribed. The bill would require the department to adopt an emergency regulation to prescribe procedures for the collection and use of the fee.

**Organization:** San Luis Obispo

**Position:** Sponsor

**SB 106 (Blakeslee R) Special elections.**

**Introduced:** 1/13/2011

**Status:** 1/31/2012-Returned to Secretary of Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

**Digest:**

Existing law provides that expenses authorized and necessarily incurred in the preparation for and conduct of elections are to be paid from the county treasuries, except as specified.

This bill would provide that expenses authorized and necessarily incurred on or after January 1, 2009, and before April 19, 2011, for elections proclaimed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of Senator or Member of the Assembly, or to fill a vacancy in the office of United States Senator or Member of the United States House of Representatives, shall be paid by the state.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: 2/3. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

**Organization:** San Luis Obispo

**Position:** Sponsor