

2016 Legislative Update

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Overview

- **3,847 pieces of legislation introduced/carried over**
 - 1,059 bills sent to Governor
 - 900 of these bills signed into law (85%)
- **573 bills and resolutions related to air quality and climate**
 - 184 sent to Governor and 144 signed into law
 - 20 directly impact ARB
- **12 hearings and special events**
- **Budget**
 - 45 positions / \$6.8 million contract and equipment

2016 Hot Topics

- **Post-2020 Climate Action**
- **Environmental Justice**
- **Legislative Oversight**
- **Cap-and-Trade Auction Proceeds**
- **Volkswagen**
- **Aliso Canyon Gas Leak**

Post-2020 Climate Action

SB 1383 (Lara) – Signed!

- **Codifies goals in Proposed SLCP Reduction Strategy**
 - **40% reduction in methane emissions**
 - **40% reduction in fluorinated gas emissions**
 - **50% reduction in black carbon emissions**
- **Provides direction to work with and regulate dairy and livestock industry**
- **Establishes policies to increase development and use of renewable fuels**
- **A focused Administration-wide effort**

Post-2020 Climate Action

SB 32 (Pavley) – Signed!



Post-2020 Climate Action

AB 32 Signing Ceremony (2006)



SB 32 Signing Ceremony (2016)



Environmental Justice

- **AB 197 (Garcia, E.) – Signed**
 - **Prioritize direct GHG control measures**
 - **Provide projected GHG and air pollutant reductions, and cost-effectiveness of measures**
 - **Post GHG, criteria pollutant, and air toxic data by facility and at local level**
- **AB 1550 (Gomez) – Signed**
 - **Increases Cap-and-Trade proceeds (GGRF) allocation for projects located within disadvantaged communities from 10% to 25%**
 - **Additional 10% for low-income households and communities**

Legislative Oversight

- **AB 197 (Garcia, E.) – Signed**
 - Adds two legislators as non-voting Boardmembers
 - Six-year staggered terms for current members
- **Joint Legislative Audit Committee**
 - GGRF expenditures
- **Assembly Transportation Committee Hearings**
 - “The Matrix”

Cap-and-Trade Auction Proceeds

- **39 bills regarding GGRF monies**
- **AB 1613 (Budget) - Signed**
 - **\$900 million of GGRF monies appropriated**
 - **Does not include 60% continuous appropriations**
 - **ARB received \$368 million**
- **SB 859 (Budget and Fiscal Review) – Signed**
 - **Modifies the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project by restricting income eligibility and increasing rebate amounts for lower-income consumers**
 - **Provides legislative direction for other GGRF funded programs, including Healthy Soils, Urban Greening, and Dairy Digesters**

Volkswagen Defeat Devices

- **Defeat devices altered emissions during test cycles for 2.0 and 3.0 liter engines**
- **Federal court approved \$14.7 billion settlement for 2.0 liter engine 2009-2015 model year vehicles**
 - **California will receive \$1.2 billion**
 - **Enforcement action on 3.0 liter vehicles and civil penalties are pending**
- **ACR 112 (Hadley) recognizes ARB's exemplary work and supports enhancing ARB's penalty authority**
- **AB 1685 (Gomez) – Signed**
 - **Increases penalties for violating mobile source emission control laws to \$37,500 per violation**

Aliso Canyon Gas Leak

- **9 bills on Aliso Canyon or similar natural gas leaks**
- **3 bills signed by the Governor**
 - **SB 380 (Pavley) – Creates a moratorium on natural gas injection at Aliso Canyon**
 - **SB 887 (Pavley) – Sets requirements for regulating natural gas storage facilities and requires ARB to develop a continuous monitoring and leak detection program**
 - **SB 888 (Allen) – Any penalties assessed for natural gas leaks from storage facilities must fully mitigate climate impacts**

Election Results

- **Senate**
 - 20 district races, 9 new Senators
 - Party balance remained the same – 26 Democrats and 14 Republicans
- **Assembly**
 - 80 district races, 22 new Assemblymembers
 - Democrats increased membership from 52 to 55, resulting in a $\frac{2}{3}$ supermajority
- **Legislature**
 - Racial and ethnic diversity increased
 - Number of women decreased

What's Next?

- **Transportation funding**
- **Cap-and-Trade**
- **Scoping Plan**
- **Volkswagen**
- **Outreach to new members**



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