

WELCOME

2026 SACRAMENTO LEGISLATIVE TOUR



Our Advocacy in 2025

A Quick Review

CCCA took positions on 36 bills relating to local control, economic development, homelessness, housing & land use development, public safety, energy, and the environment.



Our Wins

- **Advancing** bills that empower cities to address public safety issues
 - AB 476 (*Gonzalez*), AB 875 (*Muratsuchi*), SB 394 (*Allen*), & SB 720 (*Ashby*)
- **Advancing** a number of wildfire recovery bills that boost funding and public safety in impacted communities.
 - AB 338 (*Solache*), AB 468 (*Gabriel*), & SB 571 (*Archuleta*)
- **Blocking** bills that made it difficult for cities to investigate workplace disputes or safety issues.
 - AB 1109 (*Kalra*) & AB 340 (*Ahrens*)

Our Losses

SB 79 (Wiener) - OPPOSE: *Chaptered*.

- Requires a housing development project proposed near a transit-oriented development stop to be an allowed use on any site zoned for residential, mixed, commercial, or light industrial development if the project complies with various requirements.

SB 759 (Archuleta) - SUPPORT: *Died*.

- Required a county agency supervising the release of a person on postrelease community supervision to also petition a court to revoke, modify, or terminate postrelease community supervision if the person has violated the terms of their release for a third time and the person has committed a new felony or misdemeanor.

AB 339 (Ortega) - OPPOSE: *Chaptered*.

- Required cities to give recognized employee organizations 45 days' written notice before issuing requests for proposals or renewing existing various kinds of contracts.

CA Capitol Today

Key Issues

★ Affordability & the Cost-of-Living Crisis

★ Abundance Agenda

★ Federal Pushback

What We Expect in 2026

★ Budget Constraints

★ Continued Focus on Affordability Issues



Going Forward

As the 2026 legislative session kicks off, we want to **strengthen our advocacy efforts** by first taking a step back to:

- 1. Review** the legislative process (some might be more familiar with it than others!)
- 2. Share tips** on how we can best engage legislators about our bill priorities



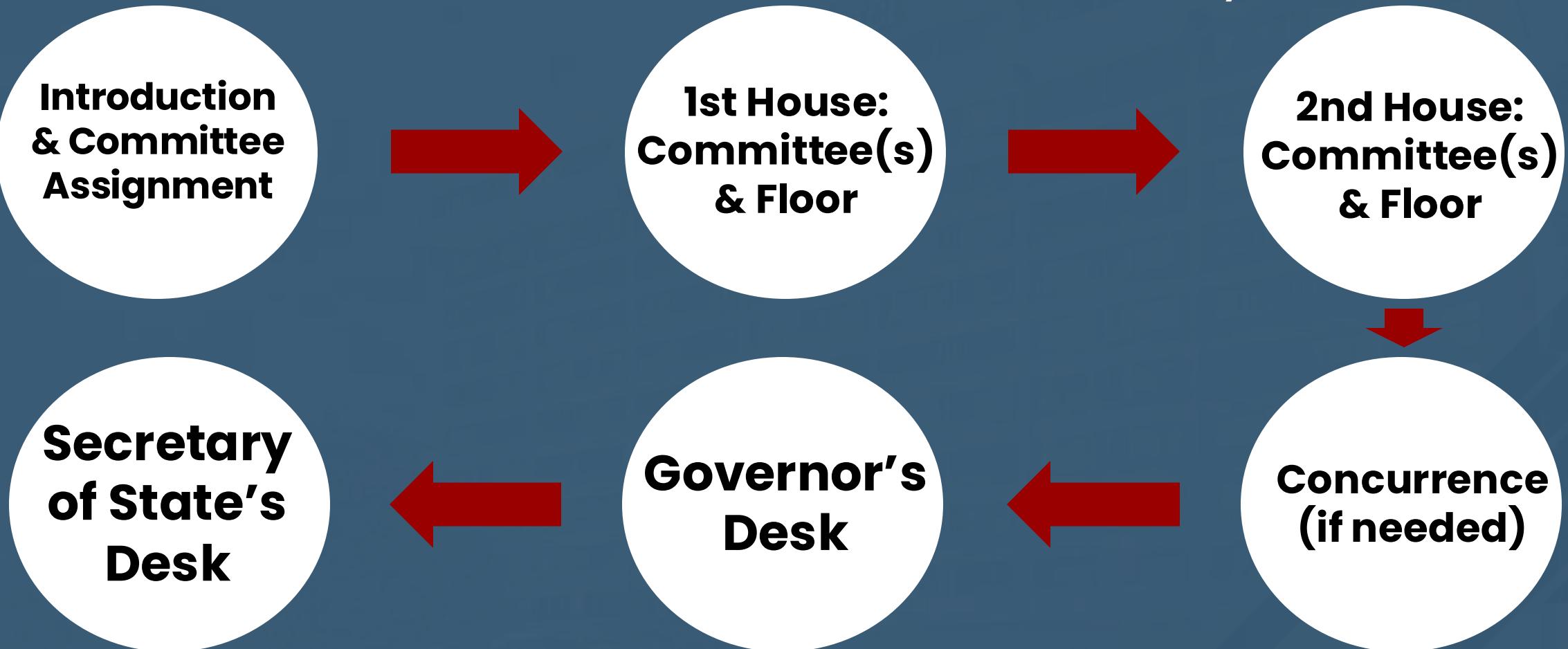
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The Life Cycle of Bill

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Notable Mentions: Spot Bills, Gut & Amends, Suspense File

Identifying Bills of Interest

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1. Researching and identifying bills that align with CCCA's legislative platform

2. Bringing bills to the CCCA Legislative Committee with recommended positions

3. Selecting priority bills & working with CCCA members to spread the word about our priorities!

Legislative Platform Issue Areas: Local Control; Housing/Land Use Development; Homelessness; Economic Development; Public Safety; Mental Health & Addiction; Energy & Utility; Environment

Engaging Legislators About Bills of Interest

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Ways to Engage Legislators



Meeting Tips: Logistics

Scheduling a meeting

- Emailing legislators' schedulers
- Filling out the online meeting request form
- Clarifying meeting attendees (names, titles, & organizations) & topic
- Clarifying in-person vs. virtual

Managing drop-in meetings

- What to expect:
 - Short meetings
 - Often with staff
 - Might be in the hallway

Meeting Tips: Building Your Testimony

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Introduce Yourself & Your Bill of Interest

- What organization and/or municipality are you representing?
- What bill do you want to talk about?



Explain the Issue

- What is the key message you are trying to get across about the bill?
- Support your message with key facts/figures and a personal story.



Propose a Solution

- What do you want the legislator to do? Support/oppose the bill? Request amendments?
- Clearly explain if there is urgency to address the issue (ex/upcoming bill hearing, floor vote, etc.).



Reminder: Follow up after meeting!

Writing & Submitting a Position Letter

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First...

- **Determine bill's status** to identify what committee/individual to address the letter to
- **Clearly call out** what legislation you are writing about and your city's position on it
- **Justify your bill position** and explain how the legislation impacts your city

Then...

- Submit an official position letter via the CA Legislature Position Letter Portal
- Continue submitting letters!

Calling or Emailing a Legislator's Office

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CALL

You can call Capitol Office phone numbers and leave a message with a staffer regarding your bill of interest

EMAIL

You can email specific Capitol Office staffers directly and/or use the email form on a legislator's webpage

NOTE: These forms of engagement are best to utilize prior to a bill hearing/floor vote, when we are urging them to take a specific position imminently

Building Capacity for State Advocacy

A Case Study



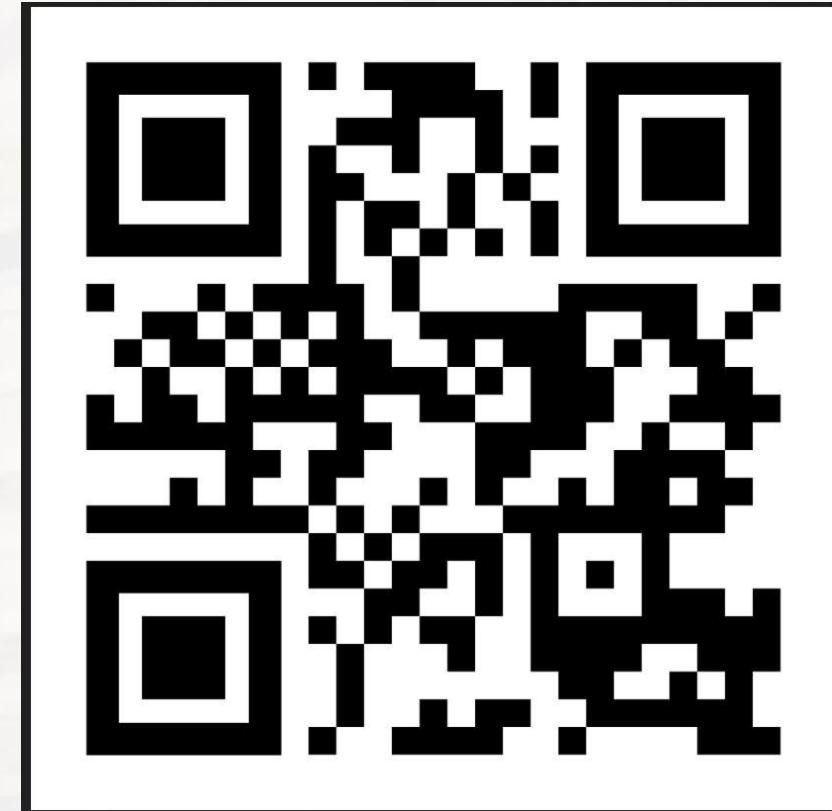
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2025 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM



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CCCA Advocacy in 2026

- **Priority bills** will be identified on a **rolling basis** this year. That means there will be **more opportunity** to get involved in advocacy efforts earlier in the session:
 - Letter writing campaigns
 - Social media pushes
 - Calls to contact your state representatives
- CCCA team will be **circulating CTA emails regularly** so you all have the latest info about priority bills, their status, and our latest calls to action.



Key 2026 Legislation: Assembly Bill 981 (Gipson) - SUPPORT

The Issue

- Each day, 12 Californians lose their lives in traffic collisions
 - $\frac{1}{3}$ of those deaths involve speeding
- Reckless drivers often remain on the road even after prior convictions
- Legislation is needed to address the public safety issue & protect residents

The Bill

- Allows a judge to install a safety device on cars of repeat speeders and other reckless drivers
- The device physically prevents their car from exceeding certain speeds
- Would roll out as a pilot program in Los Angeles, San Diego, Fresno, Sacramento, and Kern counties

AB 981 URGENT CALLS TO ACTION:

1) Share your support on social media



2) Attend tomorrow's press conference

Jan. 6th 8:30AM

Capitol Building - West Steps

Partners: Assemblymember Mike Gipson
& Street Racing Kills



AB 981 Social Media Toolkit

Tips from Inside the Building

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Questions?