Memorandum

To: Chair and Commissioners **Date**: March 10, 2008

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TAB 39
ACTION

Ref: **STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE MATTERS**

Issue:

Should the Commission take a position on the bills being monitored by Commission staff?

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Commission direct staff to meet with the Executive Committee to discuss the bills summarized below and bring back recommendations to the Commission.

Background:

In the second year of the two-year session, the Legislature introduced 1900 new bills. About one-third of the new bills – 650 bills – were introduced on February 22, the last day to introduce bills. Staff culled out 134 bills relating to transportation. Of those, Commission staff has identified 31 bills that staff is monitoring as newly introduced bills for the second year of the session and continued the watch position on two bills remaining from last year. Commission staff suggests that the Executive Committee consider the ten bills summarized below.

Toll Facilities – Two bills deal with toll facilities – AB 1954 (Jefferies) and SB 1316 (Correa).

- **AB 1954** (Jefferies) makes changes to existing law, which authorizes a regional transportation agency, in cooperation with Caltrans, to apply to the Commission to develop and operate high-occupancy toll (HOT) lanes, including administration and operation of a value pricing program and exclusive or preferential lane facilities for public transit. The Commission reviews these applications and submits an eligible application to the Legislature for approval or rejection. Existing law requires legislative approval to be achieved by enactment of a statute. Existing law prohibits approval of an application on or after January 1, 2012.

  The bill makes a series of findings regarding Commission past and pending actions on its Hot Lane Guidelines. This bill would authorize a value pricing and transit development demonstration program involving HOT lanes to be conducted, administered, and operated on State Highway Route 15 in Riverside County by the Riverside County Transportation Commission.

- **SB 1316** (Correra) would authorize the Orange County Transportation Authority to eliminate its rights, interests, and obligations in the Riverside County portion of the State Highway Route 91 toll lane. The bill would delete the 2030 limitation on issuance of bonds and collection of tolls, and would provide for the reversion of the toll lane under the authority's control to Caltrans when the franchise agreement ends. The bill would authorize toll revenues to be used for transportation purposes in the State Highway Route 91 Corridor

  This bill would authorize the Riverside County Transportation Commission to impose tolls for 50 years and issue bonds on a toll lane on its portion of State Highway Route 91, subject to extensions if reauthorized by the Legislature, and would authorize toll revenues to be used for capital and operating expenses of the toll

lane, including debt service, and for transportation purposes in the SR 91 Corridor extending east to State Highway Route 215.

The bill would require reversion of the toll lane to Caltrans after bonds are repaid unless tolls have been reauthorized by the Legislature.

Grade Separations – Three bills deal with grade separations – AB 660 (Galgiani), AB 1845 (Duvall), and AB 2500 (Strickland).

- **AB 660** would revise the highway-railroad grade separation program to delete obsolete or little used sections in terms of eligibility. The bill does not change the $15 million limit per project per year, but does make changes to the provisions limiting the maximum amount that may be allocated to a single project to $5,000,000, without specific legislative authorization.

- **AB 1845** would transfer responsibility for developing the priority list for the annual grade separation program from the Public Utilities Commission to the Commission upon completion of the expenditure of Proposition 1B general obligation bond funds that are to be allocated pursuant to the priority list process.

- **AB 2500** would change the existing law that requires Caltrans to prepare and submit to the Governor a proposed budget that includes $15,000,000 for allocation to grade separation projects, as specified. Instead, the bill would increase the amount required to be budgeted for allocation to grade separation projects to $165,000,000.

Watch Position by the Commission – Two bills reviewed by the Commission last year were assigned a "Watch" position. The bills continue from the first year of the two-year legislative session.

- **AB 995** (Nava) regarding how the Commission should consult with the Air Resources Board on the $2 billion in Trade Corridors Improvement Funds was placed on the inactive file.

- **SB 286** (Lowenthal) was heavily amended. The bill now deals with encouraging state and regional agencies to partner with the California Conservation Corps on transportation enhancement projects. Further, the bill would require the Commission to encourage partnerships by including criteria in its STIP and SHOPP guidelines. A similar bill, SB 803 (Lowenthal), was vetoed last fall by Governor. The veto message stated that the bill's intent was admirable, but criteria in the bill were overly broad and may not represent the best use of these limited funds.

Transfer of property management from Caltrans to General Services – **AB 3002 (Villines)** proposes to have the real estate arm of the General Services Administration be responsible for property management functions for properties acquired by Caltrans for highway purposes but not immediately needed for those purposes.

High-Speed Rail Authority – Two bills deal with the high-speed rail authority – AB 3034 and SB 1422.

- **AB 3034** (Galgiani) proposes changes the$9.95 billion Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act to be submitted to the voters at the November 4, 2008 general election. The bond act would refer to construction of a high-speed train system consistent with the authority's certified EIR of November 2005, rather than June 2000 final business plan. The bill would require excess revenues from operation of the high-speed train system beyond the amount needed for high-speed train purposes to be deposited in the General Fund. The bill would allow only 10% of the bond proceeds to be used for pre-construction activities, and require the authority to have a detailed funding plan for each segment of the system that identifies the full cost of construction and revenue sources for that segment, prior to awarding a construction contract for the segment.

- **SB 1422** (Lowenthal) would change existing law that created the High-Speed Rail Authority and provide that the authority may keep the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing informed of its activities.

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Bill #	Author	Bill Title	Subject	Current Status	CTC Position
			ASSEMBLY		
AB 660	Galgiani	Railroad-Highway Grade Separations	Revises the highway-railroad grade separation program to delete funding eligibility for a grade separation at a proposed new grade crossing or for removal or relocation of highways or railroad tracks to eliminate existing grade crossings. Bill provides for a maximum allocation of 80% of project costs for all projects funded but would modify the provisions limiting the maximum amount that may be allocated to a single project to $5,000,000 , without specific legislative authorization. Bill also modify the calculation of the amount of funds deducted from the apportionments of the fuel tax revenues, delete provisions requiring the reduction of cost to a party to a grade separation project when Amtrak contributes towards a project, and delete provisions authorizing a local agency to construct a grade separation project, and retain eligibility for subsequent project priority lists, prior to the time that the project reaches a high enough priority for funding.	02/07/2008 To SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING. 01/29/2008 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY. To SENATE. 01/07/2008 From ASSEMBLY Committee on TRANSPORTATION with author's amendments. 01/07/2008 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION. 02/21/07 Introduced.	Staff Monitoring
AB 842	Jones	Regional plans: traffic reduction	Bill requires the Commission to update its guidelines for the preparation of regional transportation plans, including, but not limited to, a requirement that each regional transportation plan provide for a 10 percent reduction in the growth increment of vehicle miles traveled. Bill would additionally require HCD to rank applicants for the award of capital improvement project grants from the Infill Incentive Grant Program of 2007, based upon various priorities including a reduction of vehicle miles traveled as a result of the project, as specified.	02/07/2008 To SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING. 01/28/2008 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY. To SENATE. 01/24/2008 From ASSEMBLY Cmte on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass. 01/16/2008 From ASSEMBLY Cmte on HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEV: 04/23/07 Read second time & amended. Re-referred to Cmte on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. 04/18/2007 ASSEMBLY LOCAL GOVT 02/22/2007: INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring
AB 995	Nava	Ports Infrastructure, Security, and Air Quality	$2,000,000,000 will be transferred to the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund for infrastructure improvements along designated trade corridors. Another $1 billion would be transferred to the Air Resources Board for emission reductions related to freight activities in the Trade Corridors. Bill requires the Commission to coordinate with the Air Resources Board for technical assistance in evaluating project applications.	02/13/2008 In SENATE. To Inactive File. 09/06/2007 Withdrawn from SENATE Committee on RULES. To third reading. 08/30/2007 From SENATE Cmte on APPROPS: Be re-referred to Committee on RULES. 08/22/2007 In SENATE Cmte on APPROPS: To Suspense File. 08/20/2007 From SENATE Cmte on APPROPS with author's amendments. 07/10/2007 From SENATE Cmte on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING: Do pass as amended to Cmte on APPROPRIATIONS. 06/05/2007 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY. To SENATE. 02/22/2007: INTRODUCED.	Watch
AB 1845	Duvall	Railroad-highway grade separations.	Transfers responsibility for developing the priority list for the annual grade separation program from the Public Utilities Commission to the Transportation Commission upon completion of the expenditure of Proposition 1B general obligation bond funds that are to be allocated pursuant to the priority list process.	INTRODUCED: 01/28/2008	Staff Monitoring
AB 1850	DeVore	Office of Public Private Partnerships	This bill would, until January 1, 2019, create the Office of Public-Private Partnerships within the office of the Governor and a process for the Office of Public-Private Partnerships to develop formal public-private partnership agreements to facilitate the construction and maintenance of the state's infrastructure, as defined. This bill would require the Director of the Office of Public-Private Partnerships to provide the Legislature with 90 days' notice before committing the state to participate in any partnership agreement.	02/21/2008 To ASSEMBLY Committee on BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS. 01/29/2008 Introduced	Staff Monitoring
AB 1886	DeVore	Property Taxation: Dept. of Transportation Property	This bill would specify, in statute, the requirement of ACA____ that real property owned by the Department of Transportation not be exempt from taxation if a county assessor determines that the property has not been used for a transportation purpose for any of certain time periods following the effective date of that measure. This bill would define a "transportation purpose" for purposes of that requirement, and would provide that the State Board of Equalization shall have authority over all appeals of determinations described in that requirement.	02/07/2008 INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring

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AB 1904	Torrico	Transportation: Programming of Projects	Existing law requires the California Transportation Commission to program interregional and RTIP projects through the STIP process, consistent with estimated available funding. Existing law requires regional improvement projects nominated by regional agencies to be programmed by the Commission pursuant to certain formulas, known as the north-south split and county shares. Existing law provides for county shares to be calculated based 75% on the population of a county and 25% on the total state highway miles in a county. Bill, for purposes of the county shares formula, would provide that the total number of nonfreeway miles in a county shall be calculated so that it is not less than the total number of nonfreeway miles that existed in the county on January 1, 2008.	02/21/2008 To ASSEMBLY Committee on TRANSPORTATION. Introduced - 02/07/2008	Staff Monitoring
AB 1954	Jeffries	High-occupancy toll (HOT) lanes.	Existing law authorizes a regional transportation agency, in cooperation with Caltrans, to apply to the Commission to develop and operate high-occupancy toll (HOT) lanes, including administration and operation of a value pricing program and exclusive or preferential lane facilities for public transit. Existing law requires the Commission to review these applications and submit an eligible application to the Legislature for approval or rejection. Existing law requires approval to be achieved by enactment of a statute. Existing law prohibits approval of an application on or after January 1, 2012. The bill makes a series of findings regarding Commission actions on its Hot Lane Guidelines. This bill would authorize a value pricing and transit development demonstration program involving HOT lanes to be conducted, administered, and operated on State Highway Route 15 in Riverside County by the Riverside County Transportation Commission .	03/03/2008 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION 3/2008 From ASSEMBLY Committee on TRANSPORTATION with author's amendments. 02/28/08 To Commiteee on TRANSPORTATION 02/14/08 From printer.	Staff Monitoring
AB 1968	Jeffries	Transportation Infrastructure Emergencies	Bill authorizes the Governor to declare a transportation infrastructure emergency for the purpose of relieving traffic congestion on any specific highway or segment of a highway for which Caltrans has determined that the average daily vehicle hours of delay, excluding weekends, exceeds 3,000. Upon declaration of the emergency, the bill would provide for the Governor to direct Caltrans to immediately create and implement an expedited process and establish deadlines for the construction of new highways or additional lanes on existing highways. Similar bill, AB401(Benoit) died in committee last year.	02/28/2008 To ASSEMBLY Committee on TRANSPORTATION. 02/14/08 INTRODUCED	Staff Monitoring
AB 2195	Brownley	Rail Transit	Existing law provides that any public transit guideway planned, acquired, or constructed after January 1, 1979, is subject to the regulations of the Public Utilities Commission relative to safety appliances and procedures. This bill would transfer that responsibility to Caltrans on January 1, 2010.	02/20/2008 INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring
AB 2295	Arambula	Transportation Capital Improvement Projects	Existing law generally provides for allocation of transportation capital improvement funds pursuant to the State Transportation Improvement Program process. Existing law provides for 75% of funds available for transportation capital improvement projects to be made available for regional projects, and 25% for interregional projects. Existing law describes the types of projects that may be funded with the regional share of funds, and includes local road projects as a category of eligible projects. This bill would state that local road rehabilitation projects are eligible for these funds.	02/21/2008 INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring
AB 2492	Evans	California Transportation Commission	Existing law creates the Commission relative to programming of transportation capital improvement projects and other related matters. Existing law authorizes the Commission to request and review reports of Caltrans and other entities pertaining to transportation issues and concerns that the Commission determines need special study. This bill would state that the reports that the Commission is authorized to request and review in this regard include reports of public or private entities.	02/21/2008 INTRODUCED	Staff Monitoring
AB 2500	Strickland	Grade Separation Projects	Existing law requires Caltrans to prepare and submit to the Governor a proposed budget that includes $15,000,000 for allocation to grade separation projects, as specified. This bill would increase the amount required to be budgeted for allocation to grade separation projects to $165,000,000.	02/21/2008 INTRODUCED	Staff Monitoring

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AB 2650	Carter	Department of Transportation: Environmental Process	Existing federal law requires the United States Secretary of Transportation to carry out a surface transportation project delivery pilot program The secretary has authorized California to participate in that program, and California has agreed to that participation. Existing law, until January 1, 2009, provides that the State of California consents to the jurisdiction of the federal courts with regard to the compliance, discharge, or enforcement of the responsibilities assumed pursuant to the surface transportation project delivery pilot program. Existing law requires the department to submit a specified report to the Legislature by January 1, 2008, relating to the surface transportation project delivery pilot program.	02/22/2008 INTRODUCED	Staff Monitoring
AB 3002	Villines	Department of Transportation: Property Management	This bill would provide that the Real Estate Services Division of the Department of General Services shall be responsible for property management functions for all real property and rights in real property acquired by the Department of Transportation for highway purposes that are not immediately needed for those purposes.	02/22/2008 INTRODUCED	Staff Monitoring
AB 3021	Nava	California Transportation Financing Authority	Bill creates the California Transportation Financing Authority with specified powers and duties relative to issuance of revenue bonds to fund transportation projects to be backed by various revenue streams of transportation funds, and toll revenues under certain conditions, in order to facilitate the construction of additional capacity on the state highway system. Bill set forths the requirements for a project sponsor to obtain bond funding from the authority, would allow the authority to approve the imposition of tolls on a proposed project, and would enact other related provisions.	02/22/2008 INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring
AB 3034	Galgiani	Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act urgency statute	The $9.95 billion Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century will be considered by the voters for approval at the November 4, 2008, general election. Bill would make various revisions to the bond act to be submitted to the voters. It would refer to construction of a high-speed train system consistent with the authority's certified EIR of November 2005, rather than June 2000 final business plan. Bill would revise the descriptions of route segments of the proposed high-speed train system. Bill would require excess revenues from operation of the high-speed train system beyond the amount needed for high-speed train purposes to be deposited in the General Fund. Bill would require that not more than 10% of bond proceeds be used for environmental studies, planning, and engineering activities, and require the authority to have a detailed funding plan for each segment of the system that identifies the full cost of construction and revenue sources for that segment, prior to awarding a construction contract for the segment. Bill would require the authority to give priority in selecting each specific segment for construction to those segments that require the least amount of bond funds as a percentage of total cost of construction	02/22/2008 INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring
AB 3039	Carrell	High-Occupancy Vehicle Lanes	Existing law authorizes the Department of Transportation to construct exclusive or preferential lanes for buses only or for buses and other high-occupancy vehicles. This bill would require the department, at the request of a county transportation commission or a regional transportation planning agency, to modify existing exclusive or preferential lanes that are for buses and other high-occupancy vehicles within the respective jurisdiction of the requesting entity to provide continuous access to buses and other high-occupancy vehicles. The bill would encourage the department to move these modifications in conjunction with planned restriping projects.	02/22/2008 INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring

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ACA 9	DeVore	Property Taxation: Department of Transportation	Bill proposes to amend the Constitution. Specifies that property tax exemption for property owned by the state does not apply to real property, owned by Caltrans, that is determined by a county assessor as not having been used for at least 5 years.	01/14/08 Hearing cancelled at the author's request. 07/09/2007 In ASSEMBLY Cmte on REV & TAXATION: Heard, remains in Cmte. 07/02/2007 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time & amended. Re-referred to Cmte on REV AND TAXATION. 07/02/2007 From ASSEMBLY Cmte on REV & TAXATION w/ author's amendments. 06/25/07 From ASSEMBLY Cmte on TRANS: Do pass to Cmte on REV & TAXATION 05/31/2007 To ASSEMBLY Cmtes on TRANS and REV & TAXATION. 03/22/2007 INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring
ACA 10	Feuer	Bonded Indebtedness: Local Government: Transportation	Amends the State Constitution to create an additional exception to the 1% limit on ad valorem tax on real property for a county, or city to pay for bonded indebtedness, incurred to fund specified transportation infrastructure, that is approved by 55% of the voters of the county or city. Lowers to 55% the voter approval threshold.	01/07/2008 INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring
ACA 13	DeVore	Property Taxation: Department of Transportation	This measure would specify that the property tax exemption for property owned by the state does not apply to real property, owned by the Department of Transportation, that is determined by a county assessor as not having been used for a transportation purpose during specified time periods following the effective date of this measure. This measure would provide that the maximum amount of any ad valorem property tax on real property owned by the department, that is determined by a county assessor as not having been used for a transportation purpose, shall not exceed 1% of the fair market value, as defined, of the real property.	02/07/2008 INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring
			SENATE		
SB 286	Lowenthal	~~Transportation Bonds: Implementation~~ Transportation Enhancement Funds: Conservation Corps	~~Bill requires the first payments of bond funds for local street and road purposes to be allocated by the Controller no later than January 1, 2008. Bill require funds to be encumbered within 3 fiscal years from the date of allocation, and require unencumbered funds to be returned to the Controller for reallocation.~~ Bill requires RTPAs, county transportation commissions or authorities, and CMAs to adopt criteria that give priority in the selection of transportation enhancement projects to the sponsors of eligible projects that partner with, or commit to employ the services of, a community conservation corps or the CA Conservation Corps to construct or undertake the project. Bill would authorize these agencies and Caltrans to enter into agreements or contracts with community conservation corps. Bill requires the Commission, when developing guidelines for the STIP and SHOPP, to include guidance to encourage the "allocation" of funds for transportation enhancement projects to community conservation corps and the CA Conservation Corps as partners with applicants that commit to employ the services of corps members in the construction of those projects.	01/17/2008 From ASSEMBLY Cmte on APPROPS with author's amendments. . 01/17/2008 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS 08/22/2007 In ASSEMBLY Cmte on APPROPS: Not heard. 07/09/2007 From ASSEMBLY Cmte on TRANS: pass as amended to APPROPS 06/07/2007 In SENATE. Read third time, urgency clause adopted. Passed SENATE. to ASSEMBLY. 02/15/2007:INTRODUCED	Watch
SB 375	Steinberg	Transportation planning: travel demand models: sustainable communities strategy: environmental review.	Bill requires the Commission, by July 1, 2009, to adopt guidelines for travel demand models used in the development of regional transportation plans. Bill also requires regional transportation plans for specified regions to include a sustainable communities strategy, designed to achieve certain goals for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from automobiles and light trucks. Requires Air Resources Board, working with affected transportation agencies, to provide greenhouse gas emission reduction targets from the automobile and light truck sector for 2020 and 2035, and to update those targets until 2050. Requires transportation planning and programming to be consistent with the sustainable communities strategy contained in the RTP, but would state that certain transportation projects programmed for funding on or before December 31, 2011, are not required to be consistent. Bill also requires an affected regional agency to submit a statement to the Commission on describing the relationship of each project in the RTIP to the adopted RTP. Bill provides that additional CEQA project review is not required if a jurisdiction amended its general plan, & finds the project meets certain criteria & declared a sustainable communities project.	01/28/2008 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. 01/28/2008 From ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS with author's amendments. 09/12/2007 In ASSEMBLY. Read 2nd time and amended. Re-referred to Cmte on APPROPS. 07/17/2007 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time & amended. Re-referred to APPROPS 07/03/2007 From ASSEMBLY Cmte on LOCAL GOVT: Do pass to Cte on TRANSP. 06/21/2007 To ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL GOVT and TRANSPORTATION. 06/07/2007 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. To ASSEMBLY. 2/21/2007 INTRODUCED.	Staff Monitoring

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SB 791	Corbett	~~State Highway Property: Lease for Community Services~~ State Transportation Improvement Program	~~Authorizes the Department of Transportation to lease real property in the City of Hayward adjacent to State Route 580 to a public entity for feeding program purposes. Requires the leases to be for an amount equal to 25% of the property's fair market value.~~ This bill would repeal those provisions requiring the Commission to make reports to the Legislature regarding the success of provisions of SB 45, declaring the Legislature's intent relative to the 1998 State Transportation Improvement Program, and requiring the Commission to comply with procedures and requirements of SB 45.	01/30/2008 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. To ASSEMBLY. 03/08/2007 SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION and HOUSING 02/23/2007 INTRODUCED:	Staff Monitoring
SB 974	Lowenthal	Ports Congestion Relief: Air Pollution Mitigation	Requires the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to transmit 1/2 of the funds derived from imposition of $30 fee/Twenty foot Equivalent Unit to the San Pedro Bay Ports Congestion Relief Trust Fund. Requires the Port of Oakland to transmit 1/2 of the funds derived from imposition of the $30 fee/TEU to the Port of Oakland Congestion Relief Trust Fund and 1/2 to the Northern California Port Mitigation Relief Trust Fund. The Commission will fund projects that improve the flow and efficiency of container cargo to and from those ports, and funding the administrative costs of this program. Bill prohibits the Commission from using the funds to construct, maintain, or improve highways, with certain exceptions.	02/26/2008 In ASSEMBLY. From Inactive File. To third reading. 09/10/2007 In ASSEMBLY. Inactive File. 08/30/2007 From ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass as amended. 07/09/2007 From ASSEMBLY Cmte on TRANSP: Do pass to Cmte on APPROPS 06/25/2007 From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATL RES: Do pass to Committee on TRANS. 06/19/2007 To ASSEMBLY Committees on NAT RES and TRANS. 06/06/2007 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. To ASSEMBLY. 02/23/2007 INTRODUCED:	Staff Monitoring
SB 1118	Negrete-McLeod	Airports: Airport Land Use Commissions	Eliminates the authority of the board of supervisors of a county in which an airport is located that is operated for the benefit of the general public that is not served by a scheduled airline, to adopt a resolution declaring that the county is exempt from establishing an airport land use commission. Repeals the authority of a board of supervisors and city selection committee of mayors to designate a body to assume the planning responsibilities of an airport land use commission.	PENDING: 04/02/08 Hearing by LOCAL GOVT CMTE. 02/07/08 SENATE Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, hearing canceled at author's request. INTRODUCED: 01/24/2008	Staff Monitoring
SB 1263	Ashburn	Intercity rail services: feeder buses.	Existing law authorizes the Department of Transportation to contract with Amtrak to provide intercity rail passenger services. Existing law also authorizes the department to provide funding to Amtrak to contract for feeder bus services operated in conjunction with the intercity trains, but subject to the restriction, among others, that the bus services be used only by passengers who are connecting to or from a train, subject to specified exceptions, including an exception for passengers traveling solely on the feeder bus between Sacramento and Lake Tahoe and intermediate points if no private intercity bus company provides bus service on that route. This bill, with respect to feeder bus service contracted by Amtrak, would add an additional exception to allow passengers to travel solely by bus between the community of Lebec in Kern County and the City of Santa Clarita if no private intercity bus company provides bus service on that route. The bill would authorize the department to amend its contract with Amtrak for that purpose.	02/28/2008 To SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING. 02/15/08 Introduced.	Staff Monitoring
SB 1316	Correa	Transportation Facilities: Tolls: Orange/Riverside	This bill would authorize the Orange County Transportation Authority to eliminate its rights, interests, and obligations in the Riverside County portion of the State Highway Route 91 toll lane. The bill would delete the 2030 limitation on issuance of bonds and collection of tolls, and would provide for the reversion of the toll lane under the authority's control to Caltrans when the franchise agreement ends. The bill would authorize toll revenues to be used for transportation purposes in the State Highway Route 91 Corridor This bill would authorize the Riverside County Transportation Commission to impose tolls for 50 years and issue bonds on a toll lane on its portion of State Highway Route 91, subject to extensions if reauthorized by the Legislature, and would authorize toll revenues to be used for capital and operating expenses of the toll lane, including debt service, and for transportation purposes in the SR 91 Corridor extending east to State Highway Route 215. The bill would require reversion of the toll lane to Caltrans after bonds are repaid unless tolls have been reauthorized by the Legislature.	02/28/2008 To SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING. 02/15/08 Introduced.	Staff Monitoring

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SB 1363	Perata	Transportation Projects: Lease Agreements Urgency statute	Existing law, until January 1, 2012, authorizes the Department of Transportation and regional transportation agencies to enter into up to 4 comprehensive development lease agreements with public and private entities for transportation projects primarily designed for improvement of goods movement that may charge users of those projects tolls and user fees, subject to various terms and conditions. This bill would extend that date to January 1, 2013	02/28/2008 To SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING. 02/21/08 Introduced.	Staff Monitoring
SB 1422	Lowenthal	High-Speed Rail Authority	Existing law creates the High-Speed Rail Authority, with a board of 9 members, with specified powers and duties relative to the development and implementation of a high-speed train system. Among other things, the authority is authorized to keep the public informed of its activities. This bill would additionally provide that the authority may keep the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing informed of its activities.	02/28/2008 To SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING. 02/21/08 Introduced.	Staff Monitoring
SB 1429	Perata	State Owned Toll Bridges	Existing law specifies the powers and duties of the Department of Transportation, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and the Bay Area Toll Authority with respect to the collection and expenditure of toll revenue from the 7 state-owned toll bridges within the geographic jurisdiction of the commission. Existing law provides for a uniform $4 auto toll on those toll bridges, including $1 resulting from voter-approved Regional Measure 2, revenues from which are allocated to transportation improvement projects identified along with project sponsors in a statutory expenditure plan. Existing law requires project sponsors for these projects to seek supplemental funding from all other potential sources, including the State Highway Account and federal matching funds. This bill would also require project sponsors to seek supplemental funding from state general obligation bond funds made available for transportation capital improvements.	02/28/2008 To SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING. 02/21/08 Introduced.	Staff Monitoring
SB 1510	Kehoe	San Diego County Regional Airport Authority	Bill would make clarifying changes to San Diego County Regional Airport Authority. Relevant changes include how the board is selected, how the 3-person executive committee of the Authority is established, provide that collection of the customer facility charge be required by an airport operated by an airport authority or a special district.	02/28/2008 To SENATE Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT 02/21/08 INTRODUCED	Staff Monitoring
SB 1740	Oropeza	Public Safety: Transportation	Existing law establishes the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006 to authorize $19.925 billion of state general obligation bonds for specified purposes, including port, harbor, and ferry terminal security projects, and provides that those funds designated for these projects be deposited in the Port and Maritime Security Account. Bill would make nonsubstantive changes to those provisions relating to port security.	02/22/2008 INTRODUCED	Staff Monitoring