

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS  
LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, July 21, 2011  
Summary Minutes**

**Members Present:**

Councilmember Desley Brooks, City of Oakland  
Councilmember Carole Dillon Knutson, City of Novato, *Vice Chair*  
Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson, County of San Mateo  
Mayor Jack Gingles, City of Calistoga  
Supervisor Scott Haggerty, County of Alameda  
Supervisor Barbara Kondylis, County of Solano  
Supervisor Mark Luce, County of Napa, **Chair**  
Vice Mayor Pete McHugh, City of Milpitas  
Councilmember Julie Pierce, City of Clayton

*Staff Present:*

Patricia Jones—ABAG  
Ezra Rapport – ABAG  
Kathleen Cha – ABAG

1. **Introductions:** Supervisor Mark Luce, L&GO Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:40.
2. **Minutes:** May 21, 2011, minutes were approved.
3. **2011 STATE LEGISLATIVE SESSION: NEW BILLS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**The committee reviewed the following eight new bills:**

**AB 255 (Wieckowski) Hazardous Waste: Latex Paint—Collection Facility**

**Support:** Would allow businesses (small quantity generators) to bring higher amounts of recyclable latex paint to household hazardous waste facilities than is currently allowed.

**AB 343 (Atkins) Redevelopment Plans: Environmental goals**

**Support:** Would require every redevelopment plan be consistent with regional Sustainable Communities Strategy adopted by the metropolitan planning organization or council of governments.

**AB 723 (Bradford) Energy: Public Goods Act**

**Support:** Extends the public benefits charge until 2020, leaving in place existing allocations and revises and reprograms energy efficiency programs currently implemented by CPUC.

**AB 809 (Feuer) Firearms: Long Gun Transfer Records**

**Support:** Would conform requirements for reporting and retention involving the transfer of Long Guns, with those of handguns. This bill was previously supported in the last legislative cycle.

**AB 144 (Portantino & Ammiano) Firearms: Open Carrying of Unloaded Handguns**

**Support:** Would make it a misdemeanor to carry an unloaded handgun on one's person or in a vehicle. This bill was previously supported in the last legislative cycle.

**SB 310 (Hancock) Local Development**

**Support: Vote was 4 support – 3 opposed**

Would eliminate the requirement of voter approval and authorize a legislative body to create an Infrastructure Financing District, adopt the plan and issue bonds by resolutions. An optional financing tool

**SB 878 (DeSaulnier) Regional Planning: Bay Area**

**Watch:** a placeholder bill related to JPC reporting and developing policies and guidelines for SCS, and developing a work plan for a regional economic development strategy.

**Federal Legislation: HR 1825 (Blumenauer) Commuter Relief Act**

**Support:** Would make permanent the equal treatment of parking, vanpooling and public transit benefits, would raise the bicycle benefit and allow the bicycle benefit to be used in conjunction with other benefits.

The Committee also reviewed briefly the status and updates on bills previously considered in this 2011 legislative cycle

**Under Open Agenda:**

The Committee asked staff to compile reports on past L&GO state Legislative Receptions, indicating who attended, related costs, and present recommendations for 2012 Legislative Reception for the committee to consider at the next L&GO meeting, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**7. Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. The next meeting will be **September 15, 2011.**