MEETING OF THE
LEGISLATIVE/COMMUNICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 19, 2019
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

SCAG Headquarters
Policy Meeting B Conference Room
900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700
Los Angeles, CA 90017
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MEETING INFORMATION

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CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, and ROLL CALL
(Hon. Clint Lorimore, Chair)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Members of the public desiring to speak on items on the agenda, or items not on the agenda, but within the purview of the Committee, must fill out and present a Public Comment Card to the Assistant prior to speaking. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. The Chair has the discretion to reduce the time limit based upon the number of speakers and may limit the total time for all public comments to twenty (20) minutes.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approval Items

1. Minutes of the January 15, 2019 Meeting
   Attachment 1

Receive and File

2. Legislative Tracking Report
   Attachment 5

ACTION ITEMS

3. SB 168 (Wieckowski) – Climate Change: Chief Officer of Climate Adaptation and Resilience
   (Estee Sepulveda, Legislative Analyst)
   Recommended Action: Support

4. AB 185 (Grayson, Cervantes) – California Transportation Commission: Transportation Policies: Joint Meetings
   (Estee Sepulveda, Legislative Analyst)
   Recommended Action: Support
INFORMATION ITEMS

5. Sacramento Legislative Summit Review
   (Kevin Gilhooley, Legislation Manager)  Oral Report

6. Huntington Beach/California Affordable Housing Lawsuit
   (Joann Africa, Chief Counsel/Director of Legal Services, SCAG)  Oral Report

7. Communications Update
   (Margaret de Larios, Public Affairs Specialist)  Oral Report

8. Policy and Public Affairs Division Update
   (Art Yoon, Director of Policy and Public Affairs)  Oral Report

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
Any Committee member or staff desiring to place items on a future agenda may make such a request.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT
The next regular meeting of the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at SCAG’s headquarters at 900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017.
To: Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC)  
From: Art Yoon; Director of Policy and Public Affairs; (213) 236-1840; artyoon@scag.ca.gov  
Subject: Minutes of the January 15, 2019 Meeting

The Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee held its January 15, 2019 meeting at SCAG’s offices at 900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**  
**Imperial County**  
Cheryl Viegas-Walker, District 1 *(Videoconference)*

**Los Angeles County**  
Hon. Margaret Clark, District 32 *(Teleconference)*  
Hon. Margaret Finlay, District 35 *(Teleconference)*  
Hon. Judy Mitchell, District 40 *(Videoconference)*

**Orange County**  
Hon. Donald Wagner, District 14 *(Teleconference)*

**Riverside County**  
Hon. Clint Lorimore, District 4 *(Videoconference)*  
Hon. Steve Manos, District 63 *(Teleconference)*

**San Bernardino County**  
Hon. Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County *(Teleconference)*  
Hon. Ray Marquez, District 10 *(Teleconference)*  
Hon. James Mulvihill, District 7 *(Videoconference)*  
Hon. Alan Wapner, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority *(Teleconference)*

**Ventura County**  
Hon. Carmen Ramirez, District 45 *(Teleconference)*

**CALL TO ORDER**  
The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Hon. Clint Lorimore, at 8:33 a.m. A quorum was confirmed and roll-call taken.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**  
There were no public comments presented.
REPORT

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS
There was no reprioritization of the Agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes of the December 18, 2018 Meeting

2. Legislative Tracking Report

3. California Legislature Committee Membership Rosters

4. Proposed 2019 Schedule of Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee Meetings

5. Dates of Interest

A MOTION was made (Finlay) to APPROVE the Consent Calendar. The MOTION was SECONDED (Manos) and APPROVED by a majority vote. A roll-call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

AYES: Clark, Finlay, Hagman, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, Mulvihill, Ramirez, Viegas-Walker, Wagner, Wapner (11).

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ACTION ITEMS

6. SCAG Memberships and Sponsorships

A MOTION was made (Finlay) to APPROVE the SCAG membership dues to the California Contract Cities Association.

The MOTION was SECONDED (Clark) and APPROVED by a majority vote. A roll-call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

AYES: Clark, Finlay, Hagman, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, Mulvihill, Ramirez, Viegas-Walker, Wagner, Wapner (11).

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None
7. **SCAG Policy for Consultation with Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments and Federal Land Management Agencies**

Joann Africa, Director of Legal Services/Chief Counsel, provided the Committee with a summary of the policy when consulting with federally recognized Indian Tribal Governments and Federal Land Management Agencies.

A MOTION was made (Ramirez) to APPROVE the Policy for Consultation with Federally Recognized Indian Tribal Governments and Federal Land Management Agencies. The MOTION was SECONDED (Finlay) and APPROVED by a majority vote. A roll-call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

**AYES:** Clark, Finlay, Hagman, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, Mitchell, Mulvihill, Ramirez, Viegas-Walker, Wagner, Wapner (12).

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

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**INFORMATION ITEMS**

8. **Federal Update**

Kevin Gilhooley, Legislation Manager, provided the Committee with an update of news coming out of Washington D.C. Mr. Gilhooley focused his remarks on the swearing in of the 116th United States Congress, as well as the partial federal government shutdown.

9. **Bills of Interest**

Melvin Sanchez, Legislative Aide, provided a quick summary of two assembly bills (AB) and one senate bill (SB) introduced in Sacramento. The bills included AB 11 (Chiu), AB 148 (Quirk-Silva), and Senate Bill 50 (Wiener). Mr. Sanchez noted that SCAG staff had recently met with staff from Assembly Member Quirk-Silva’s office to discuss AB 148 and gather more information. Committee members inquired about certain definitions used in AB 148. Additionally, Committee members requested that SCAG staff track SB 5 (Beall).

10. **Communications Update**

Margaret de Larios, Public Affairs Specialist, provided the Committee with an overview of social media channels employed by SCAG.

11. **Protocol for New Member Orientations**

Javiera Cartagena, Manager of Regional Services, provided the Committee with a proposed framework for onboarding new Regional Council (RC) and Policy Committee (PC) members. Ms. Cartagena noted that SCAG planned on hosting a new member orientation on January 29, 2019 in order to ensure that incoming members were briefed on roles and responsibilities. The goal of the framework and orientation day is to provide new and prospective RC and PC members with...
the tools needed to contribute fully, and as early in their tenure as possible, to the governing work of the board.

Hon. Viegas-Walker stated that it would be helpful for new RC and PC members to have a guide on navigating SCAG’s website.

12. Sacramento Legislative Advocacy Trip Overview
   Art Yoon, Director of Policy and Public Affairs, provided an overview of the upcoming Sacramento Legislative Advocacy Trip, scheduled for February 12-13, 2019. Questions from the Committee centered on logistics and dates for the trip.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
There were no future agenda items presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
There were no announcements presented.

ADJOURNMENT
Chair Lorimore adjourned the meeting at 9:16 a.m. in memory of Manuel Urias Arellanes, an uncle of Sr. Administrative Assistant of Policy and Public Affairs Perla Lopez. The next regular meeting of the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at SCAG’s offices at 900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

REVIEWED BY:

Art Yoon, Director of Policy and Public Affairs
To: Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC)
From: Melvin Sanchez; Legislative Aide; (213) 236-1850; sanchez@scag.ca.gov
Subject: Legislative Tracking Report

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Receive and File

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
The Legislative Tracking Report is provided to keep the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC) apprised of any developments related to bills in Sacramento that have a nexus to the Regional Council’s positions on policies and legislative initiatives related to SCAG’s core planning and policy areas. Staff will update the report constantly with emerging legislation and welcomes the Committee’s input on bills it would like to follow.

STRATEGIC PLAN:
This item supports SCAG’s Strategic Plan, Goal 2: Advance Southern California’s policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

BACKGROUND:
SCAG’s Legislative Tracking Report serves as a resource for the Committee to remain up-to-date on bills moving through the legislative process in Sacramento. Bills included in the tracking report have a nexus to the Regional Council’s positions on policies and legislative initiatives related to SCAG’s core planning and policy areas. Staff welcomes the Committee’s input on bills it would like to follow throughout the legislative session.

FISCAL IMPACT:
None

ATTACHMENT:
1) Legislative Tracking Report
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AB 10

(Chiu D) Income taxes: credits low-income housing: farmworker housing.

Introduced: 12/3/2018
Status: 1/17/2019-Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and REV. & TAX.
Location: 1/17/2019-A. H. & C.D.

Summary:
Would, under the law governing the taxation of insurers, the Personal Income Tax Law, and the Corporation Tax Law, for calendar years beginning in 2020, increase the aggregate housing credit dollar amount that may be allocated among low-income housing projects by an additional $500,000,000, as specified, and would allocate to farmworker housing projects $25,000,000 per year of that amount. The bill, under those laws, would modify the definition of applicable percentage relating to qualified low-income buildings to depend on whether the building is a new or existing building and federally subsidized, or a building that is, among other things, at least 15 years old, serving households of very low income or extremely low income, and will complete substantial rehabilitation, as specified.

History:
2018
Dec. 3 Read first time. To print.
Dec. 4 From printer. May be heard in committee January 3.
2019
Jan. 17 Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and REV. & TAX.

Organization: SCAG
Position: Tracking

AB 11


Introduced: 12/3/2018
Status: 1/17/2019-Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and L. GOV.
Location: 1/17/2019-A. H. & C.D.

Summary:
Current law dissolved redevelopment agencies as of February 1, 2012, and designates successor agencies to act as successor entities to the dissolved redevelopment agencies. This bill, the Community Redevelopment Law of 2019, would authorize a city or county, or two or more cities acting jointly, to propose the formation of an affordable housing and infrastructure agency by adoption of a resolution of intention that meets specified requirements, including that the resolution of intention include a passthrough provision and an override passthrough provision, as defined.

History:
2018
Dec. 3 Read first time. To print.
Dec. 4 From printer. May be heard in committee January 3.
2019
Jan. 17 Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and L. GOV.

Organization: SCAG
Position: Tracking

AB 148

(Quirk-Silva D) Regional transportation plans: sustainable communities strategies.

Introduced: 12/14/2018
Status: 1/24/2019-Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and NAT. RES.
Location: 1/24/2019-A. TRANS.

Summary:
Current law requires certain transportation planning agencies to prepare and adopt a regional transportation plan directed at achieving a coordinated and balanced regional transportation system. Current law requires the regional transportation plan to include, if the transportation planning agency is also a metropolitan planning organization, a sustainable communities strategy. This bill would require
each sustainable communities strategy to identify areas within the region sufficient to house an 8-year projection of the emergency shelter needs for the region, as specified.

**History:**

**2018**
Dec. 14 Introduced. To print.
Dec. 15 From printer. May be heard in committee January 14.

**2019**
Jan. 7 Read first time.
Jan. 24 Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and NAT. RES.

**Organization:** SCAG
**Position:** Tracking

**AB 185** *(Grayson D)* California Transportation Commission: transportation policies: joint meetings.
**Introduced:** 1/10/2019
**Status:** 2/4/2019-Referred to Com. on TRANS.
**Location:** 2/4/2019-A. TRANS.

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**Summary:**
Current law creates the California Transportation Commission, with various powers and duties relative to the programming of transportation capital projects and allocation of funds to those projects pursuant to the state transportation improvement program and various other transportation funding programs. Existing law requires the commission and the State Air Resources Board to hold at least 2 joint meetings per calendar year to coordinate their implementation of transportation policies. This bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to participate in those joint meetings.

**History:**

**2019**
Jan. 10 Read first time. To print.
Jan. 11 From printer. May be heard in committee February 10.
Feb. 4 Referred to Com. on TRANS.

**Organization:** SCAG
**Position:** Tracking

**Introduced:** 2/4/2019
**Status:** 2/11/2019-Referred to Com. on NAT. RES.
**Location:** 2/11/2019-A. NAT. RES.

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**Summary:**
Would, beginning July 1, 2020, require state agencies administering competitive grant programs that allocate moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to give specified communities preferential points during grant application scoring for programs intended to improve air quality, to include a specified application timeline, to allow applicants from the Counties of Imperial and San Diego to include daytime population numbers in grant applications, and to require grant eligibility and scoring criteria to define disadvantaged community consistent with specified allocation requirements of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund so as not to preclude low-income communities, as defined, from applying for or being awarded a grant.

**History:**

**2019**
Feb. 4 Read first time. To print.
Feb. 5 From printer. May be heard in committee March 7.
Feb. 11 Referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

**Organization:** SCAG
**Position:** Tracking

**SB 5** *(Beall D)* Local-State Sustainable Investment Incentive Program.
**Introduced:** 12/3/2018
**Status:** 1/24/2019-Referred to Coms. on GOV. & F. and HOUSING.
### Summary:
Would establish in state government the Local-State Sustainable Investment Incentive Program, which would be administered by the Sustainable Investment Incentive Committee. The bill would authorize a city, county, city and county, joint powers agency, enhanced infrastructure financing district, affordable housing authority, community revitalization and investment authority or transit village development district to apply to the Sustainable Investment Incentive Committee to participate in the program and would authorize the committee to approve or deny applications for projects meeting specific criteria.

### History:
- **2018**
  Dec. 3 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
  Dec. 4 From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 3.
- **2019**
  Jan. 24 Referred to Coms. on GOV. & F. and HOUSING.

### Organization: SCAG
### Position: Tracking

#### SB 6 (Beall D) Housing production.
- **Introduced:** 12/3/2018
- **Status:** 1/16/2019-Referred to Com. on RLS.
- **Location:** 12/3/2018-S. RLS.

### Summary:
Under current law, various agencies administer programs to preserve and expand safe and affordable housing opportunities and promote sound community growth throughout the state. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would help encourage housing production throughout the state, including streamlining approval processes, identifying sufficient and adequate sites for housing construction, and penalizing local planning that restricts housing production.

### History:
- **2018**
  Dec. 3 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
  Dec. 4 From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 3.
- **2019**
  Jan. 16 Referred to Com. on RLS.

### Organization: SCAG
### Position: Tracking

#### SB 13 (Wieckowski D) Accessory dwelling units.
- **Introduced:** 12/3/2018
- **Status:** 1/16/2019-Referred to Com. on RLS.
- **Location:** 12/3/2018-S. RLS.

### Summary:
Would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would reduce impact fees and other existing barriers for homeowners seeking to create accessory dwelling units for the purpose of creating additional residential housing within their neighborhoods.

### History:
- **2018**
  Dec. 3 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
  Dec. 4 From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 3.
- **2019**
  Jan. 16 Referred to Com. on RLS.

### Organization: SCAG
### Position: Tracking

#### SB 50 (Wiener D) Planning and zoning: housing development: equitable communities incentive.
- **Introduced:** 12/3/2018
Summary:
Would require a city, county, or city and county to grant upon request an equitable communities incentive when a development proponent seeks and agrees to construct a residential development, as defined, that satisfies specified criteria, including, among other things, that the residential development is either a job-rich housing project or a transit-rich housing project, as those terms are defined; the site does not contain, or has not contained, housing occupied by tenants or accommodations withdrawn from rent or lease in accordance with specified law within specified time periods; and the residential development complies with specified additional requirements under existing law.

History:
2018
Dec. 3 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
Dec. 4 From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 3.
2019
Jan. 24 Referred to Coms. on HOUSING and GOV. & F.

Organizations:
SCAG

Position: Tracking

**SB 127** (Wiener D) Transportation funding: active transportation: complete streets.

Introduced: 1/10/2019

Status: 1/24/2019-Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Location: 1/24/2019-S. TRANS.

Summary:
Would establish a Division of Active Transportation within the Department of Transportation and require that an undersecretary of the Transportation Agency be assigned to give attention to active transportation program matters to guide progress toward meeting the department’s active transportation program goals and objectives. The bill would require the California Transportation Commission to give high priority to increasing safety for pedestrians and bicyclists and to the implementation of bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

History:
2019
Jan. 10 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
Jan. 11 From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 10.
Jan. 24 Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

**SB 128** (Beall D) Enhanced infrastructure financing districts: bonds: issuance.

Introduced: 1/10/2019

Status: 1/24/2019-Referred to Com. on GOV. & F.

Location: 1/24/2019-S. GOV. & F.

Summary:
Current law authorizes the legislative body of a city or a county to establish an enhanced infrastructure financing district, with a governing body referred to as a public financing authority, to finance public capital facilities or other specified projects of communitywide significance. Current law authorizes the public financing authority to issue bonds for these purposes upon approval by 55% of the voters voting on a proposal to issue the bonds. Current law requires the proposal submitted to the voters by the public financing authority and the resolution for the issuance of bonds following approval by the voters to include specified information regarding the bond issuance. This bill would instead authorize the public financing authority to issue bonds for these purposes without submitting a proposal to the voters.

History:
2019
Jan. 10 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
Jan. 11 From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 10.
Organization: SCAG
Position: Tracking

**SB 160**  (Jackson D)  Emergency services: cultural competence.
Introduced: 1/24/2019
Status: 2/6/2019-Referred to Com. on G.O.
Location: 2/6/2019-S. G.O.

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Summary:
Current law defines the terms “political subdivision” and “emergency plans” for purposes of emergency services provided by local governments. Current law requires a county, upon the next update to its emergency plan, to integrate access and functional needs into its emergency plan, as specified. This bill would require a county to integrate cultural competence, as defined, into its emergency plan, upon the next update to its emergency plan, as specified. By increasing the duties of local officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

History:
2019
Jan. 24 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
Jan. 25 From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 24.
Feb. 6 Referred to Com. on G.O.

Organization: SCAG
Position: Tracking

**SB 168**  (Wieckowski D)  Climate change: Chief Officer of Climate Adaptation and Resilience.
Introduced: 1/28/2019
Location: 2/6/2019-S. E.Q.

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Calendar:
3/20/2019  9:30 a.m. - Room 3191  SENATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, ALLEN, Chair

Summary:
Would establish the Chief Officer of Climate Adaptation and Resilience in the Office of Planning and Research to serve as the statewide lead for planning and coordination of climate adaptation policy and implementation in California, and would specify the duties of the chief officer. The bill would make the chief officer, or the chief officer’s designee, a member of the advisory council and would designate the chief officer, or the chief officer’s designee, as the chair of the advisory council. The bill would include additional expertise members of the advisory council are to have. The bill would specify that members of the advisory council serve staggered 4-year terms, except as provided.

History:
2019
Jan. 28 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
Jan. 29 From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 28.
Feb. 6 Referred to Coms. on EQ. and N.R. & W.
Feb. 12 Set for hearing March 20.

Organization: SCAG
Position: Tracking

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To: Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC)
From: Estee Sepulveda; Legislative Analyst; (213) 236-1864; Sepulveda@scag.ca.gov
Subject: SB 168 (Wieckowski) – Climate change: Chief Officer of Climate Adaptation and Resilience.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
Support and Amend

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:
In 2015, the Integrated Climate Adaptation and Resilience Program (ICARP) was established at the Office of Planning and Research (OPR). Senate Bill (SB) 168 would establish the Chief Officer of Climate Adaptation and Resilience to be appointed by the Governor and serve as the statewide lead for planning and coordination of climate adaptation policy and implementation. This bill would also designate the chief officer as the chair of the advisory council and expand the eligible range of disciplines for members of the advisory council. Staff recommends that the Legislative/Communications & Membership Committee (LCMC) forward a “support and amend” position recommendation to the Regional Council on SB 168.

STRATEGIC PLAN:
This item supports SCAG’s Strategic Plan, Goal 2: Advance Southern California’s policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

BACKGROUND:
In 2015, Senator Wieckowski authored SB 246, which was signed into law and directed OPR to form the ICARP. The program is designed to develop a coordinated response to the impacts of climate change across state, local, and regional levels. One main component is the State Climate Adaptation Clearinghouse, which serves as a centralized source of information and resources to assist decision-makers at the state, tribal, regional, and local levels when planning for and implementing climate adaptation and resiliency efforts across California.

Additionally, SB 246 established an advisory council comprised of members from a range of disciplines, in order to provide scientific and technical support, and from regional and local governments and entities. The advisory council supports OPR’s goals to facilitate coordination among state, regional, and local agency efforts to adapt to the impacts of climate change by developing tools and guidance, coordinating state agency support for local and regional efforts, and informing state-led programs to better reflect the efforts and challenges faced by local and regional entities pursuing adaptation, preparedness and resilience. As a result of SB 246, the work being done at OPR contributes to the state’s climate adaptation efforts by building a permanent structure for state, local, and regional stakeholder participation and growing the resources for adaptation and resiliency action.
SB 168
Introduced by Senator Bob Wieckowski (D- Fremont) on January 28, 2019, SB 168 would establish the Chief Officer of Climate Adaptation and Resilience at OPR and make the chief officer the chair of the advisory council. Additionally, this bill expands the eligible range of disciplines for members of the advisory council (noted in blue).

(b) Members of the advisory council shall have expertise in the intersection of climate change or climate science and areas that include, but need not be limited to, any of the following:

1. Public health.
2. Environmental quality.
3. Environmental justice.
4. Agriculture.
5. Transportation and housing.
7. Natural resources and water.
8. Planning.
9. Recycling and waste management.
10. Local or regional government.
11. Tribal issues.
12. Emergency services and public safety.
13. Procurement.

SB 168 was referred to the Senate committees on Environmental Quality and Natural Resources and Water on February 6, 2019. It is currently scheduled to be heard in the Senate Committee on Environmental Quality on March 20, 2019.

Support
- None

Opposition
- None

Staff Recommendation
Staff recommends a support and amend position for SB 168 consistent with Regional Council-adopted policy and legislative priorities to support programs that provide the resources necessary for communities to prepare for the consequences of a changing climate and resulting natural disasters. In addition, the current composition of the advisory council includes a local or regional government representative. Staff recommends that SB 168 be amended to separate regional from local governments and that the category specify that a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) should represent the regional level.

FISCAL IMPACT:
None
ATTACHMENT(S):
None
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To: Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC)  
From: Estee Sepulveda; Legislative Analyst; (213) 236-1864; Sepulveda@scag.ca.gov  
Subject: AB 185 (Grayson, Cervantes) – California Transportation Commission: Transportation Policies: Joint Meetings

RECOMMENDED ACTION:  
Support

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:  
As of 2018, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) and the California Air Resources Board (ARB) hold joint meetings at least twice annually to coordinate the implementation of transportation policies. AB 185 would require the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to participate in those joint meetings. Staff recommends that the Legislative/Communications & Membership Committee (LCMC) forward a “support” position recommendation to the Regional Council on AB 185.

STRATEGIC PLAN:  
This item supports SCAG’s Strategic Plan, Goal 2: Advance Southern California’s policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

BACKGROUND:  
In 2017, former Governor Brown signed AB 179 (Cervantes) into law requiring the CTC and ARB meet at least twice annually to coordinate implementation of transportation policies, including interagency efforts like implementation of the California Sustainable Freight Action Plan, development of the California Transportation Plan, and the setting of greenhouse gas emission reduction targets for automobile and light truck sectors in 2020 and 2035, respectively.

During the inaugural meeting, in June 2018, it became evident from Commissioners, Board Members, and the public that key state agencies and policy areas were missing from the discussion. Stakeholders commented that the joint meetings could address issues related to land use, transportation, and access to housing. In particular, discussion could address how the lack of housing supply and rising housing costs have a significant impact on housing development growth patterns and the demands placed on transportation systems.

AB 185  
Introduced by Assemblymembers Timothy Grayson (D-Concord) and Sabrina Cervantes (D-Corona) on January 10, 2019, AB 185 would require that the HCD participate in joint meetings with the CTC and CARB.
AB 185 was referred to the Assembly Committee on Transportation on February 4, 2019. It is unclear when this bill will be heard in committee.

Support
- California Transportation Commission

Opposition
- None

Staff Recommendation
Staff recommends a support position for AB 185 consistent with Regional Council-adopted policy and legislative priorities to advocate for efforts that promote the consistency within state law of the sometimes competing demands contained within SB 375 and state mandated regional housing programs.

Given the interrelated nature of land use patterns and transportation systems, facility siting and permitting, and other policy areas that require input from the Department of Housing and Community Development, there is a clear connection between housing and transportation. Staff recommends support for AB 185 to provide a more comprehensive, balanced, and informed discussion on the issues of land use, transportation, and air quality at these Joint Meetings.

FISCAL IMPACT:
None

ATTACHMENT(S):
1. Letter of support from the California Transportation Commission.
January 30, 2019

The Honorable Timothy Grayson
Member of the Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4164
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Support for Assembly Bill 185

Dear Assembly Member Grayson:

As part of its statutory charge, the California Transportation Commission (Commission) advises the Administration and the Legislature on state transportation policies and makes recommendations for legislation to improve the transportation system.

The Commission adopted a position to support Assembly Bill (AB) 185 at its meeting on January 30, 2019. This bill requires the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) to participate in joint meetings held by the Commission and the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to coordinate their implementation of transportation policies. These joint meetings are required under Chapter 737 of 2017 (AB 179, Cervantes).

At the inaugural joint meeting between the Commission and CARB held in June 2018, it was evident from Commissioner, Board Member, and public comment that key state agencies and policy areas were missing from the discussion. Given the connection between transportation and housing, DHCD’s participation in these joint meetings is critical for transportation policy discussions on issues such as land use decisions, growth patterns, and facility siting and permitting. For this reason, the Commission, in its 2018 Annual Report to the Legislature, recommended legislation to include DHCD in the joint meetings.
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In its 2018 Annual Report, the Commission also recommended including the California Energy Commission (CEC) in the joint meetings, given CEC’s role in promoting advanced transportation technologies to achieve state environmental goals. For example, CEC currently is leading an effort to complete a statewide network of electric vehicle charging stations along key interregional highway corridors. Because CEC administers this and other transportation-related programs, the Commission respectfully requests that you consider amending AB 185 to require CEC to participate in the joint meetings as well.

The Commission commends your leadership on further coordinating the implementation of transportation policy across key state agencies. Commissioners and staff are available to provide information that may assist you in moving this legislation forward. If we can be of assistance, please contact the Commission’s Executive Director, Ms. Susan Bransen, at 916-654-4245.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
FRAN INMAN  
Chair

cc: Commissioners, California Transportation Commission  
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The Honorable Sabrina Cervantes, Assembly Member  
Brian Annis, California State Transportation Agency, Secretary