



Three Valleys Municipal Water Department

Legislative Status Report

CYE 2016

SUPPORT

[AB 2488](#) [Dababneh](#) D *Protected species: unarmored threespine stickleback: taking or possession.*

Position: *Support*

Status: *9/16/2016-Signed by the Governor*

*Existing law prohibits the taking or possession of a fully protected fish, except as provided, and designates the unarmored threespine stickleback as a fully protected fish. The California Endangered Species Act prohibits the taking of an endangered or threatened species, except as specified. The Department of Fish and Wildlife may authorize the take of listed species if the take is incidental to an otherwise lawful activity and the impacts are minimized and fully mitigated. This bill would permit the department to authorize, under the California Endangered Species Act, the take of the unarmored threespine stickleback (*Gasterosteus aculeatus williamsoni*) attributable to the periodic dewatering, inspection, maintenance, or repair of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's Foothill Feeder water supply facility from Castaic Dam to the Joseph Jensen Treatment Plant in the County of Los Angeles, as specified, if certain conditions are satisfied.*

[ACA 8](#) [Bloom](#) D *Local government financing: water facilities and infrastructure: voter approval.*

Position: *Support*

Status: *8/31/2016-Failed Deadline*

The California Constitution prohibits the ad valorem tax rate on real property from exceeding 1% of the full cash value of the property, subject to certain exceptions. This measure would create an additional exception to the 1% limit for a rate imposed by a city, county, city and county, or special district to service bonded indebtedness incurred to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of wastewater treatment facilities and related infrastructure, potable water producing facilities and related infrastructure, nonpotable water producing facilities and related infrastructure, and stormwater treatment facilities and related infrastructure, that is approved by 55% of the voters of the city, county, city and county, or special district, as applicable, if the proposition meets specified requirements, and would authorize a city, county, city and county, or special district to levy a 55% vote ad valorem tax. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

OPPOSE

[AB 1713](#) [Eggman](#) D *Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: peripheral canal.*

Position: *Oppose*

Status: *5/27/2016-Failed Deadline*

Existing law requires various state agencies to administer programs relating to water supply, water quality, and flood management in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The bill would prohibit the construction of a peripheral canal, as defined, unless expressly authorized by an initiative voted on by the voters of California on or after January 1, 2017, and would require the Legislative Analyst's Office to complete a prescribed economic feasibility analysis prior to a vote authorizing the construction of a peripheral canal.

[AB 2583](#) [Frazier](#) D *Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009*

Position: *Oppose*

Status: *4/22/2016-Failed Deadline*

Existing law, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009, establishes the Delta Stewardship Council and requires the council to develop, adopt, and commence implementation of a comprehensive management plan for the Delta, known as the Delta Plan. The Delta Plan is required to further the coequal goals of providing a more reliable water supply and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem. The act requires the council to consider the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) for inclusion in the Delta Plan and requires the incorporation of the BDCP into the Delta Plan if the BDCP meets certain requirements. This bill would add a definition of the California Water Fix to the act. This bill would eliminate certain provisions applicable to the BDCP and would revise other provisions to instead refer to a new Delta water conveyance project for the purpose of exporting water. This bill would require new Delta water conveyance infrastructure to be considered as interdependent parts of a system and to be operated in a way that maximizes benefits for each of the coequal goals.

