

State Coastal Conservancy October 2012 Legislative Report

[AB 1656](#) **(Fong D) San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority.**

Status: 9/25/2012-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 535, Statutes of 2012.

Location: 9/25/2012-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: The San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority Act establishes the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority to raise and allocate resources for the restoration, enhancement, protection, and enjoyment of wetlands and wildlife habitat in the San Francisco Bay and along its shoreline. Existing law repeals the act on January 1, 2029. This bill would revise that definition of the East Bay, for purposes of that appointment, to provide that it consists of the whole Contra Costa County, as well as that specified portion of Alameda County, excluding the Delta primary zone, as defined. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[SB 1066](#) **(Lieu D) Coastal resources: climate change.**

Status: 9/27/2012-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 611, Statutes of 2012

Location: 9/27/2012-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Existing law establishes the State Coastal Conservancy, which serves as a repository for coastal lands. Existing law authorizes the conservancy to, among other things, undertake projects and award grants for the purposes of restoration of areas of the coastal zone that are adversely affecting the coastal environment or are impeding orderly development. This bill would authorize the conservancy to address the impacts and potential impacts of climate change on resources within its jurisdiction, giving priority to projects that maximize public benefits.

[SB 1094](#) **(Kehoe D) Land use: mitigation lands: nonprofit organizations.**

Status: 9/28/2012-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 705, Statutes of 2012

Location: 9/28/2012-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: The Planning and Zoning Law provides that if a state or local agency requires a person to transfer to that agency an interest in real property to mitigate the environmental impact of a project or facility, that agency may authorize specified entities to hold title to, and manage that interest in, real property, as well as any accompanying funds, provided those entities meet specified requirements. Existing law requires that if accompanying funds, as defined, are conveyed at the time the property is protected, then the holder of those accompanying funds must meet specified requirements. Existing law requires a state or local agency to exercise due diligence in reviewing the qualifications of a special district or nonprofit organization to effectively manage and steward land, water, or natural resources, as well as the accompanying funds. This bill would use the term "endowment" instead of "accompanying funds." This bill would authorize an agency, in connection with the provisions described above, to also permit a governmental entity, as defined, to hold title to, and manage that interest in, real property, as well as any endowment. This bill would remove the requirement that a state or local agency exercise due diligence in reviewing the qualifications of a special district or nonprofit organization to effectively manage the endowment. This bill would also modify the requirements that the holder of an endowment must meet, and would provide that those requirements also apply to endowments that are secured at the time the property is protected. This bill would state that specified provisions of this bill relating to the requirements on a holder of an endowment do not apply to funds held for the long-term management and stewardship of property pursuant to specified acts if certain requirements are met. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[SB 1266](#) **(Corbett D) Resource conservation lands: appraisal process.**

Status: 9/19/2012-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 394, Statutes of 2012

Location: 9/19/2012-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Existing law authorizes various state agencies to acquire land for purposes related to conservation, and requires an acquisition agency, as defined, prior to any action by the acquisition agency to approve a major acquisition of conservation lands, to contract for at least one independent appraisal of the fair market value of the land. A "major acquisition" is defined as an acquisition for which an agency proposes to spend more than \$25,000,000 of state funds. This bill would redefine major acquisition as an acquisition for which one or more agencies propose to spend more than \$15,000,000 of state funds. The bill would revise the provisions requiring an appraisal to instead require that, if more than \$150,000 of state funds are proposed for expenditure or grant by an acquisition agency of any conservation lands, the acquisition agency or the project partner, as defined, shall contract for an independent appraisal, as provided. The bill would require that the appraisal, appraiser, and contract meet specified requirements. The bill would also allow the project partner or landowner to contribute to the costs of the appraisal, be identified as a user of the appraisal, and be named as the coclient of the appraiser or firm preparing the appraisal except, on and after January 1, 2015, the bill would prohibit the landowner from being named as a coclient of the appraiser or firm preparing the appraisal. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[SCR 84](#)

(Kehoe D) California Coastal Protection Week.

Status: 8/24/2012-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter No. 92, Statutes of 2012

Location: 8/24/2012-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: This measure would designate the week of September 8 through September 15, 2012, and the 2nd week of September every year thereafter as California Coastal Protection Week and would urge all Californians to observe that week as California Coastal Protection Week.

[SJR 17](#)

(Corbett D) Coastal resources: San Francisco Bay.

Status: 8/16/2012-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter No. 76, Statutes of 2012

Location: 8/16/2012-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: This measure would declare the Legislature's endorsement of S. 97 and H.R. 3034, and would urge the United States Congress to enact the San Francisco Bay Restoration Act at the earliest possible time.

Total Measures: 6

Total Tracking Forms: 6