

**To:** Chair Miadich, Commissioners Baker, Cardenas, Hatch, and Wilson

From: Lindsey Nakano, Legislative Counsel

**Subject:** Legislative Update – January 2021

**Date:** January 15, 2021

## **General Update**

Staff is continuing to research and develop draft language for the legislative proposal ideas previously approved by the Commission, and to reach out to potential authors and interested parties.

The Legislature reconvened on January 11, 2021, postponed from the original date of January 4, 2021, due to the high number of COVID-19 cases in the state. The <u>2021 Tentative Legislative Calendar</u> has been set, which is attached for your reference.

For more information, please visit the **Commission's Pending Legislation** page.

## **Committee Appointments**

# Senate Committee on Elections and Constitutional Amendments

- Sen. Steven M. Glazer (Contra Costa), Chair
- Sen. Jim Nielsen (Tehama), Vice Chair
- Sen. Robert M. Hertzberg (Los Angeles)
- Sen. Connie M. Leyva (Chino)
- Sen. Josh Newman (Fullerton)

# Senate Budget Subcommittee No. 4 on State Administration and General Government

- Sen. Anna M. Caballero (Salinas), Chair
- <u>Sen. Jim Nielsen</u> (Tehama)
- \*Vacancy

## **Assembly Committee on Elections**

- Asm. Marc Berman (Menlo Park), Chair
- Asm. Kelly Seyarto (Murrieta), Vice Chair
- Asm. Steve Bennett (Santa Barbara)
- Asm. Evan Low (Cupertino)
- Asm. Chad Mayes (Rancho Mirage)
- Asm. Kevin Mullin (San Mateo)
- Asm. Shirley Weber (San Diego)

## Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 4 on State Administration

- Asm. Wendy Carrillo (Los Angeles), Chair
- Asm. David Chiu (San Francisco)
- Asm. Jim Cooper (Elk Grove)
- Asm. Tom Lackey (Palmdale)
- Asm. Adrin Nazarian (Van Nuys)
- Asm. Phil Ting (San Francisco), Democratic Alternate
- Asm. Vince Fong (Bakersfield), Republican Alternate

## **Commission-Related Bills**

# AB 20 (Lee and Kalra) – Campaign contributions and public financing of elections.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Committee on Elections

## Summary:

AB 20, titled the "Clean Money Act of 2021," would prohibit a candidate for elective office from receiving a contribution from a business entity, and would prohibit a business entity from making a contribution to a candidate for elective office. The bill would additionally state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to create a public financing system for elections in the state.

## AB 40 (Lorena Gonzalez) – Slate mailer disclosures.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Committee on Elections

#### Summary:

AB 40 would require slate mailers to include additional disclosures, including the number of members who make up the slate mailer organization or committee and the total amount paid by each candidate and ballot measure to appear on the slate mailer. The bill would additionally delete a requirement relating to the maximum font size of an asterisk required when a candidate or ballot measure has paid to appear on the slate mailer.

## **AB 227** (Davies) – Contribution prohibitions.

Status: Introduced, pending referral

#### Summary:

AB 227 would prohibit a Governor's appointee, a person residing in the appointee's household, or another person at the request or demand of the appointee or a person residing in their household, during the term of the appointment and for one year after the term expires, from making a monetary contribution to the Governor's campaign, or to a committee organized to benefit the Governor's campaign. The bill would additionally require a prospective Governor's appointee, if they or a member of their household made a contribution to the Governor's campaign or committee within one year prior to the appointment, to, upon notice of the intended appointment, immediately disclose the contribution, and would prohibit the appointment unless the Governor or the committee refunds the contribution.

# AB 236 (Berman) – Campaign contributions: limited liability companies.

Status: Introduced, pending referral

## Summary:

AB 236 would require a committee to include within its campaign statement the name of each individual who owns or controls, or controls the contributions or expenditures of, a limited liability company or foreign limited liability company from which the committee received a campaign contribution. The bill would additionally make a limited liability company a multipurpose organization for these purposes, subject to specified registration and campaign reporting requirements, including the disclosure of information relating to the organization's donors.

# **SB** 78 (Nielsen) – Slate mailer disclosures.

Status: Introduced; pending referral

## **Summary**:

SB 78 would require slate mailers to include additional disclosures, including the number of members who make up the slate mailer organization or committee and the total amount paid by each candidate and ballot measure to appear on the slate mailer. The bill would additionally delete a requirement relating to the maximum font size of an asterisk required when a candidate or ballot measure has paid to appear on the slate mailer.

## **SB** 79 (Nielsen) – Political Reform Act (spot bill).

Status: Introduced; pending referral

#### Summary:

SB 79 would make nonsubstantive changes to a provision of the Political Reform Act.

## 2021 TENTATIVE LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

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#### **DEADLINES**

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<sup>\*</sup> Holiday schedule subject to final approval by Rules Committee

<u>Jan. 1</u>	Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).

<u>Jan. 10</u> Budget must be submitted by Governor (Art. IV, Sec. 12 (a)).

Jan. 11 Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51(a)(1)).

Jan. 18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Jan. 22 Last day to submit bill requests to the Office of Legislative Counsel.

Feb. 15 Presidents' Day

**Feb. 19** Last day for bills to be **introduced** (J.R. 61(a)(1)), (J.R. 54(a)).

Mar. 25 Spring Recess begins upon adjournment of this day's session (J.R. 51(a)(2)).

Mar. 31 Cesar Chavez Day.

<u>Apr. 5</u> Legislature reconvenes from **Spring Recess** (J.R. 51(a)(2)).

Apr. 30 Last day for policy committees to hear and report to Fiscal Committees **fiscal bills** introduced in their house (J.R. 61(a)(2)).

Last day for policy committees to hear and report to the Floor non-fiscal May 7 bills introduced in their house (J.R. 61(a)(3)).

May 14 Last day for policy committees to meet prior to June 7 (J.R. 61(a)(4)).

Last day for fiscal committees to hear and report to the Floor May 21 bills introduced in their house (J.R. 61 (a)(5)). Last day for fiscal committees to meet prior to June 7 (J.R. 61 (a)(6)).

May 31 Memorial Day.

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June 1-4 Floor Session Only. No committee, other than Conference or	June 1-
Rules, may meet for any purpose (J.R. 61(a)(7)).	

June 4	Last day for bills to be	passed out of the house of	f <b>origin</b> (J.R. 61(a)(8)).

<u>June 7</u> Committee meetings may resume (J.R. 61(a)(9)).

June 15 Budget bill must be passed by midnight (Art. IV, Sec. 12 (c)(3)).

July 2 Independence Day observed.

**July 14** Last day for **policy committees** to meet and report bills (J.R. 61(a)(10)).

**July 16** Summer Recess begins upon adjournment of this day's session, provided Budget Bill has been passed (J.R. 51(a)(3)).

Aug. 16 Legislature reconvenes from Summer Recess (J.R. 51(a)(3)).

Last day for **fiscal committees** to meet and report bills to the Floor Aug. 27 (J.R. 61(a)(11)).

Aug. 30-Sept. 10 Floor Session only. No committees, other than conference committees and Rules Committee, may meet for any purpose (J.R.

Last day to **amend** bills on the Floor (J.R. 61(a)(13)). Sept. 3

**Sept. 6** Labor Day.

**Sept. 10** Last day for **each house to pass bills** (J.R. 61(a)(14)). **Interim Study Recess** begins at end of this day's session (J.R. 51(a)(4)).

# IMPORTANT DATES OCCURRING DURING INTERIM STUDY RECESS

# 2021

Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature on or before Sept. 10 Oct. 10 and in the Governor's possession after Sept. 10 (Art. IV, Sec. 10(b)(1)).

Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).

Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51 (a)(4)). <u>Jan.</u> 3

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