



# ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION - 2005

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Administrative bills enacted in 2005 that are of general interest to the Board or have a general statewide impact on all state agencies and/or employees are summarized below. Unless otherwise noted, the new legislation is effective January 1, 2006.

*Each bill title is linked to the bill text in Adobe Acrobat pdf format.*

**[AB 124 \(Dymally\) Chapter 644 – Civil Service: Equal Opportunity Programs](#)**

Requires each state agency to establish an equal opportunity program to ensure that the state policy of providing equal access to state jobs, work assignments, training, and other employment-related opportunities for all qualified job applicants and employees, based on merit and nondiscrimination in every aspect of personnel policies and employment practices, is fully implemented. Requires the Personnel Board to collect specified employment data on race, ethnicity, gender and disability in this regard.

**[AB 587 \(Negrete McLeod\) Chapter 527 – Public Employees: Health Benefits](#)**

Relates to the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act. Prohibits employees, annuitants and family members enrolled in a prescription drug plan under Part D of Medicare from enrolling in a board-approved health benefit plan, unless enrolled in an approved Medicare Advantage plan.

**[AB 747 \(Blakeslee\) Chapter 528 – State Excluded Employees: Catastrophic Leave](#)**

Permits an excluded employee, for catastrophic leave purposes, to be the recipient of annual leave, vacation, compensating time off, and holiday leave credits donated by a represented employee.

**[AB 780 \(Chu\) Chapter 188 – Public Meetings: Franchise Tax Board](#)**

Specifies that writings that are public records and are distributed to members of the state body prior to or during a public meeting, pertaining to any item to be considered during the meeting that require a final action on any item of the Franchise Tax Board, must be not only distributed, but also prepared by the Franchise Tax Board staff or individual members of that board.

**AB 1166 (Canciamilla) Chapter 328 – Public Employee Benefits**

Relates to retirement system membership for new employees. Exempts state prosecutors and state public defenders from provisions relating to disability retirement and special death benefits. Relates to the return of service by a retired member.

**AB 1595 (Evans) Chapter 343 – Public Officials: Personal Information**

Prohibits a person, business, or association from publicly posting or displaying on the Internet the home address or telephone number of any elected or appointed official if the official has made a written demand not to disclose his or her home address and telephone number or from soliciting, selling, or trading the home address or telephone number of an elected or appointed official.

**AB 1755 (Elections & Redistricting Committee) Chapter 200 – Political Reform Act of 1974**

Relates to the Political Act of 1974. Repeals specified provisions of the act that address reporting requirements relating to the former March primary date. Clarifies that alternative contribution reports are not required for a candidate or committee that has disclosed the expenditures and contributions online. Relates the requirement for reporting of investments, real property interests and income by specified public officers. Provides that city treasurer candidates must file certain statements.

**SB 796 (Figueroa) Chapter 686 – State Government Operations Accountability**

Enacts the Government Modernization, Efficiency, Accountability, and Transparency Act. Requires every state agency that issues permits or licenses or accepts applications, proposals, bids or similar requests, to post on a Web site customer service links that contain specified information, forms and applications, and instructions for filing complaints via the Internet. Requires notices of all public meetings and agendas be posted on the respective government Web sites of state agencies by a specified date

**SB 828 (Maldonado) Chapter 381 – Public Contracts**

Specifies that certain requirements and prohibitions on parties that provide goods to the state do not apply to a credit card purchase of goods of \$2,500 or less. Extends to an indefinite time period the authorization for the Office of State Publishing to accept paid advertisements.

**SB 837 (Dutton) Chapter 272 – Alternative Protest Pilot Project**

Amends the Alternative Protest Pilot Project in connection with state agency acquisition of goods and services, including the acquisition of information technology goods and services. Deletes the repeal date and minimum contract attainment provisions required of the pilot project. Renames the project as the Alternative Protest Process.

**SB 954 (Figueroa) Chapter 556 – Information Technology Goods and Services: Procurement**

Requires the Department of General Services to develop policies and guidelines for the procurement of information goods and services, including identifying and documenting information for requests for proposal, policies regarding bids, establishing a centralized entity responsible for procurement methods, consolidating functions and communicating rules, developing uniform standards for information technology procurement, and requirements to vendors and the general public.

*Effective 10/05/05*

**SB 973 (Kuehl) Chapter 418 – Employees' Retirement Domestic Partners**

Provides, under the Public Employee's Retirement System, for purposes of postretirement death benefits, a surviving domestic partner shall be treated the same as a surviving spouse if the partnership registration meets specified criteria or if the retired member and the domestic partner sign a specified affidavit.