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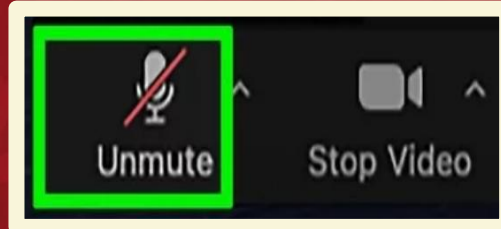
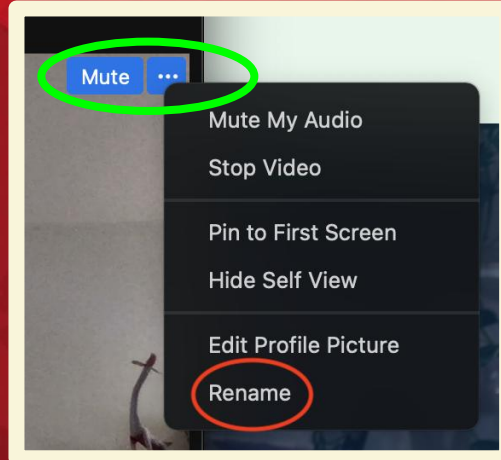
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How many bills were introduced in the CA legislature in February 2025?

- A. 864
- B. 1553
- C. 2124
- D. 2397

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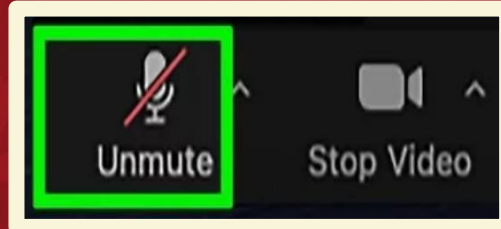
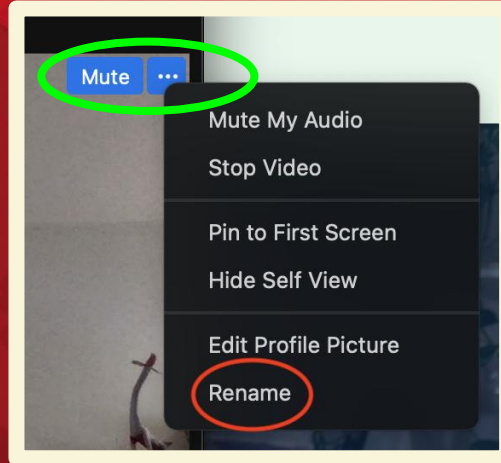
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DKG CA Educational Law & Policy Committee



Summer Leadership Planning Session 2025

(L-R) Sheila Gaiser (U.S. Forum Representative), Dr. Kathy Kinley (Chair), Hazel Powell (Legislative Coordinator). Daphne Cagle, Martha Zaragoza Diaz (Legislative Consultant Advocate)

Evaluating Bills for DKG CA:

Fulfilling Our DKG International Purposes 4 & 7

Purpose 4: “To initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators”

Purpose 7: “To inform the membership of current economic, social, political, and educational issues to the end that they may become intelligent, functioning members of a world society.”



How Does DKG CA Take Positions on Bills?



February
The Legislative Consultant/Advocate screens bills as they are introduced in the Legislature and selects those of interest to DKG California



Late February
The Legislative Coordinator sends bills to Bill Evaluators.



Early March
Bill Evaluators analyze all available information and make position recommendations. Evaluators inform the Legislative Coordinator of their recommendation.



Early-Mid March
Legislative Coordinator reviews evaluations and submits recommendations to our Legislative Consultant/Advocate

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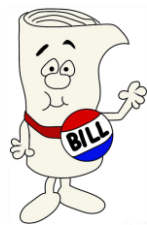
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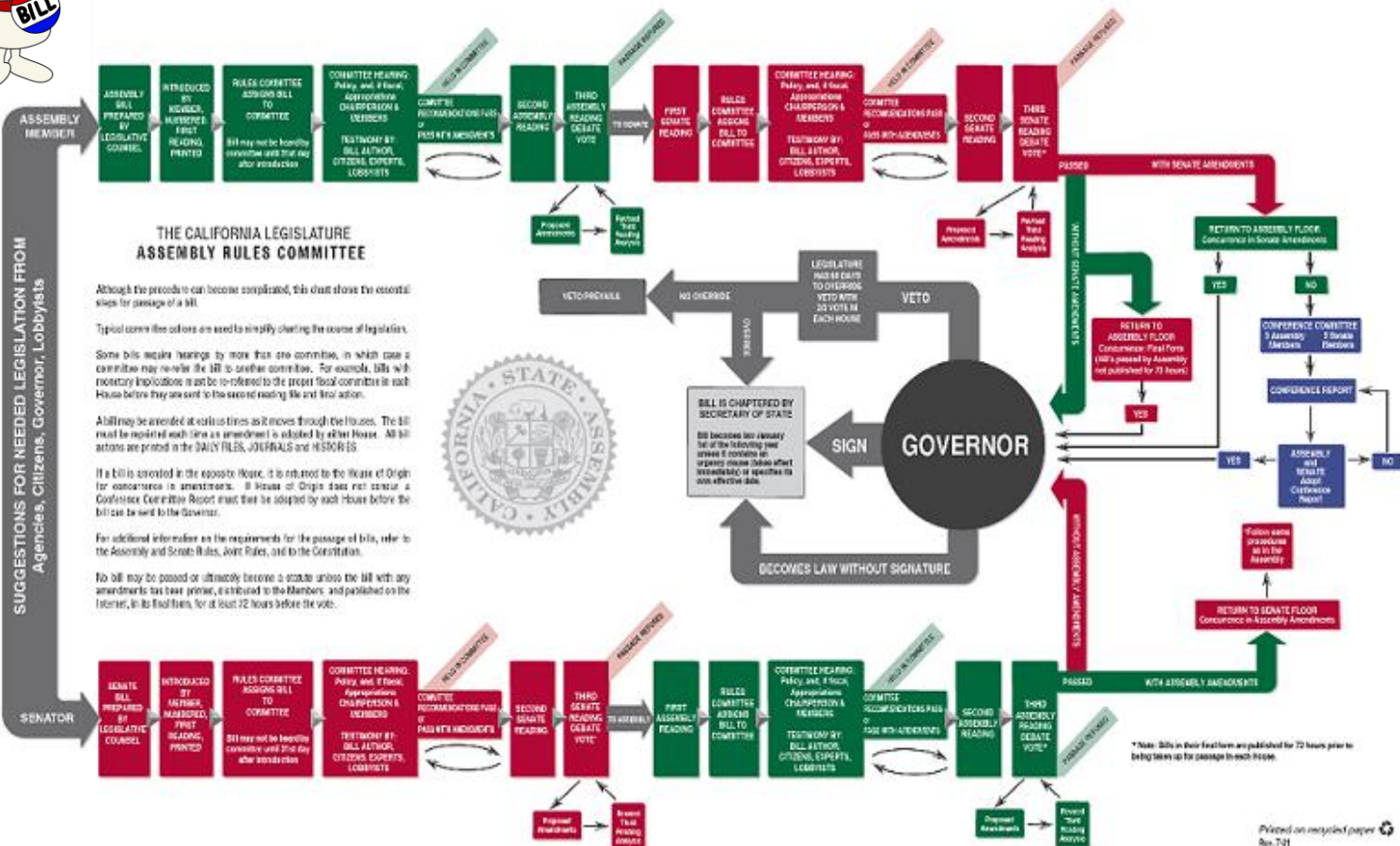
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From Idea into Law



*Note: Bills in their final form are published 72 hours prior to being taken up for passage in each House.

Step 1: Choose A Bill(s) And Indicate Your Selections on the Sign Up Sheet



- Review the bills of interest to DKG CA that have been identified by our Legislative Advocate Martha Zaragoza-Diaz and that have been sent to you by our Legislative Coordinator, Hazel Powell.
- Choose one or more bills that are of interest to you. Indicate which bill(s) you will be evaluating on this sign-up sheet. This sheet allows are committee to ensure that all bills are being evaluated while also providing you with the contact information of other bill evaluators that you may wish to connect with as you review and evaluate your bill.
- **Remember:** It is ok for more than one person to evaluate a bill and it is also ok if two people take different positions on a bill. We encourage as much feedback from our members as possible to make sure that our positions are representative of our organization.

Step 2: Read the Bill



Look up the text of the bill and read it. To review the anatomy of a bill, click here. You can use this document to take notes. (File–download–save as doc.)

Identify the following:

1. Bill Number introduced
2. Date
3. Author
4. Title
5. Current Status
6. Basic Provisions

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Bill Number: SB 39 Session Year: 2019-2020 Keyword(s):

House: Both Author: All For a phrase: "Surround it with Quotes"

Statute Year: All Code: All

Chapter Number: Code Section:

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AB1023

Session Year:

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Keyword(s):

House:

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Author:

All

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Statute Year:

Code:

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To retrieve legislative history materials for a bill on the current LegInfo website, input the bill number in the Bill Number: field in the format AB1023 or SB1023 and use the Session Year: dropdown to input the year.

Alternately, if you don't have a bill number, you can select the Text Search or Advanced Search tabs to search by keyword.

How to Read A Bill

Date bill last amended	AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 10, 2019
Bill number	SENATE BILL No. 39
Authors and coauthors	Introduced by Senators Hill, Glazer, and Portantino (Principal coauthor: Assembly Member McCarty) (Coauthors: Senators Allen, Beall, Dodd, Hertzberg, Leyva, Skinner, Stone, Wieckowski, and Wiener) (Coauthors: Assembly Members Berman, Bloom, Cristina Garcia, Katra, Rodriguez, Ting, and Wood)
Date of introduction	December 3, 2018
Descriptive title, which indicates code section(s) being amended or added	An act to amend Section 22963 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to tobacco products.
Legislative Counsel summary of the bill and relevant existing law	LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST SB 39, as amended, Hill. Tobacco products. Existing law, the Stop Tobacco Access to Kids Enforcement (STAKE) Act, prohibits the sale, distribution, or nonsale distribution of tobacco products, as defined, directly or indirectly to any person under 21 years of age through the United States Postal Service or through any other public or private postal or package delivery service. Existing law requires a person selling or distributing tobacco products directly to a consumer through the United States Postal Service or by another postal or package delivery service to comply with specified age-verification policies: <i>policies and deliver only to the consumer's verified mailing or billing address, as applicable.</i> Existing law authorizes enforcing agencies to assess civil penalties for violations of the STAKE Act.
Strikeout indicates word being deleted; <i>Italicized</i> text indicates new language	This bill would additionally require sellers, distributors, and nonsale distributors to deliver tobacco products only in conspicuously marked containers, as specified, and to obtain the signature of a person 21 years of age or older before delivering a tobacco product. <i>The bill would allow</i>

How to Read A Bill: Continued

Page number

Bill Key:

Indicates vote
threshold, if bill is fiscal,
if bill creates a state
mandated local program

Line number

Actual bill language
that will be codified

Amendments:

Strikeout indicates
word being deleted;
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new language

SB 39

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a person to designate an address for delivery that is different from the person's mailing or billing address, if the person's mailing or billing address has been verified in accordance with specified provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 22963 of the Business and Professions
2 Code is amended to read:
3 22963. (a) The sale, distribution, or nonsale distribution of
4 tobacco products directly or indirectly to any person under 21 years
5 of age through the United States Postal Service or through any
6 other public or private postal or package delivery service at
7 locations, including, but not limited to, public mailboxes and
8 mailbox stores, is prohibited.
9 (b) Any person selling or distributing, or engaging in the nonsale
10 distribution of, tobacco products directly to a consumer in the state
11 through the United States Postal Service or by any other public or
12 private postal or package delivery service, including orders placed
13 by mail, telephone, facsimile transmission, ~~or the Internet; internet,~~
14 shall comply with the following provisions:
15 (1) (A) ~~Before enrolling~~ a person as a customer, or distributing
16 or selling, or engaging in the nonsale distribution of, the tobacco
17 product through any of these means, the distributor or seller shall
18 verify that the purchaser or recipient of the product is 21 years of
19 age or older. The distributor or seller shall attempt to match the
20 name, address, and date of birth provided by the customer to
21 information contained in records in a database of individuals whose
22 age has been verified to be 21 years or older by reference to an
23 appropriate database of government records kept by the distributor,
24 a direct marketing firm, or any other entity. In the case of a sale,
25 the distributor or seller shall also verify that the billing address on
26 the check or credit card offered for payment by the purchaser
27 matches the address listed in the database.
28 (B) If the seller, distributor, or nonsale distributor, is unable to
29 verify that the purchaser or recipient is 21 years of age or older
30 pursuant to subparagraph (A), ~~he or she the seller, distributor, or~~
31 *nonsale distributor* shall require the customer or recipient to submit
32 an age-verification kit consisting of an attestation signed by the

Votes:

provides the names and total numbers of legislators who voted for and against the bill at each committee and floor vote.

The screenshot shows the California Legislative Information website. The URL is leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billVotesClient.xhtml?bill_id=2019202005B39. The page title is "SB-39 Tobacco products. (2019-2020)". The "Votes" tab is selected and circled in red. Below the tabs is a table titled "Bill Votes" with the following data:

Bill Votes	
Date	09/02/19
Result	(PASS)
Location	Assembly Floor
Ayes Count	77
Noes Count	0
NVR Count	2
Motion	SB 39 Bill Senate Third Reading By McCarty
Ayes	Aguilar-Curry, Arambula, Bauer-Kahan, Berman, Bigelow, Bloom, Boerner-Hervath, Bonta, Brough, Burke, Calderon, Carrillo, Cervantes, Chau, Chen, Chiu, Choi, Chu, Cooley, Cooper, Cunningham, Daly, Diep, Eggman, Flora, Feng, Friedman, Gabriel, Gallagher, Cristina Garcia, Gipson, Gloria, Gonzalez, Gray, Grayson, Holden, Irvin, Jones-Savryen, Kalra, Kamlager-Dove, Kiley, Lackey, Levine, Limón, Low, Malenich, Natho, Mayes, McCarty, Medina, Melendez, Mullin, Muratsuchi, Nazarian, Oberholze, O'Donnell, Patterson, Patric-Harris, Quirk, Quirk-Silva, Ramos, Reyes, Luz Rivas, Robert Rivas, Rodriguez, Blanca Rubio, Salas, Santiago, Smith, Mark Stone, Ting, Voepel, Waldron, Weber, Wicks, Wood, Rendon
Noes	
NVR	Frazier, Eduardo Garcia

A list all of the actions taken on the bill, including the dates it was voted on the floor, heard in committee, and amended.

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SB-39 Tobacco products. (2019-2020)

Text	Votes	History	Bill Analysis	Today's Law As Amended	Compare Versions	Status	Comments To Author
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Date	Action
09/16/19	Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 295, Statutes of 2019.
09/16/19	Approved by the Governor.
09/10/19	Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 4 p.m.
09/03/19	In Senate. Ordered to engrossing and enrolling.
09/03/19	Read third time. Passed. (Ayes 77. Noes 0. Page 2955.) Ordered to the Senate.
08/15/19	Read second time. Ordered to third reading.
08/14/19	From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 18. Noes 0.) (August 14).
07/11/19	(Received at desk July 10 pursuant to JR 61(a)(10)).
07/11/19	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 21. Noes 0.) (July 10). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
05/16/19	Referred to Com. on G.O.
05/07/19	In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.
05/06/19	Read third time. Passed. (Ayes 38. Noes 0. Page 956.) Ordered to the Assembly.
04/30/19	Read second time. Ordered to third reading.
04/29/19	From committee: Be ordered to second reading pursuant to Senate Rule 28.8.
04/18/19	Set for hearing April 29.
04/10/19	From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
03/28/19	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 9. Noes 0. Page 490.) (March 27). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
03/07/19	Set for hearing March 27.
01/16/19	Referred to Com. on HEALTH.
12/04/18	From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 3.
12/03/18	Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.

Committee Analysis

The analysis includes:

- Summary of existing law
- Explanation of what the bill does
- Background on the policy
- List of support and opposition
- Questions/concerns the committee staff may have

SB-39 Tobacco products. (2019-2020)

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator Dr. Richard Pan, Chair

BILL NO: SB 39
AUTHOR: Hill, Glazer, and Portantino
VERSION: December 3, 2018
HEARING DATE: March 27, 2019
CONSULTANT: Reyes Diaz

SUBJECT: Tobacco products.

SUMMARY: Requires a tobacco product to be delivered only in a container that is conspicuously labeled as being a tobacco product that requires the signature or a person 21 years of age or older. Requires, before completing a delivery, a specified entity to obtain the signature of a person 21 years of age or older upon delivering the product to the recipient's or purchaser's address.

Existing law:

- Requires the Department of Public Health (DPH) to establish and develop a program to reduce the availability of "tobacco products," as defined, to persons under 21 years of age through authorized enforcement activities, as specified, pursuant to the Stop Tobacco Access to Kids Enforcement Act (STAKE Act). [BPC §22952]
- Prohibits the sale, distribution, or nonsale distribution of tobacco products directly or indirectly to any person under 21 through the U.S. Postal Service or through any other public or private postal or package delivery service at locations, including, but not limited to, public mailboxes and mailbox stores. [BPC §22963]
- Requires any person selling or distributing, or engaging in the nonsale distribution of, tobacco products directly to a consumer in the state through the U.S. Postal Service or by any other public or private postal or package delivery service, including orders placed by mail, telephone, facsimile transmission, or the Internet, to comply with specific provisions that include, but are not limited to:
 - Verifying that the purchaser or recipient of the product is 21 by attempting to match the name, address, and date of birth provided by the customer to information contained in records in a database of individuals whose age has been verified to be 21 or older by reference to an appropriate database of government records kept by the distributor, a direct marketing firm, or any other entity; or,
 - Requiring a customer or recipient of tobacco products to submit an age-verification kit consisting of an attestation signed by the customer or recipient that he or she is 21 or older, and a copy of a valid form of government identification, as specified. [BPC §22963]
- Permits a district attorney, city attorney, or the California Attorney General to assess civil penalties against any person, firm, corporation, or other entity that violates 2) or 3) above of existing law ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000 for a first, second, third, fourth, or fifth violation within a five-year period. [BPC §22963]
- Defines "tobacco product" as a product containing, made, or derived from tobacco or nicotine that is intended for human consumption, as specified, including an electronic device

8) *Support.* The sponsors of this bill argue that a study by the Journal of the American Medical Association found that more than 96% of 15 to 16 year olds were able to find an Internet cigarettes vendor and place an order in less than 25 minutes, with most completing the order in seven minutes. The sponsors state that this bill will be a critical component in the efforts to restrict the sales of tobacco to children. The sponsors and other supporters of this bill, largely health advocates, health professionals, and local governments, argue that tobacco products remain the leading cause of preventable illness, disability, and death in the nation. Supporters argue that the effects of tobacco are even more concerning in youth, whose brains are still developing, and that products are increasingly marketed to youth with enticing flavors and product design. Supporters cite recent studies that found youth users of ESDs rose by 78% between 2017 and 2018, and that 440,000 youth in the state are expected to die prematurely as a result of tobacco use. Further, supporters state that an alarming 80% of youths who have ever used tobacco started with a flavored product. Supporters argue that this bill would help reduce access to youth and help protect them from establishing a deadly addiction and serious health problems.

9) *Opposition.* The Cigar Association of America, Inc. (CAA) states that they are adamantly opposed to youth usage of cigars and pipe tobacco, but this bill would disproportionately harm their industry. CAA argues that this bill would make it more difficult for adult consumers to purchase products that are not available to them in a local retail setting. CAA argues that this bill creates an additional barrier despite the lack of evidence demonstrating that existing statutory requirements have been ineffective in preventing products from reaching adult consumers. CAA states the majority of parcel deliveries occur during business hours when consumers are not home, and orders would ultimately be returned to the sender without delivery.

SUPPORT AND OPPOSITION:

Support: American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (co-sponsor)
American Heart Association (co-sponsor)
American Lung Association (co-sponsor)
Alameda County Tobacco Control Coalition
American Academy of Pediatrics, California
Association of California Healthcare Districts
California Chapter of the American College of Cardiology
California Dental Association
California Society of Addiction Medicine
California State PTA
The Cancer Journey
City of Palo Alto
City of San Leandro
City of San Pablo
County Health Executives Association of California
County of Santa Clara
Families United Locally to Solve Tobacco Proliferation
Flavors Hook Kids—Livermore
Health Access California
Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford
National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners, SF Bay Area Chapter
Sierra Club California
USC Health, Emotion, and Addiction Laboratory
USC Institute for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Research
USC Tobacco Center on Regulatory Science
Various individuals

Oppose: Cigar Association of America, Inc.

Today's Law as Amended

Enables you to compare the bill with current law

“Today's Law As Amended” indicates how the current law would be changed if the bill takes effect. The proposed *text additions* to the code section are displayed in blue italics and the proposed **deletions** are displayed in red strikethrough.

This feature can be helpful for complex or heavily amended bills.

The screenshot shows the California Legislative Information website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links like 'skip to content', 'home', 'accessibility', 'FAQ', 'feedback', 'sitemap', and 'login'. Below this is a search bar labeled 'Quick Search'. The main content area is titled 'SB-39 Tobacco products. (2019-2020)'. A tabbed interface at the top of the content area includes 'Text', 'Votes', 'History', 'Bill Analysis', 'Today's Law As Amended' (which is highlighted with a red circle), 'Compare Versions', 'Status', and 'Comments To Author'. The 'Today's Law As Amended' tab displays the text of Section 1, which amends Section 22963 of the Business and Professions Code. The text includes several paragraphs with proposed changes: (a) The sale, distribution, or nonsale distribution of tobacco products directly or indirectly to any person under 21 years of age through the United States Postal Service or through any other public or private postal or package delivery service at locations, including, but not limited to, public mailboxes and mailbox stores, is prohibited. (b) Any person selling or distributing, or engaging in the nonsale distribution of, tobacco products directly to a consumer in the state through the United States Postal Service or by any other public or private postal or package delivery service, including orders placed by mail, telephone, facsimile transmission, or the ~~Internet~~ *internet*, shall comply with the following provisions: (1) (A) Before enrolling a person as a customer or distributing or selling, or engaging in the nonsale distribution of, the tobacco product through any of these means, the distributor or seller shall verify that the purchaser or recipient of the product is 21 years of age or older. The distributor or seller shall attempt to match the name, address, and date of birth provided by the customer or recipient to information contained in records in a database of individuals whose age has been verified to be 21 years or older by reference to an appropriate database of government records kept by the distributor, a direct marketing firm, or any other entity. In the case of a sale, the distributor or seller shall also verify that the billing address on the check or credit card offered for payment by the purchaser matches the address listed in the database. (B) If the seller, distributor, or nonsale distributor is unable to verify that the purchaser or recipient is 21 years of age or older pursuant to subparagraph (A), ~~no one who~~ *the seller, distributor, or nonsale distributor* shall require the customer or recipient to submit an age-verification kit consisting of an attestation signed by the customer or recipient that ~~he or she~~ *the customer or the recipient* is 21 years of age or older and a copy of a valid form of government identification. For the purposes of this section, a valid form of government identification includes a driver's license, state identification card, passport, an official naturalization or immigration document, such as an alien registration receipt card (commonly known as a "green card") or an immigrant visa, or military identification. In the case of a sale, the distributor or seller shall also verify that the billing address on the check or credit card provided by the consumer matches the address listed in the form of government identification. (2) In the case of a sale, the distributor or seller shall impose a two-carton minimum on each order of cigarettes, and shall require payment for the purchase of any tobacco product to be made by personal check of the purchaser or the purchaser's credit card. No money order or cash payment shall be received or permitted. The distributor or seller shall submit to each credit card acquiring company with which it has credit card sales identification information in an appropriate form and format so that the words "tobacco product" may be printed in the purchaser's credit card statement when a purchase of a tobacco product is made by credit card payment. (3) In the case of a sale, the distributor or seller shall make a telephone call after 5 p.m. to the purchaser confirming the order prior to shipping the tobacco products. The telephone call may be a person-to-person call or a recorded message. The distributor or seller is not required to speak directly with a person and may leave a message on an answering machine or by voice mail. (4) (A) The nonsale distributor shall deliver the tobacco product to the recipient's verified mailing address, or in the case of a sale, the seller or distributor shall deliver the tobacco product to the purchaser's verified billing address on the check or credit card used for payment. ~~No delivery described under this section shall be permitted to any post office box.~~ (B) In the case of a nonsale, a recipient may designate an alternative address for delivery, if the recipient's mailing address has been verified in accordance with this section. (C) In the case of a sale, a purchaser may designate an alternative address for delivery, if the purchaser's billing address has been verified in accordance with this section. (D) A delivery described under this section shall not be permitted to any post office box.

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE— 2025–2026 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

Introduced by Assembly Member Alvarez
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Flora)

December 02, 2024



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Measure: AB-30

Lead Authors: Alvarez (A)

Principal Coauthors: -

Coauthors: Flora (A)

Topic: State Air Resources Board: gasoline specifications: ethanol blends.

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Title: An act to add Section 43013.7 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to motor vehicle fuels, and

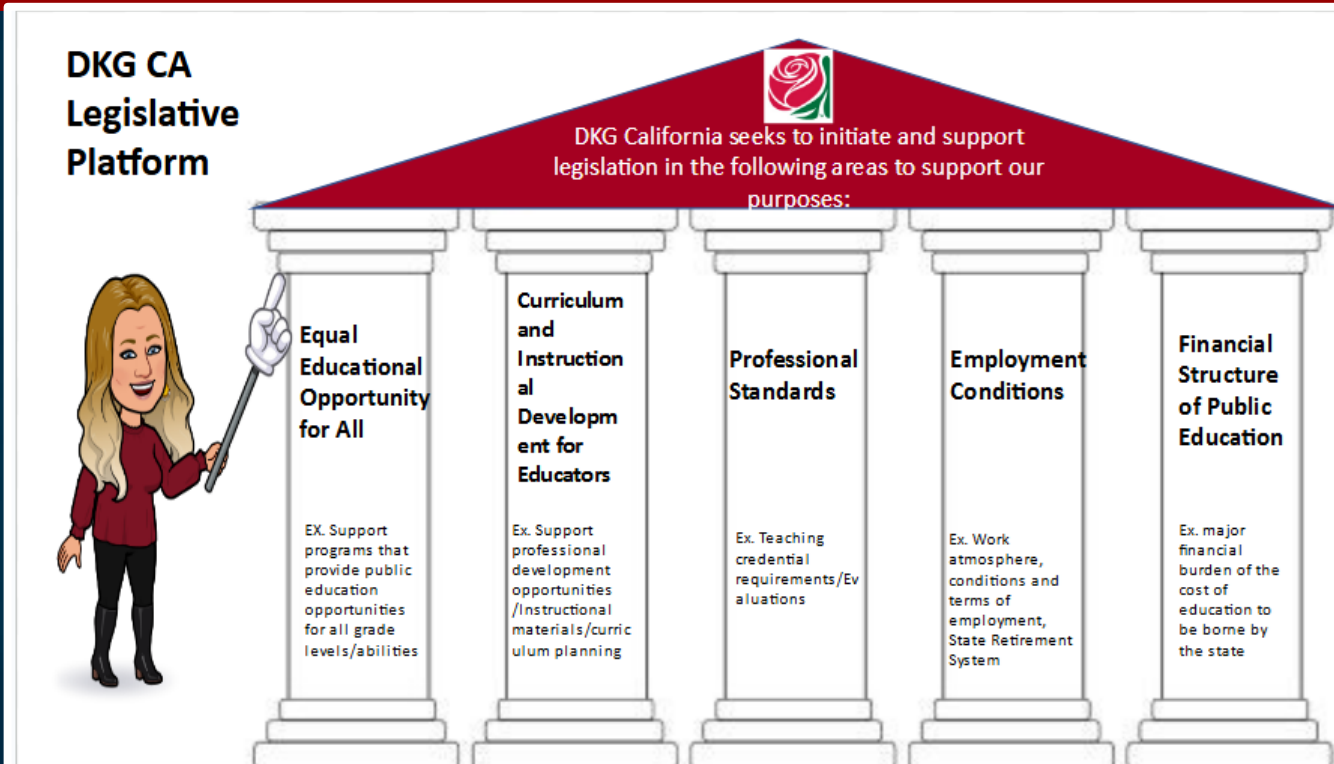
House Location: Assembly

Introduced Date: 12/02/24

Status

identifies where the bill is currently (e.g., in a specific committee, on the floor, chaptered, or died).

Step 3: Review the DKG CA Legislative Platform and Identify the Bill's Relationship to Our Platform



Step 4: Consider Questions and Conduct Research

What problem is the Legislation attempting to address?

Who is the author and what district do they represent?

Who are the sponsors of the bill?

What are the authors/sponsors trying to accomplish?

Who supports or opposes the bill? Why?

What are the existing laws and regulations on this subject?

Have previous attempts been made to pass similar legislation? What was the outcome?

Does the state have existing policy on this issue?

Have other educational organizations taken a position on this issue? <https://www.cta.org/our-advocacy/cta-bill-positions>

<https://calrta.org/state-legislation/>

What were their recommendations and do their recommendations line up with our platform?

What are the fiscal implications? (Any bill costing over \$50,000 will be referred to the suspense file of the appropriations committee)

What impact will the bill have on teachers, schools, and students?



Step 5: Contact the Author of the Bill for Additional Information

SUGGESTED SCRIPT FOR BILL EVALUATORS

As stated in the document “How to Evaluate a Bill: Sources of Information” a step that can be taken by a bill evaluator for the purpose of doing a comprehensive bill evaluation, is to call and/or email the Capitol office of the legislator who is “carrying/authoring” the bill for additional information on a bill. One can obtain the phone numbers of the Capitol office by going to the following website: <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/>

Some legislative offices may offer a “Fact Sheet” on the bill, identifying the sponsors of the bill, identifying supporters; identifying persons/organizations opposing the bill and any cost attached to the bill. When you call and/or email the Capitol office request to speak to the staff person who has been assigned to the bill. If that individual is not in or not available leave a message. State your name, your position in DKG CA and the purpose of your call and/or email. If time is of the essence, and rather than waiting for the specific staff person to return your call, you may ask the person who answered the phone whether he/she has any information on the bill (such as a Fact Sheet) that they can email to you.

For additional
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links below:

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Suggested Script for Phone/Email

Below is a suggested script that you may follow.

“Good morning/good afternoon. My name is _____ and I am a member of Delta Kappa Gamma California State. DKG California State is a statewide organization comprised of women educators whose mission is to promote professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. I have been assigned to evaluate AB____/SB____ for the purpose of recommending a position on the bill to the organization. Any background information you have on the bill will be extremely helpful to me in developing a recommended position. If available, can you please email me the Fact Sheet on the bill (provide your email address)? Also, can you please tell me who the sponsors of the bill are and who is supporting or opposing the bill?

Thank you very much for your assistance.”

For additional
legislator contact
information see
links below:

[State Senate 2026](#)

[State Assembly
2026](#)

Step 6: Take a Position	
SUPPORT	There is total agreement with the policy or fiscal changes to existing law proposed in the bill. A “support” position requires a letter be sent to the author of the bill and to the chairpersons of the legislative policy committees stating why DKG California is in support as well as testifying before the legislative policy committees. If the bill lands on the governor’s desk, a letter requesting a signature on the bill is forwarded to the governor.
SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS	There is general agreement with the policy or fiscal changes, however, additional revisions/amendments are required to clarify proposed policy/fiscal changes. A “support” with amendments position requires a letter be sent to the author of the bill and to the chairpersons of the legislative policy committees stating why DKG California has a support with amendments position on the bill as well as testifying before the legislative policy committees. If the bill lands on the governor’s desk, a letter requesting a signature on the bill is forwarded to the governor.
OPPOSE	There is complete disagreement with the policy or fiscal changes to existing law proposed in the bill. An “oppose” letter outlining reasons for opposition is forwarded to the author of the bill and to the chairpersons of the policy committees. Testifying before the legislative policy committees is also required. A letter stating reasons for opposing the bill is forwarded to the governor requesting he/she not sign (veto) the bill.
OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED	There is disagreement with what is being proposed in the bill but can be made better with amendments/revisions. DKG California proposes amendments (changes) to the bill that would remove an “oppose unless amended” position. If the author accepts the proposed revisions, then the “oppose unless amended” position may change to a neutral or support position. A letter is forwarded to the author of the bill giving reasons for this position and providing recommended revisions. A letter reflecting this position is also forwarded to the chairpersons of the legislative policy committees. Testifying before legislative fiscal/policy committees is also required. If the bill lands on the governor’s desk without amendments, then an oppose letter to the governor is forwarded requesting him/her not to sign (veto) the bill.
WATCH	A bill contains “intent” language signaling that there may be serious amendments made to the bill but for now the bill is just monitored. No letters or testimony required.
NOTE	A bill that has been referred to an appropriations committee may require a letter of support as well.

Step 7: Complete Your Evaluation Form

Evaluations Due By March 15th

[DKG CA Bill Evaluation Form](#)



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DKG California Bill Evaluation Form -
Please respond within a week of
receiving the bill(s)

Bill Evaluation Example



Step 8: Recommendations Reviewed

Once recommendations are reviewed by the DKG CA Educational Law and Policy Committee, and final positions are settled, a letter is drafted for any bill with a “support” or “oppose” positions which are sent to the author of the bill and to the appropriate policy, then fiscal (if appropriate) committees, by Martha.

Assembly Education Committee: 1:30PM (2nd and 4th Wednesday, Room 1100)

Assembly Appropriations Committee: 9:00AM (Every Wednesday, Room 1100)

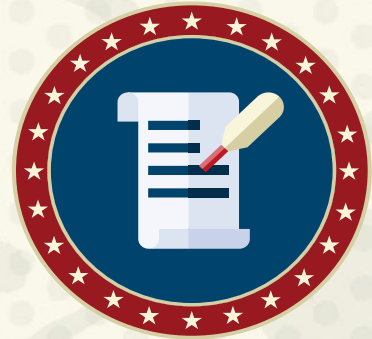
Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee: 9:00AM (1st and 3rd Wednesday, State Capitol Room 444)

Senate Education Committee: 9:00AM (Every Wednesday, Room 2100)

Senate Appropriations Committee: 10:00AM (Every Monday, Room 2200)

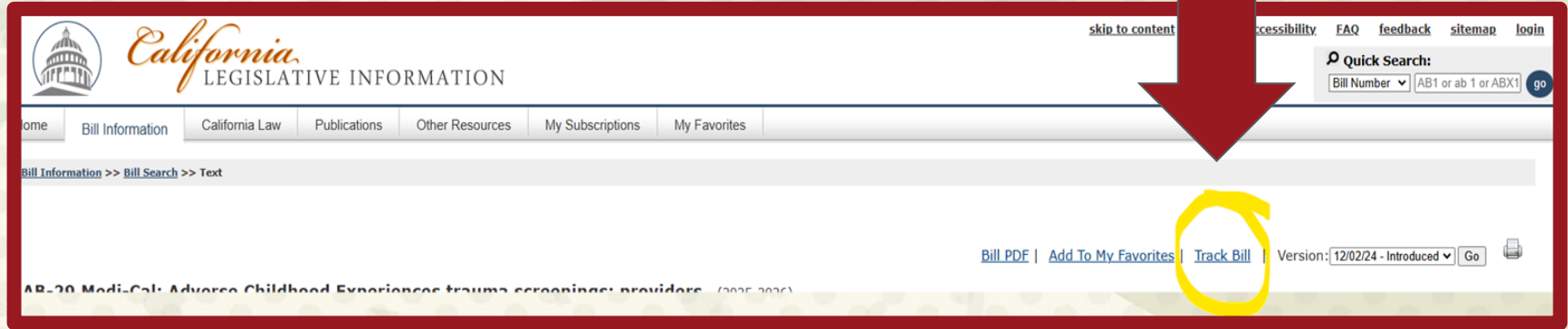
Senate Labor and Retirement Committee: 9:30AM (2nd and 4th Wednesday, Room 2200)

Assembly Higher Ed. Committee: 1:30 PM (1st and 3rd Tuesdays, Rm 126)



Step 9: Follow Your Bill

You can track your bill on the [CA Legislative Information Website](#)



The screenshot displays the California Legislative Information Website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for [skip to content](#), [accessibility](#), [FAQ](#), [feedback](#), [sitemap](#), and [login](#). Below this is a search bar labeled "Quick Search:" with a dropdown menu for "Bill Number" and a search button. The main content area features a horizontal menu with tabs for [Home](#), [Bill Information](#), [California Law](#), [Publications](#), [Other Resources](#), [My Subscriptions](#), and [My Favorites](#). Below the menu, there is a breadcrumb trail: [Bill Information](#) >> [Bill Search](#) >> [Text](#). A large red arrow points down to a yellow circle highlighting the [Track Bill](#) link. Other links visible include [Bill PDF](#), [Add To My Favorites](#), and a version dropdown menu set to "12/02/24 - Introduced".

DKG California Committees (Alphabetical)

Use Navigation Drop Down Menu OR Click On Committee Names

[Area Directors](#)

[Awards & Recognitions](#)

[Bylaws, Planning & Procedures](#)

[Communications & Technology](#) Leveraging technologies to revitalize, diversify and expand membership at the chapter level.

[Convention](#) Envisioning a vibrant, inspiring weekend where new and veteran sisters can learn, grow, and celebrate together.

[Education Center- Office](#)

[Ed Law Policy- Legislation](#) Empowering members to be educational legislative and policy advocates

[Executive](#)

[Expansion](#)

[Finance- Treasurer Information](#) Providing oversight to ensure a fiscally sound DKG California

[Financial Development - Rose Boutique](#) Increasing the visibility of DKG by offering DKG-branded and related merchandise for purchase through the Rose Boutique

[Global Awareness](#) Stimulating chapters and areas to take part in participating in projects that have a worldwide impact

[Leadership Development](#)

[Marketing & Publicity](#)

[Membership](#) Equipping and guiding areas and chapters to increase membership

[Meeting Sites](#)

[Nominations](#) Facilitating leadership positions for DKG California positions, state committees, area directors, and chapter leaders

[Scholarship](#) Lifting up our members by financially supporting their educational opportunities.

[S.T.E.P \(Support Team 4 Emerging Professionals\)](#) Increasing awareness of the support available to member and nonmember emerging professionals

[V.A.P.A. \(Visual & Performing Arts\)](#)

Educational Law/Policy Committee



*Legislative and
Policy Reports*

*Bill Evaluator
Information*

*Federal Issues/
DKG U.S. Forum*

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*Resources/
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*Legislative
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Session*

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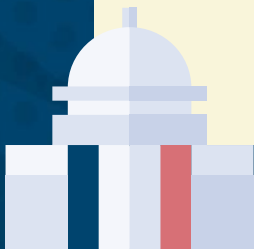
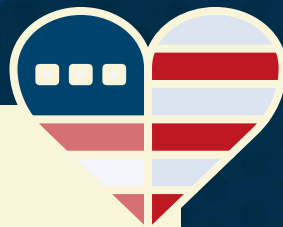
- Find your representatives: <https://findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov/>
- California Senate: <https://www.senate.ca.gov/>.
- California Assembly: <https://www.assembly.ca.gov/>.
- Leg Info: <https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/>
- DKG California webpage: <https://dkgcalifornia.org/>.
- Ca. Dept. of Education: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/>.
- State Board of Education: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/be/>.
- California Commission on Teacher Credentialing: <https://www.ctc.ca.gov/>.
- Glossary of Legislative Terms: http://leginfo.public.ca.gov/pdf/2017/2117_Cal_Leg2016_Sec15.pdf

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