

# CCASLA LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



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The California Council of ASLA (CCASLA), which is comprised of two members from each of the four California chapters, serves our membership by monitoring legislation and the lawmaking process taking place in our State's Capitol. The CCASLA works with legislative advocates to assist in determining what position to take on Assembly Bills (AB) and Senate Bills (SB) that might have an effect on the profession of Landscape Architecture in California. Those positions are generally watch, oppose, or support (see below). A portion of your Chapter dues go to support the purpose of your CCASLA Directors.

One particular bill, Assembly Bill 1573, is currently being discussed between the CCASLA Directors and our Lobbyists, Edelstein Gilbert Robson & Smith, LLC.

As written, it could negatively impact our profession by legislating heavily restrictive use of native plants, specifically native to the specific regions within the state, among other issues. While we understand and support the overall intent of the bill, we will be meeting with Assembly Member Friedman's staff in May to discuss the bill subject matter and discuss language edits to the bill.

The landscape Architects Technical Committee (LATC) was held on April 21st, and minutes to that meeting will be available soon. For more information, please visit the LATC website at [www.latc.ca.gov](http://www.latc.ca.gov).

Finally, CCASLA would like to introduce you to and welcome a new Director for the Southern California Chapter of ASLA, Hongjoo Kim, ASLA!

# CURRENTLY MONITORED BILLS

Your ASLA membership and participation allows CCASLA to stay aware of what is happening in California Government and actively influence the outcomes we can achieve on your behalf. If you have any questions, you can contact Phil Armstrong, ASLA ([phil@lightfootpg.com](mailto:phil@lightfootpg.com)) and/or DJ Taylor, ASLA ([dtaylor@delorenzo-intl.com](mailto:dtaylor@delorenzo-intl.com)).

<b>BILL#</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>POSITION</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
<b>AB 45 (Boerner-Horvath)</b>	Coastal Developmt Permits:Blue Carbon Demo Projects	Watch	Asm Approp
<b>AB 57 (Kalra)</b>	Pocket Forest Initiative	Watch	Asm Approp
<b>AB 334 (Rubio)</b>	Public Contracts: Conflicts of Interest	Watch	Elections 4/19
<b>AB 342 (Valencia)</b>	CA Architects Board: Licensee demographic Info	Watch	Asm Approp
<b>AB 363 (Bauer-Kahan)</b>	Pesticides: Neonicotinoids: Eval for Non-Ag Use	Watch	Asm Approp
<b>AB 400 (Rubio)</b>	Local Agency Design Build Projects: Authorization	Watch	Asm Local Gov
<b>AB 411 (Bennett)</b>	Transportation: Trails	Watch	Asm WPW 4/18
<b>AB 527 (Calderon)</b>	Urban Forestry: School Greening Projects: Grants	Support	Asm Approp
<b>AB 824 (Calderon)</b>	Highway Greening: Statewide Strategic Plan	Watch	Asm Approp
<b>AB 882 (Davies)</b>	Coastal Resources: Climate Ready Program	Watch	Asm Approp
<b>AB 883 (Mathis)</b>	Business Licenses: Dept of Defense SkillBridge Project	Support	Asm Approp
<b>AB 996 (Low)</b>	DCA: Continuing Education: Conflict of Interest Policy	Watch	B&P 4/25
<b>AB 1041 (Ramos)</b>	Wildlife: White Sage: Taking and Possession	Watch	Asm WPW
<b>AB 1195 (Calderon)</b>	Climate Change Preparedness: Projects/Grant Funding	Watch	Asm Approp
<b>AB 1572/1573(Friedman)</b>	Prohibit Potable Water Use on Nonfunctional Turf	Watch	Asm WPW 4/18
<b>AB 1694 (Bonta)</b>	Regional Park/Open Space Districts: Mgmt Powers	Watch	Asm Local Govt
<b>ACR 49 (Berman)</b>	Annual California Native Plant Month in April	Watch	Rules
<b>SB 337 (Minn)</b>	Environmental Protection: Biodiversity & Conserv Rpt	Watch	Sen NRW 4/18
<b>SB 372 (Menjivar)</b>	DCA: Licensee&Registrant Records: Name/Gender Chg	Watch	Sen Judic 4/18
<b>SB 414 (Allan)</b>	Drought-Tolerant Landscaping:Local Incentive:AstroTurf	Watch	Sen Envir Qual
<b>SB 416 (Laird)</b>	State Agencies:Building&Renovation Projects: LEED	Support	Sen Approp
<b>SB 527 (Min)</b>	Urban Forestry: School Urban Greening	Support	Sen EnergyUC
<b>SB 539 (Stern)</b>	Sepulveda Basin: Nature-Based Solutions/Planning	Watch	Sen Approp
<b>SB 617 (Newman)</b>	Public Contracts: Progressive Local Design Build	Watch	Sen Trans 4/11
<b>SB 706 (Caballero)</b>	Public Contracts: Progressive Design Build: Local	Support	Sen Approp
<b>SB 802 (Roth)</b>	Licensing Boards: Disqualification: Criminal Conviction	Watch	Sen Approp 4/10