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President's Message

by Ed Klinenberg

Over the last few years, CIHC has been monitoring new legislation and regulations, which essentially say the existing Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) framework as stated in Cal/OSHA's regulation at Title 8 California Code of Regulations Section 3203 (8CCR3203) is **insufficient** to protect workers from specific hazards and that additional protection is needed. At the same time, the CA Office of Self-Insurance Plans (OSIP) has proposed regulations to replace the current requirement for an independent CIH, CSP, or licensed California professional engineer effectiveness review of the applicant's IIPP with a self-certification of effectiveness.

The elimination or lack-of inclusion of competent oversight is troubling. Competence is defined in the Meriam-Webster dictionary as "having requisite or adequate ability or qualities". Cal/OSHA defines a competent person as "a person who is **capable** of identifying existing and predictable hazards in the surroundings or working conditions that are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to employees. The competent person has the **authority** to impose prompt corrective measures to eliminate these hazards". Under current Cal/OSHA regulations, a limited number of hazardous substance regulations such as asbestos (8CCR1529) and cadmium (8CCR1532) in the construction setting require the use of a competent person. 8CCR5155, Airborne Contaminants, requires the person 'supervising, directing or evaluating the monitoring and control methods shall be versed in the standard and competent in industrial hygiene practice when it is reasonable to suspect that employees may be exposed in excess of the PELs". 8CCR3203, IIPP, does not have any requirements for a competent person. Instead, the term "competent observer" is introduced in the IIPP model programs hazard assessment section without definition.

As their rationale for eliminating independent IIPP effectiveness review, the CA OSIP states "The elimination of the requirement for a safety evaluation completed by an independent safety professional eliminates the costs associated with this requirement and eliminates redundancy, as workplace safety is the responsibility of a different division within state government." True, some costs will be reduced. However, the impact of occupational health and safety pro-

grams without competent person oversight is greater, and even greater is the continuing loss of life and productivity that workplace accidents from unrecognized hazards cause among California's work force.

CIHC is actively working on proposed legislation to require that an employer's IIPP include hazard evaluations conducted by a person who is competent to do so, and to define who would be competent in this regard, such as Certified Industrial Hygienists. The challenge is to convince one of our State Legislators that this is a bill he or she should carry. So far, our issue isn't "sexy enough" to warrant a sponsor. Stay tuned....

Young Workers Safety & Health Initiative

by Richard Hirsh

The California Industrial Hygiene Council (CIHC) Representatives, Chris Laszcz-Davis and Richard Hirsh, met with representatives from the Labor Occupational Health Program (LOHP) and the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) to explore opportunities to promote the NIOSH/AIHA efforts on building awareness around job hazards for young workers, specifically California youth. LOHP has been engaged in young worker programs for approximately 20 years now. The NIOSH/AIHA efforts hopefully serve to enhance and expand the good work already being done in California.

CIHC is partnering with LOHP and DIR to assist with promoting these efforts through our California local sections by--disseminating information; recruiting volunteers within our sections to identify

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educational opportunities within their local communities (e.g. Expanding Horizons, existent STEM programs, other youth job fairs etc); and (through CIHC), working on legislation to promote introduction of middle and high school curricula on this topic. The primary activities LOHP is currently pursuing include— annual plans for Safe Jobs for Youth Month; supporting the efforts of their annual Young Worker Leadership Academy and other peer leader programs; discussions about how to institutionalize OSH training at the high school level in California's educational landscape; and discussions about how to improve and develop California's work permit system as a mechanism for getting information to young workers and employers about workplace rights and safety issues.

On a broader basis, CIHC, LOHP and AIHA will explore opportunities across states to leverage successful initiatives and practices.

CIHC has also begun a dialogue with the Industrial Hygiene Graduate Program in the School of Public Health at UC Berkeley to calibrate opportunities to promote Safe Jobs for Youth by having graduate students present the 1-hour curricula at local high schools. Plans are underway to contact UCLA's Industrial Hygiene program as well.

You can find the latest version of LOHP's statewide recommendations at: <http://youngworkers.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/Keeping-CA-Youth-Safe-Job.pdf>. Please see the LOHP website: (www.youngworkers.org) for additional information.

Please feel free to contact Richard Hirsh at RHirsh@nektar.com or Chris Laszcz-Davis at ChrisLD@EQ-Organization.com for additional information.

National AIHA Important Dates and Deadlines

July 12	2 nd China-Occupational Health Symposium (Guangzhou, China)
Mid July	Registration opens for AIHA 2016 Fall Conference and PDCs , Oct. 22-26, San Antonio, TX
July 30	Call for New AIHA-LAP, LLC Volunteers
Oct 3-5	Road Course: Exposure and Chemical Monitoring—Beyond IH Fundamentals

30th Annual AIHF Fun Run a Success!

More than 250 IH/OH professionals gathered at the Inner-Harbor in Maryland to participate in the 30th Annual AIHF 5K Run 2K Walk in support of the Foundation. Held in conjunction with AIHce, the FunRun helps to raise scholarship funds for students in industrial hygiene and related disciplines, and funding training/professional development opportunities for industrial hygienists in the first 15 years of their professional careers in industrial hygiene and related disciplines. In 2016, AIHF awarded \$73,700 in scholarships to 38 students.

Outstanding Volunteer Groups and Individuals Recognized at AIHce Mark of Excellence Event

The Mark of Excellence Event at the AIHce showcases the “best of the best” within the profession and the AIHA volunteer community – the bar is set high and a number of volunteer groups and individuals were recognized as outstanding based on their achievements, impact on the profession, and exceeding expectations.

Hearty congratulations went to a number of volunteer groups (not all Committees are listed here), including several California members. Of note, the Indoor Environmental Quality Committee was recognized for its excellent work on the Legionella Guidance Document Project Team. Team members include—Megan Carright, MPH, CIH; Ralph Froelich, MS, CIH, CSP, QEP; Jeffrey Hicks, CIH; Ling-Ling Hung, PhD; Deborah Jaeger; David Kahane, CIH; William S. Kerbel, CIH; Kimberly Kirkland; Ben Kollmeyer, CIH; J. David Krause, PhD, CIH, MSPH; Brian G. Shelton; John Springston, CIH, CSP, MS, FAIHA; and Erica Stewart, CIH, FAIHA.

Volunteer Service Award Recognitions went to several, including Californians—Stephen J. Derman selected by the Exposure and Control Banding Committee; and Jere W. Ingram, CIH, CSP selected by the Occupational and Environmental Medicine Committee.

2nd China-Occupational Health Symposium

More than 259 [delegates](#) are registered for the [2nd China-US Occupational Health Symposium](#), hosted by the National Center for International Cooperation in Work Safety, P. R. China (NCICS) and the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA). The

event will take place at the Baiyun International Convention Center in Guangzhou, July 12-13.

For more information, please contact [Ms. Yuan Yuan](#), National Center for International Cooperation in Work Safety.

Welcome to SynergistNOW

The [SynergistNOW](#) blog is the newest member of the growing *Synergist* family. The blog, created and delivered by the American Industrial Hygiene Association, offers ideas, insights, and perspectives on important topics affecting industrial and occupational hygiene professionals, written by and for experienced IH/OHs, researchers, academics, and AIHA leaders.

The Synergist Weekly vs Synergist Newswire: What's the Difference?

The [Synergist Weekly](#), published on Wednesdays, is AIHA's primary vehicle for covering news about the OEHS industry and AIHA. The activities of U.S. government agencies—OSHA, NIOSH, EPA, CSB, among others—and their Canadian and European counterparts are the Weekly's major focus; also included are relevant news and publications from universities, related nonprofits, and research organizations such as IRSST. In addition, the Weekly is where you're most likely to find items about AIHA courses, webinars, conferences, and publications. And every issue of the Weekly features a link to the digital version of an article from the current Synergist.

While all of the content in the [Synergist Weekly](#) originates from AIHA, Synergist Newswire primarily serves as a conduit to coverage of OEHS-related topics by media organizations. A typical issue of Newswire will send readers to articles at Bloomberg BNA about OSHA's forthcoming beryllium rule; at Reuters about EPA's glyphosate review; at the Washington Post about the soon-to-be-finalized reform of the Toxic Substances Control Act; and at CBC.com about Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's stated wish to ban asbestos.

AIHA Debuts Five New Publications at AIHce 2016

AIHA debuted five new publications last week at AIHce 2016 in Inner Harbor Baltimore, Md. The new titles, which are available via the AIHA Marketplace, include:

[The IAQ Investigator's Guide](#), 3rd edition, edited by Ellen C. Gunderson

[Workplace Violence Primer and Guideline for Industrial Hygienists](#) by Thomas P. Fuller, Jonathan Rosen, and Nathan Hartman

[2016 ERPG/WEEL Handbook](#) by the AIHA Emergency Response Planning Committee

[Realizing the Full Business Value of Product Stewardship](#), edited by Allan K. Fleeger

Resale: [Health and Safety for Museum Professionals](#), edited by Catharine Hawks, Michael McCann, Kathryn Makos, Lisa Goldberg, David Hinkamp, Dennis Ertel and Patricia Silence

For more information, please contact [Katie Roberts](#), AIHA Product Development Manager.

Webinar: 35 Years of OSHA and EPA Quantitative Risk Assessments: The Legacy of the Supreme Court's Benzene Decision

2015 marked the 35th anniversary of the Supreme Court case that first found a requirement for quantitative risk assessment (QRA) within the text of a statute that did not mention the term. The *Benzene* case required OSHA to conduct QRA in order to regulate workplace toxicants, and the Court set (vague) numerical bounds on what level of risk could be considered "significant."

The ripple effects from this decision are still being felt, and not only at OSHA. The four speakers in this [Webinar](#) will discuss questions including:

- Does a QRA requirement inevitably weaken and slow OSHA and EPA regulations, or might it be a clear (but unused) path towards stronger protections?

Have OSHA and EPA foregone some of the benefits of setting technology-based (design) standards in their embrace of QRA?

- Does QRA most greatly incentivize toxicologic, epidemiologic, or other research?

Does the kind of QRA the Court intended require traditional cost-benefit balancing, or might it point instead to a rights-based approach to regulating?

For more information, please contact [Jessica Pagel](#), AIHA eLearning Manager.

AIHA 2016 Fall Conference

The [2016 Fall Conference](#) will be held at the Grand Hyatt San Antonio in Texas, from

October 24 to 25. PDCs will be held on October 22, 23, and 26. [Registration](#) will open in July 2016.

For more information, please contact [Erin Breece](#), AIHA Global Education Manager.

Note: National AIHA Fall Conference Chair is Northern California Section's (NCS's) own Robert Bacci, Vice-President, Facilities Operations and Environmental, Health & Safety, Nektar Therapeutics. Fall Conference Committee members also include Ben Heckman and 2015 Fall Conference Chair Chris Laszcz-Davis, both NCS members as well.

AIHA 2016 Fall Conference Partnership Packages

Becoming involved in AIHA's Fall Conference can help you make the important connections needed for business development. AIHA offers [partnership packages](#) specifically for companies that have the desire to further their business, as well as the industrial hygiene and occupational health and safety profession.

For more information on partnership packages, please contact [Holly Klarman](#), Network Media Partners.

Smyth Award Winner Urges Precautionary Approach to Engineered Nanomaterials

During AIHce 2016, Smyth Award recipient, Dr. Michael Ellenbecker, ScD, CIH presented a wide-ranging talk titled [The Challenge of Setting Occupational Exposure Limits for Engineered Nanomaterials](#), which discussed the uncertain toxicology surrounding engineered nanomaterials and his concerns for protecting people and the environment from these exposures, which he said is especially critical when it comes to carbon nanotubes (CNTs).

Presented by the Academy of Industrial Hygiene, the Smyth Award honors individuals who have contributed to the public welfare by recognizing and fulfilling the needs of the industrial hygiene profession.

Call for Public Comment: WEEL Value for Nitroguanidine

The Occupational Alliance for Risk Science (OARS) is accepting public comments on an OARS Workplace Environmental Exposure Level (WEEL) value for nitroguanidine ([PDF](#)). The OARS initiative is managed by Toxicology Excellence for Risk Assessment (TERA). TERA OARS reviews and revises current WEELs, and manages the development of new WEEL values.

According to OARS, nitroguanidine is typically used as a component of triple-base propellants. It's also used commercially as a gas generator in automotive airbags, in anticorrosive phosphate coatings, and in the production of some pharmaceuticals. The recommended WEEL for nitroguanidine is 7 mg/m³ as an 8-hour time-weighted average (TWA).

Comments were due by July 2, 2016. More information on the comment process, including a PDF of the WEEL, is available [online](#).

NPPTL Approves New Configuration for CBRN Full Facepiece Air-purifying Respirator

A [letter](#) from the National Personal Protective Technology Laboratory (NPPTL) notifies respirator users and manufacturers of the most recent interpretation regarding configurations conforming to the Statement of Standard for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) Full Facepiece Air Purifying Respirators (APR). The design requirements of the standard are intended to ensure that replacement air-purifying canisters that meet the standard can be used on any similarly approved facepiece in emergency situations.

Improving Workers' Health Across the Globe: Advancing the Global Plan of Action for Workers' Health

A new [booklet](#) jointly published by NIOSH and the Finnish Institute of Occupational Health (FIOH) describes examples of effective approaches to improving worker safety around the world, particularly in developing nations. The publication discusses efforts to eliminate silicosis in Brazil and Chile; the Asian Asbestos Initiative, an international collaboration that seeks to prevent and eliminate asbestos-related illnesses; an international e-learning project developed to provide Web-based training for work-related medicine; and efforts focused on high-risk industries and vulnerable worker groups, including a project to reduce the harmful effects of pesticides among Ugandan farmers and methods to reduce or eliminate mercury exposures in small-scale gold mining in the Philippines.

NIOSH Introduces New Tool for Skin Exposures during Emergency Response

Naomi Hudson, DrPH, a NIOSH epidemiologist, introduced a new tool for assessing the hazards of skin contact with chemicals during emergency response activities. The DERMaL e-Toolkit—the name is short for Dermal Exposure Risk Management and Logic—is a database of resources intended for emergency responders and OEHS professionals. Each resource was reviewed, rated, and categorized by experts in emergency response.

Available on the [website](#) of the National Institutes for Health, the DERMaL e-Toolkit prompts users to indicate whether they are in the planning phase of an incident, the recovery phase, or the response phase.

NIOSH Sets Agenda for Total Worker Health

In late April, NIOSH launched a ten-year research agenda to advance Total Worker Health (TWH), an agency initiative that seeks to integrate protection from work-related safety and health hazards with promotion of injury and illness prevention. The National Total Worker Health Agenda is geared toward individuals interested in worker safety and health including policy-makers, occupational health and safety practitioners, employers and labor organizations, researchers, healthcare providers, and educators.

For more information, view the [National Total Worker Health Agenda \(2016–2026\)](#).

New NIH-EPA Research Centers to Study Environmental Health Disparities

The National Institutes of Health has partnered with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to fund [five new research centers](#) to improve health in communities overburdened by pollution and other envi-

ronmental factors that contribute to health disparities. Within each center, scientists will partner with community organizations to study these concerns and develop culturally appropriate ways to reduce exposure to harmful environmental conditions. The new centers, funded by five-year grants, are an expansion of a successful pilot program originally started by NIMHD and EPA.

Summer Heat Safety Campaign Begins

OSHA has kicked off its [summer campaign](#) to inform employers and employees about the dangers of working in the heat. The campaign will continue its annual outreach to highlight how heat-related worker fatalities are entirely preventable. In 2014 alone, 2,630 workers suffered from heat illness and 18 died from heat stroke and related causes on the job.

OSHA offers a [heat app](#) available for download. With the OSHA Heat Safety Tool, you have vital safety information available whenever and wherever you need it—right on your mobile phone.

ACGIH News Highlights

ACGIH is officially a 501(c)3!! You will now receive a tax credit when you donate.

ACGIH is launching a survey this fall, seeking feedback on its TLV/BEI Documentation. Please contact Science@ACGIH.org if you do not receive a link to the survey, but wish to participate.

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the Threshold Limit Values - Chemical Substances Committee. In celebration and recognition, ACGIH is developing a TLV/BEI App! They expect to have it fully available in 2017.

The Biological Exposure Indices (BEI) Committee has developed a Certificate Course in Biological Course that will be offered for the first time this fall. More information regarding registration will be available soon.

A new internship program is being launched

this fall to provide experiential and networking opportunities for graduate students in relevant programs.

Three AIHA Past Presidents Lead “Challenge Fund” for Grassroots OHS Project in Bangladesh

Three past presidents of the AIHA - Barbara Dawson, John Henshaw and Zack Mansdorf are leading a fundraising effort to support a grassroots-level occupational safety and health training program in Bangladesh. The project, called the OHS Initiative for Workers and Communities, is a joint effort of six leading non-governmental organizations in Dhaka to train 75 peer trainers on essential OHS topics so that they can reach out to workers in the garment, brick kiln, tannery, ship-breaking and other industries with life-saving information and skills. The Dhaka groups include three labor organizations and women rights, public health, and OHS research/training organizations.

The AIHA past presidents have been joined by Rich Hirsh and David Hornung, leading members of the AIHA International Affairs and Social Concerns Committees, in donating an initial total of \$2,000 toward the OHS Initiative in Dhaka, and in issuing a call to AIHA members and other OHS professionals to join them. The contributions from this fund drive will close the small budget gap to launch the project in 2016, and to provide funds for technical assistance to the OHS Initiative from professionals outside Bangladesh during the three-year start-up period.

All contributions are tax-deductible and every donation - large or small - will go a long way in Bangladesh to increase the OHS knowledge and capacity of grassroots worker organizations. Send donations to: New Ways to Work, PO Box 124, Berkeley, CA 94701. For more information, please contact: garrettdbrown@comcast.net

Local Section Activity

The five Local Sections in California work hard to provide relevant meetings and networking opportunities. Contact the Local Section in your area for information and activities.

[Northern California](#): July 14 - Past-Presidents' Dinner Meeting, 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM, Michael's at Shoreline Restaurant, Mountain View, CA

[Southern California](#): July 14 - Dinner meeting

[Orange County](#): Website currently unavailable.

[San Diego](#): Visit the web page for more information.

[Sacramento Valley](#): August 24 - Social event and tour, Napa Robert Mondavi Winery.

October 4 - Sacramento Safety & Health Summit at the Crowne Plaza Sacramento Northeast, 5321 Date Avenue. The summit is a joint event organized by the local AIHA-SVS and ASSE sections. [Registration](#) is open for this event.

CIHC LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

by Catherine Barankin, CIHC Legislative Advocate

LEGISLATION: With only two weeks of session left before the Legislature breaks for their July summer recess, committees are meeting and deciding on hundreds of bills still remaining active. Although bills must be out of their house of origin by now, a number of them remain in the house where they were introduced because their respective Appropriations Committees decided that their costs were too high. Of the nearly 50 bills originally being monitored, supported or opposed by CIHC, only 15 of them remain active and are moving. Only bill AB 1496 (Thurmond) related to a study to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants in the State has been signed by the Governor. A copy of the current CIHC Legislative Report, showing only active bills, is below.

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<p>AB 1108 AUTHOR: Low [D] TITLE: Beverage Containers: Recycling SUMMARY: Prohibits a certified recycling center from paying the refund value to a consumer for more than a specified weight of aluminum beverage containers or plastic beverage containers or any combination thereof, or a specified weight in glass beverage containers, submitted by the consumer to the certified recycling center in a specified time period. STATUS: 06/08/2016, From SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (4-0) Assigned: Joel Cohen Position: Watch</p>	<p>emissions of short-lived climate pollutants in the State. Requires the State Board to take specified actions and conduct specified analyses with respect to methane emissions. STATUS: 10/08/2015, Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 604 Assigned: Chris Laszcz-Davis, Nola Kennedy Position: Watch</p>
<p>AB 1435 AUTHOR: Alejo [D] TITLE: Hazardous Waste: Toxics: Packaging SUMMARY: Amends the Toxics in Packaging Prevention Act. Provides a similar exemption for a glass beverage, food, or drink container. Requires an evaluation of such packaging to determine if lead, mercury, cadmium or hexavalent chromium is present in such containers sold in the State. Requires, if such substances are found, the evaluation of whether and under what circumstances the metals can leach from the containers into food or beverage and if they are a human health and environmental risk. STATUS: 08/18/2015, In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. Assigned: Ann Graham Position: Possible Support</p>	<p>AB 1776 AUTHOR: Obernolte [R] TITLE: Hazardous Waste: Disposal: Exemption SUMMARY: Excludes from the definition of the term disposal the onsite movement of soil at an active outdoor sport shooting range if this movement is done to facilitate the removal and recycling of spent ammunition materials existing on the site as a result of the normal use of the shooting range, the activities at the range are consistent with a specified manual, and the residual soil is replaced within the area from which was originally removed. STATUS: 05/05/2016, To SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY. Assigned: Joel Berman Position: Possible Support</p>
<p>AB 1496 AUTHOR: Thurmond [D] TITLE: Methane Emissions SUMMARY: Amends existing law that establishes the State Air Resources Board as the State agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases and requires the State Board to complete a comprehensive study to reduce</p>	<p>AB 1904 AUTHOR: Wiik [R] TITLE: Hazardous Materials: Natural Gas Odorants SUMMARY: Requires the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment to submit a report to the Legislature which includes an assessment of the danger of odorants currently used in natural gas storage facilities in the state to public health and safety and the environment, and that identifies alternative odorants for possible use in natural gas storage facilities. STATUS: 06/09/2016, To SENATE Committee on RULES. Assigned: Grace Rinck Position: Pending</p>

AB 1937 AUTHOR: Gomez [D]

TITLE: Electricity: Procurement

SUMMARY: Requires electrical corporations proposed procurement plans to include a showing the corporations, in soliciting bids for gas-fired generation resources for new or repowered facilities, actively seek bids for resources that are not gas-fired generation resources located in or adjacent to communities that suffer from cumulative pollution burdens and other environmental impacts or bids for, new repowered resources to give priority to generation resources located in or adjacent to those communities.

STATUS: 06/14/2016, From SENATE Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS with author's amendments. 06/14/2016, In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Assigned: Chris Laszcz-Davis, Nola Kennedy

Position: Watch

AB 2153 AUTHOR: Garcia [D]

TITLE: Lead Acid Battery Recycling Act

SUMMARY: Establishes the Used Lead-Acid Battery Recycling Act. Requires a acceptance of lead-acid batteries of the same type and size sold by a dealer, no matter the brand name or original dealer. Requires the collection of a refundable deposit for each such battery purchased without a trade-in of a used battery. Provides for a refund of the deposit with a battery trade-in within a specified time period. Requires a fee for each such battery sold for placement into the Lead-Acid Battery Cleanup Fund.

STATUS: 06/09/2016, To SENATE Committees on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY and JUDICIARY.

Assigned: Richard Hirsh

Position: Support

AB 2272 AUTHOR: Thurmond [D]

TITLE: Occupational Safety and Health Standards: Plume

SUMMARY: Requires the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board to adopt standards to protect health personnel and patients from plume, defined as noxious airborne contaminants generated as byproducts of the use of specific devices during surgical, diagnostic, or therapeutic procedures.

STATUS: 06/14/2016, From SENATE Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS with author's amendments. 06/14/2016, In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS.

Assigned: Erica Stewart, Gus Ballis, Howard Spielman, Steve Derman

Position: Watch

AB 2895 AUTHOR: Hernandez R [D]

TITLE: Employee Safety: Injury Prevention Programs

SUMMARY: Requires every employer to establish, implement, and maintain an effective injury prevention program. Requires the program to be written and to include certain elements. Requires the employer to identify a person responsible for implementing the

program and to correct unsafe and unhealthy conditions and work practices. Requires a injury prevention program. Provides a time frame for furnishing the program to a current employee. Makes a violation an infraction and entitles an employee to recover a penalty.

STATUS: 06/14/2016, From SENATE Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS with author's amendments. 06/14/2016, In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS.

Assigned: Ed Klinenberg, Howard Spielman

Position: Amend

SB 32 AUTHOR: Pavley [D]

TITLE: Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Emissions Limit

SUMMARY: Requires the State Air Resources Board to approve a specified statewide greenhouse gas emissions limits that are the equivalent to a specified percentage below the 1990 level to be achieved by 2030.

STATUS: 06/10/2016, From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES with author's amendments. 06/10/2016,

In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

Position: Watch

SB 763 AUTHOR: Leno [D]

TITLE: Juvenile Products: Flame Retardant Chemicals

SUMMARY: Provides requirements for labeling products as to the flame retarded chemical content for everyday sales and Internet and catalog sales, and requirements for manufacturers and suppliers of juvenile products to retain related documentation as to the product retardant content. Requires providing accurate documentation as to accuracy of the retardant content. Authorizes fines for mislabeling. Exempts certain articles of juvenile products under the Home Furnishings and Thermal Insulation Act.

STATUS: 09/04/2015, In ASSEMBLY. From third reading. To Inactive File.

Assigned: Stephen Derman

Position: Watch

SB 820 AUTHOR: Hertzberg [D]

TITLE: Hazardous Materials: Land Reuse and Revitalization Act

SUMMARY: Extends the repeal date of the Land Reuse and Revitalization Act of 2004, which provides that an innocent landowner, bona fide purchaser, or contiguous property owner qualifies for immunity from certain state statutory and common laws for pollution conditions caused by a release of a hazardous material. Provides that a person who qualifies for immunity under the Act shall continue to have immunity if the person continues to be in compliance with the requirements of the former Act.

STATUS: 06/14/2016, From ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS: Do pass to Committee on JUDICIARY. (7-0)

Assigned: Gus Ballis
Position: Possible Support

SB 1167 AUTHOR: Leyva [D]

TITLE: Employment Safety: Indoor Workers: Heat Regulations
SUMMARY: Requires the Division of Occupational Safety and Health to propose to the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board, a heat illness and injury prevention standard applicable to indoor workers.
STATUS: 06/09/2016, To ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.

Assigned: Joel Cohen, Nola Kennedy, Pam Murcell
Position: Amend

SB 1246 AUTHOR: Nguyen [R]

TITLE: Pesticides: Aerial Spraying
SUMMARY: Requires pest control operators, pest control businesses, and mosquito abatement and vector control districts to notify various people and entities, affected governmental agencies, school districts and chambers of commerce prior to administering pesticides by aircraft or unmanned aircraft systems over a residential area, except as specified due to the presence of an emergency outbreak that threatens the public health or other circumstances that warrant an immediate response.
STATUS: 04/20/2016, In SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY: Not heard.

Assigned: Gus Ballis
Position: Watch

SB 1325 AUTHOR: De Leon [D]

TITLE: Hazardous Waste: Facilities: Postclosure Plans
SUMMARY: Restores the authority of the Department of Toxic Substances Control impose specified requirements regarding hazardous waste facility postclosure plans through an enforcement order or an enforcement agreement. Requires the Department to adopt regulations to impose postclosure plan requirements.
STATUS: 06/06/2016, To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.

Assigned: Gus Ballis
Position: Possible Support

SB 1453 AUTHOR: De Leon [D]

TITLE: Greenhouse Gases Emission Performance Standard
SUMMARY: Requires the Public Utilities Commission to review any capital expenditure proposed by an electrical corporation for baseload generation that does not comply with the greenhouse gases emission performance standard established by the Commission and to not permit those cost to be recovered in rates.
STATUS: 06/06/2016, To ASSEMBLY Committee on UTILITIES AND COMMERCE.

Assigned: Chris Laszcz-Davis, Nola Kennedy
Position: Watch

