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ATTACHMENT A

The following is a recap of the positions our Board of Supervisors took on Assembly Bills, Senate Bills, and other Initiatives / Special Requests during the 2023-2024 California State Legislative cycle, including the outcomes.

Assembly Bills, 2023-2024 Legislative Session:

Assembly Bill / Author	Bill Title / Brief Summary	Solano County BOS Position	Governor's Action
1588, Wilson (D)	State and Federal Lifeline Program, Expedited Process / PUC requires telecommunication companies to speed up offering broadband service as part of the state or federal lifeline program	SUPPORT	Died in Senate Appropriations, Suspense File
1957, Wilson (D)	Public Contracts, Best Value Construction / Allow all CA Counties to use best value construction contracting methods to award contracts for repairs, remodeling, and repetitive work projects	SUPPORT / SPONSOR	Signed by the Governor
2079, Bennett (D)	Groundwater Extraction, Large-Diameter, High-Capacity Wells, Permits / Permanently expand Governor's executive order to place additional requirements on permitting large-diameter, high-capacity wells, taking away local (County) control	OPPOSE	Died in Senate Natural Resources and Water, Suspense File
2265, McCarty (D)	Animals, Euthanasia / Require agencies to post a daily list of any cat or dog scheduled for euthanasia on their website or Facebook and a physical notice on the kennel up to 72 hours before a scheduled euthanasia but no later than 24 hours before a scheduled euthanasia	OPPOSE	Died on Assembly Appropriations, Suspense File
2561, McKinnor (D)	Local Public Employees, Vacant Positions / Requires agencies with bargaining unit vacancy rates exceeding 10% for more than 180 days to produce, implement, and publish a plan to reduce their vacancy rates to 0% within 180 days, as well as present this plan during a public hearing and publish online for at least one year	OPPOSE	Signed by the Governor
2882, McCarty (D)	California Community Corrections Performance Incentives / Add representatives from the community and give department heads of the 3 represented departments voting powers based on the number of departments they represent, as well as host an outcomes page on the BOS website	OPPOSE	Died on Senate Appropriations, Suspense File

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Senate Bills, 2023-2024 Legislative Session:

Senate Bill / Author	Bill Title / Brief Summary	Solano County BOS Position	Governor's Action
1057, Menjivar (D)	Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council / Revise and recast membership provisions to JJCC, requiring each county JJCC to consist of at least 50% community representatives, an at-promise youth, a person with experience in the juvenile court system or a system-impacted family member, and the selection of two cochairs, at least one community representative	OPPOSE	Died on Assembly Appropriations, Suspense File
1124, Menjivar (D)	Deceptive Practices, Service Members and Veterans / Prohibit a person from directly or indirectly soliciting, contracting for, charging, or receiving, or attempting to solicit, contract for, charge, or receive, any fee or compensation with respect to the preparation, presentation, or prosecution of any claim for benefits under the laws administered by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and doing so a misdemeanor	SUPPORT	Died on Assembly Appropriations, Suspense File
1159, Dodd (D)	CEQA, Roadside Wildfire Reduction Projects / Require Natural Resources Agency to consider granting a CEQA exemption to roadside vegetation management projects for wildfire risk reduction, expediting these projects could reduce the possibility of roadside fires and improve evacuation routes, etc.	SUPPORT	Died on Assembly Appropriations, Suspense File
1179, Durazo (D)	Affordable Internet and Net Equality Act of 2024 / Require the State Department of Technology, Public Utilities Commission and Department of General Services, to only enter a procurement with an internet service provider offering affordable home internet service to households participating in certain public assistance programs, and define affordable home internet as costing no more than \$30/month	SUPPORT	Died in Senate Governmental Organization

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Legislative Interest / Requested Action: Solano County Board of Supervisors / Departments	Solano County BOS Position	Governor's Action / Result
The BOS, on behalf of Public Health, urges Governor to adopt legislative budget package that maintains \$300M general fund investment in state/local Public Health workforce and infrastructure	ADOPT	Incorporated as part of the final budget agreement
The BOS, on behalf of Child Support Services (CSS), H&SS and Public Health, express concerns with Governor's budget proposal to shift \$13M in Child Health and Disability Prevention budget to the Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care, impacting CSS staffing and existing programs and services	CONCERNS	Adopted as part of the final budget agreement, but with provisional language to provide County flexibility on fund use and reporting of County expenditures during the budget year
The BOS, on behalf of the County, oppose CA Initiative 1935, Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act of 2024, which would revise the California Constitution to restrict the ability of the state, local governments, and the electorate to approve or collect taxes, fees, and other revenues. Passage would greatly harm the ability for local governments, including here in Solano County, to deliver vital public services, among other things	OPPOSE	Removed from the ballot by the California Supreme Court in June 2024
The BOS, on behalf of H&SS, oppose the Governor's proposed budget cuts of \$400M to the CalWORKs program, permanently eliminating all funding for some specific services, jeopardizing the County's ability to administer CalWORKs programs and services	OPPOSE	Proposed cuts were largely restored in the Legislature's final budget agreement

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Legislative Interest / Requested Action: Solano County Board of Supervisors / Departments	Solano County BOS Position	Governor's Action / Result
The BOS, on behalf of CSS, oppose the State's May 29, 2024, joint legislative proposal to reduce \$29.4M in funding for California's Local Child Support Agencies, which would have a significant impact on the County's ability to provide the staffing and services to the families served in Solano County	OPPOSE	Cuts only reduced to \$6 million in FY 2023-24, FY2024-25, and FY 2025-26
The BOS, on behalf of Public Health, strongly reject the Governor's proposal to eliminate \$300M of ongoing General Fund Future of Public Health investment, which the department relies on to help fund and rebuild a workforce of 20 highly skilled positions that play an essential role in keeping the community safe, most recently during the COVID-19 pandemic health emergency	REJECT	Proposed cuts were rejected by the Legislature and funding was restored in the final budget agreement
The BOS, on behalf of H&SS and Public Health, request the reallocation of unexpected funds for Support for Vital Health Activities to establish and enhance local health department capacity and infrastructure to meet new requirements as part of the CA Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal Population Health Management Strategy	REQUEST FOR REAPPROPRIATED FUNDING	DHCS budget was not reappropriated specific to this ask, however, the final budget agreement provides 7 positions ongoing and \$16.5 million in reimbursements of one-time funds to continue the development of an information technology-based Medi-Cal billing system to support the implementation of CalAIM programming
The BOS, representing Solano County in the Sacramento River Basin, supports agreements to Support Healthy Rivers and Landscapes and the associated benefits to communities, farms, businesses, the environment, and the public	SUPPORT	This topic remains ongoing – with some individual projects have been approved
The BOS, supports the Governor's request to restore funding to the CalWORKs, Child Welfare Services and Adult Protection Services budget, emphasizing the funds will go to restore safety net services essential to children, families and older adults in Solano County	SUPPORT	Cuts largely restored in the final budget agreement

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