

CALIFORNIA NATURAL GAS VEHICLE COALITION
Legislative Report: October 6, 2008

Bill	Summary	Latest Action
CA AB 109 Nunez (D) 2 Year Bill	Air Pollution: Alternative Fuels and Vehicle Technology Requires implementation of the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program. Provides a public competitive process for fund allocation. Adds feedstock cultivation to the full fuel-cycle assessment. Expands the Air Quality Improvement Program to fund projects to achieve air quality improvements and greenhouse gas emissions reductions. Makes memoranda of understanding projects ineligible for funding. Authorizes research awards to the Quiet Motorized Road Vehicle and Safe Mobility Committee.	9/26/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 313
CA AB 444 Hancock (D) 2 Year Bill DEAD	Congestion Management: Vehicle Registration Fees Authorizes the county congestion management agency in the counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Santa Clara, and Solano to impose an annual fee on motor vehicles registered within the county for programs and projects for certain purposes. Requires voter approval of the measure. Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles, if requested, to collect and distribute the fee to the agency. Provides the fees may be used only for programs and projects bearing a benefit to the owners of the vehicle paying the fee.	6/28/2007 • Held in SEN Revenue and Taxation Committee.
CA AB 712 De Leon (D) 2 Year Bill DEAD	Solid Waste and Recycling Vehicle Clean Air Program Creates a fee for solid waste disposal at a disposal facility. Creates the Off-Road Solid Waste and Recycling Vehicle Clean Air Account. Distributes the fees to an operator of an off-road solid waste, composting, and recycling vehicle for the costs of complying with a certain State Air Resources Board regulation. Awards grants for projects that divert organic materials from disposal in order to reduce greenhouse gas emission from landfills. Requires the board to provide specified related reports.	7/12/2007 • Held in SEN Appropriations Committee.
CA AB 746 Krekorian (D) 2 Year Bill DEAD	Energy Conservation Assistance Extends the operation of provisions that require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to administer the State Energy Conservation Assistance Account to provide grants and loans to local governments and public institutions to maximize energy use savings and also enter into agreements with the University of California, State University, the Community Colleges, and the Department of Education to expend specified funds for certain purposes relating to energy conservation.	8/4/2008 • Held in SEN Rules Committee.
CA AB 1209 Karnette (D) 2 Year Bill	Vehicles: HOV Lanes Authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue additional distinctive decals, labels, or other identifiers for certain hybrid or alternative fuel vehicles that satisfy specified conditions that would allow those vehicles to use high-occupancy vehicle lanes.	9/27/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 429
CA AB 1807 Fuentes (D) DEAD	Renewable Electric Generation Facilities: Tariffs Requires every electrical corporation to file with the Public Utilities Commission a standard feed-in tariff for the electricity generated by a renewable electric generation facility that is an eligible renewable energy resource and meets other size, deliverability, and interconnection requirements. Requires the electrical corporation to make the feed-in tariff available to any customer of the electrical corporation. Requires the commission to develop a base rate methodology.	3/28/2008 • Held in ASM Utilities and Commerce Committee.
CA AB 1851 Nava (D) DEAD	Greenhouse Gas Credits Makes it unlawful to represent in an advertisement or in any other sales or promotional materials made available to the public, for the sale of a greenhouse gas credit or emission reduction, that the credit or reduction reduces emissions unless certain requirements are met. Requires the maintenance of certain information and documentation supporting the validity of the representation. Provides a civil penalty for violation. Creates a civil cause of action.	8/22/2008 • ASM Inactive File
CA AB 1920 Huffman (D) DEAD	Solar and Wind Generating: Net Metering Expands definition of eligible customer-generator to include customers that generate electricity using an eligible renewable energy resource that meets requirements for solar and wind generation. Requires a ratemaking authority to adopt a net surplus electricity compensation valuation applicable to any eligible customer generator. Provides net surplus belongs to the utility. Requires a standard contract or tariff to eligible customer-generators. Requires such surplus to count towards utility's portfolio.	8/4/2008 • Held in SEN Rules Committee.
CA AB 1954 Jeffries (R)	High-Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes Relates to high-occupancy toll (HOT) lanes. Authorizes a value pricing and transit program involving HOT lanes to be developed and operated on State Highway Route 15 in Riverside County by the Riverside County Transportation Commission. Requires the Commission and	9/27/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 421

	the Department of Transportation to implement the program pursuant to a cooperative agreement. Authorizes the Commission to impose tolls and issue revenue bonds for the project. Authorizes the uses of the toll revenues.	
CA AB 2009 Hernandez (D)	Utility User Taxes: Exemption Amends existing law that authorizes a county board of supervisors to levy a utility user tax on the consumption of in the unincorporated area of the county. Provides that no utility user tax shall be imposed upon compressed natural gas within a local jurisdiction if that natural gas is dispensed by a gas compressor that is separately metered and dedicated to serve the local agency or public transit operator.	8/1/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 221
CA AB 2176 Caballero (D)	Energy: Federal Block Grants Amends the Federal Independence and Security Act of 2007 which provides energy efficiency and conservation block grants to states and authorizes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to apply for and accept grants. Requires the commission to administer funds received by the state and would require a certain percentage of the funds received to be used to provide subgrants to cities and counties. Requires the remaining funds to entities eligible under the act.	8/1/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 229
CA AB 2179 Furutani (D)	Air Quality: Diesel Fuel Requires all vehicles owned or leased by an entity of the state on or after a specified date, that require diesel fuel to operate to use renewable biomass-based diesel fuel as determined by the State Air Resources Board, if certain requirements are met. Requires the board to develop sustainability criteria for renewable biomass-based diesel fuel meeting specified requirements.	8/18/2008 • VETOED
CA AB 2240 Tran (R) DEAD	Diesel Fuel Tax: Exemption: Biodiesel Amends the Diesel Fuel Tax Law. Exempts from the imposition of the diesel fuel tax biomass-based diesel produced in the state with in-state feedstock. Requires the State Resources Conservation and Development Commission to provide oversight and make an annual report in connection therewith.	4/29/2008 • Held in ASM Revenue and Taxation and Committee.
CA AB 2316 Ruskin (D) DEAD	Motor Vehicles: Greenhouse Gas Emission Reductions Requires the Milton Marks "Little Hoover" Commission on State Government Organization and Economy to conduct a study and make recommendations to the Legislature the consolidation, improvement, and greenhouse gas emissions reduction contributions of existing vehicle retirement programs.	4/7/2008 • Held in ASM Appropriations Committee.
CA AB 2332 Furutani (D) DEAD	Location or Expansion of Railyards Near Schools Prohibit the construction or expansion of any railyard if the construction is within 440 yards of a school or the expansion will result in the railyard being within 440 yards of a school. Prohibits a railyard that, on a specified date, is located within 440 yards of a school from expanding those facilities that are within 440 yards of the school.	4/8/2008 • Failed Passage in ASM Transportation Committee. Reconsideration Granted.
CA AB 2403 Smyth (R)	Department of Transportation: Vehicle Procurement Authorizes the Department of Transportation to purchase and equip heavy mobile fleet vehicles and special equipment by means of best value procurement, subject to an annual amount limitation. Requires the department to report to the Legislature with regard to this process.	9/28/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 495
CA AB 2522 Arambula (D)	San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control Authorizes the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District to increase a fee charged on motor vehicles for incentive-based programs to achieve surplus emissions reductions. Requires the state Air Resources Board to assess the use of these fees in achieving and maintaining state and federal ambient air quality standards.	9/30/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 677
CA AB 2546 De La Torre (D) DEAD	Air Toxics Hot Spots Information and Assessment Act Relates to existing law which requires the State Air Resources Board to compile a list of substances that present a chronic or acute threat to public health when present in the ambient air and which requires a facility to submit to an air district a proposed comprehensive emissions inventory plan. Revises the definition of air release or release to include mobile source emissions at a railyard and makes other conforming and clarifying changes.	5/23/2008 • Held in SEN Appropriations Committee.
CA AB 2560 Lieu (D)	Medium and Heavy Duty Motor Vehicles Amends the Enhanced Efficiency Costing Methodology for Passenger Cars and Light-Duty Vehicles to require the Department of General Services, in conjunction with the State Air Resources Board and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to apply the same criteria established for passenger cars and light duty vehicles to medium and heavy duty vehicles. Relates to department procurement requirements for such vehicles. Requires the department to consider the Low Carbon Fuel Standard.	8/11/2008 • VETOED

CA AB 2617 Duvall (R)	High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes Makes technical, nonsubstantive changes to existing law that authorizes the establishment of highway lanes for the exclusive or preferential use of high-occupancy vehicles and motorcycles. Requires the Department of Transportation or the local authority, where a motorcycle is permitted upon such lanes to ensure that signs advertising such use are in place along the HOV lanes of the highways under their jurisdictions, to place and maintain these signs, and to comply with placement of signs or decals.	8/11/2008 • VETOED
CA AB 2625 Strickland (R) DEAD	Biodiesel Amends existing law that exempts developmental engine fuels authorized by the Department of Food and Agriculture from restrictions on sales. Defines biodiesel and renewable diesel for these purposes.	4/7/2008 • Held in ASM Transportation Committee.
CA AB 2645 Nunez (D) DEAD	Air Pollution: Alternative Fuels and Vehicle Provides that the fuel blend criteria does not apply only to renewable diesel infrastructure, fueling stations, and equipment. Provides specified life cycle and multimedia analysis as eligible projects under the Alternative and Renewable Fuel Technology Program. Recasts the definition of full fuel cycle assessment or life cycle assessment to additionally include when specified activities feedstock cultivations. Fuel manufacturing and marketing.	Introduced 2/22/2008 • Held in SEN Transportation and Housing Committee.
CA AB 2865 De Leon (D) DEAD	Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Amends the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program. Provides that State Air Resources Board is responsible for the management of the program, and is authorized to reserve up to 20% of program funds available each year to directly fund any project that is multidistrict in nature.	Introduced 2/22/2008 • Held in ASM Transportation Committee.
CA AB 2906 Tran (R)	Vehicles: High-Occupancy Vehicle Lane: Buffer Area Repeals existing law that requires specified high occupancy vehicle lanes to be separated from adjacent mixed flow lanes by a buffer area of at least 4 feet in width.	6/6/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 27.
CA AB 2962 Furutani (D) DEAD	Vehicular Air Pollution Control: Civil Penalties Makes a technical, nonsubstantive change the penalty provisions of the State Air Resources Board.	Introduced 2/22/2008 • INTRODUCED.
CA AB 2963 Furutani (D)	Neighborhood Electric Vehicles Amends existing law that authorizes the Cities of Lincoln and Rocklin in Placer County to establish a neighborhood electric vehicles transportation plan that enables these low-speed vehicles to travel, among other things, on or along various roadways. Extends the termination date applicable to these NEV provisions.	7/22/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 199.
CA AB 3039 Benoit (R) DEAD	High-Occupancy Vehicle Lanes Requires the Department of Transportation at the request of a county transportation commission or a regional transportation planning agency to modify existing exclusive or preferential lanes that are for buses and other high-occupancy vehicles within the respective jurisdiction of the requesting entity to provide continuous access to buses and other high-occupancy vehicles. Encourages the Department to move these modifications in conjunction with planned restriping projects.	Introduced 2/22/2008 • Held in ASM Transportation Committee.
CA SB 9 Lowenthal (D) 2 Year Bill DEAD	Trade Corridor Improvement: Transportation Project Relates to Trade Corridor Improvement Transportation Fund projects. Establishes a process to be administered by the State Transportation Commission for allocation of fund moneys. Establishes the corridors eligible for funding. Establishes criteria for project selection based on improvement of mobility of freight and improvement of air quality. Requires projects to be ready for construction by a specified date. Provides for allocations to projects outside of the trade corridors.	08/20/2007 • Held in ASM Appropriations Committee.
CA SB 19 Lowenthal (D) 2 Year Bill DEAD	Trade Corridor: Projects to Reduce Emissions: Goods Relates to the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006. Requires the Air Resources Board to implement the Goods Movement Emission Reduction Program and to adopt guidelines and funding criteria for the program. Creates eligibility requirements for funding pursuant to this program. Creates the Goods Movement Emission Reduction Fund to be funded with bond proceeds.	07/17/2007 • Held in ASM Appropriations Committee.
CA SB 463 Negrete McLeod (D) 2 Year Bill	Energy: Biogas Digester Customer-Generator Relates to existing law that provides if the electricity generated by the eligible biogas digester customer-generator exceeds the electricity supplied by an electrical corporation over a specified period, the customer-generator is a net electricity producer and the	05/01/2007 • Held in ASM Utilities and Commerce Committee.

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CA SB 494 Kehoe (D) 2 Year Bill DEAD	Vehicular Air Pollution Control: Clean Alternative Relates to vehicular air pollution control. Requires the Air Resources Board to develop and adopt regulations that will ensure that an unspecified percentage of new passenger vehicles and light-duty trucks sold in the state each year are clean alternative vehicles, and that commencing by a specified date, a percentage of new passenger vehicles and light-duty trucks sold in the state each year are clean alternative vehicles.	06/26/2007 • Held in ASM Transportation Committee.
CA SB 974 Lowenthal (D) 2 Year Bill	Ports: Congestion Relief: Air Pollution Mitigation: Fee Requires the ports of Los Angeles, Long Beach, and Oakland to collect a user fee from the owner of container cargo moving through their ports. Requires those ports to transmit a portion of those fees to specified funds for expenditure on projects improving the flow of container cargo and to mitigate air pollution caused by the movement of container cargo by commercial motor vehicles, oceangoing vessels, and rail.	7/14/2008 • VETOED
CA SB 1143 Dutton (R) DEAD	Vehicles: HOV lanes Makes a technical, nonsubstantive change to existing law that authorizes local authorities and the Department of Transportation to establish use of highway lanes for high-occupancy vehicles.	Introduced 2/4/2008 • Held in SEN Rules Committee.
CA SB 1195 Battin (R) DEAD	Air Resources Board: Motor Vehicle Emissions Makes technical, nonsubstantive changes to existing law that requires the State Air Resources Board to adopt and implement motor vehicle emissions standards, in-use performance standards, and motor vehicle fuel specifications for the control of air contaminants and sources of air pollution.	Introduced 2/12/2008 • Held in SEN Rules Committee.
CA SB 1374 Battin (R) DEAD	Vehicles: HOV Lanes Removes the cap on the number of distinctive decals, labels and other identifiers that would allow certain low-emission and hybrid vehicles to use a high occupancy vehicle lane; requires the Department of Motor vehicles to make available distinctive decals, labels and other identifiers for vehicles that have received an approved offset for their carbon dioxide emission when the federal government acts to approve the use of high-occupancy vehicle lanes by such vehicles.	4/14/2008 • Held in SEN Transportation and Housing Committee.
CA SB 1484 Alquist (D) DEAD	Taxes: Oil Producers: Credits: Clean Energy Technology Relates to the Personal Income Tax and Corporation Income Tax law which allow various credits and deductions to taxpayers engaged in the business of oil production. Disallows those credits and deductions allowed to taxpayers engaged in the business of oil production for specified tax years. Allows, for specified taxable years, a credit to a qualified taxpayer, for a percentage of the qualified costs related to clean energy technology.	5/6/2008 • Held in SEN Revenue and Taxation Committee.
CA SB 1506 Alquist (D) DEAD	Zero Emission Vehicles Prohibits the State Air Resources Board from crediting a manufacturer towards meeting any zero-emission vehicle production mandates created under the Zero-Emission Vehicle Program, adopted by the state board, for the production of vehicles that are not zero-emission vehicles.	4/16/2008 • Held in SEN Rules Committee.
CA SB 1646 Padilla (D)	South Coast Air Quality Management District Extends the authority of the South Coast Air Quality Management District to impose a specified fee on the renewal of registration of any motor vehicle in the district indefinitely, and would require no more than a specified percentage of funds in the account be used for administrative purposes.	9/30/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 724
CA SB 1720 Lowenthal (D)	Clean Air Sticker: Misuse: Penalties Provides penalties for the misuse of a Clean Air Sticker.	9/27/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 417
CA SB 1754 Kehoe (D)	Energy: Alternative Energy Financing Authority Authorizes the Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority to purchase alternative source energy or projects for sale to certain parties and to make a loan to a participating party to purchase alternative source energy or projects. Requires the authority to ensure that a financed project is limited to resources that the authority determines support the state's greenhouse mitigation goals. Provides that certain bond funded projects are subject to requirements of public works projects.	9/28/2008 • Signed by the Governor. CHAPTER 543

