

## **APA California Full Bill List**

Every year, the Legislature introduces around 2000 + bills on average and APA California tracks several by creating a comprehensive list of bills that serves as a resource for members to stay up to date with what the Chapter is tracking and includes summaries, status updates and direct links to language for bills of interest to planners.

### **Tips to keep in mind while reviewing the list:**

#### **Scope**

The full list includes all bills that could have an impact on planners, some more directly than others.

#### **Positions**

While most bills will indicate a “watch position”, the list notes those under “review” and those we have taken positions on. APA California takes positions on several bills each year and even when a position is not indicated, are often providing technical feedback. Because of the volume of planning related legislation introduced each year, we do not take position on every bill. Instead, we focus on those that will have the broadest impact to planners and are likely to move during the legislative session or will join coalitions to support a particular issue that aligns with the Chapter’s policy priorities.

#### **Deadlines**

There are several important deadlines bills must meet to continue to move during Session. For more information on these deadlines, please see the [legislative schedule](#) for each year.

#### **“Two-Year” Bills**

The California State Legislature convenes in two-year sessions. Bills introduced in the first year of Session can be carried over to the second year of the Session, in most cases.

#### **“Spot” Bills**

Bills indicated as a “spot” means that there’s no actual legislative language included in the bill at this time. The author has introduced it as a place holder and often times, does not end up moving forward with a bill amending the code section that is referenced. In some cases, there is legislative intent language to preview what the bill will likely address, once amended.