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South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce Holds Elected Officials Accountable

The 2009 Vote Record: SBACC tracked votes on 18 Potential Laws for Senator Alan Lowenthal, Senator Jenny Oropeza, Senator Roderick D. Wright, Assembly Member Ted Lieu, Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani, Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal and Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford

In 2009, SBACC approved positions on 18 potential laws (bills) that impact over 53,000 businesses throughout the South Bay region. Regional legislators received letters communicating the positions on all 18 bills. The SBACC lobbied during the 2009 legislative session for our legislators to OPPOSE 7 bills and SUPPORT 11 bills.

“We continue to work with our legislators in the hopes that the South Bay regional business community will be protected from harmful legislation” stated Marcella Low, SBACC Chair. “By releasing these vote records, we can demonstrate how our elected officials voted with SBACC and can continue to hold them accountable. As we move into the final year of a two-year session, we will once again communicate our position on pieces of legislation that may impact the regional business community in the South Bay,” Low continued.

The SBACC’s official positions on each of the 18 bills have been available online at www.SBACC.com including summaries and explanations of why the SBACC opposed and supported each of the 18 bills.

To reach the “percentage FOR pro-jobs legislation,” the SBACC tallied the number of times our legislators voted for the SBACC’s position and divided that total by the total number of potential new laws in which each legislator voted. A potential new law is not figured into the vote record percentage if a legislator, for whatever reason, did not vote or if the potential new laws died before the legislator had an opportunity to vote.

Log on for more information: www.SBACC.com for a complete list of the 2009 Vote Record.

Summary of Votes

	FOR pro-jobs legislation	AGAINST jobs legislation	Percentage FOR pro-jobs legislation
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	5	2	71%
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	4	2	67%
State Senator Roderick D. Wright*	6	1	86%
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	6	2	75%
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	4	1	80%
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	4	2	67%
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford**	1	0	100%
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	5	1	83%

**The SBACC recently began the process of communicating its positions on the potential laws with Senator Roderick D. Wright. Therefore, his vote record is included for informational purposes only.*

***Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford was elected on September 1, 2009 in a special election and had minimal opportunities to vote on legislation.*

2009 Vote Record – In Depth

Not voting = Elected official did not vote.

N/A = Potential new law died before elected official had an opportunity to vote or in the case of the Governor the potential new law did not reach his desk.

South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce 2009 Vote Records

AB 28 Jeffries (R) Natural Gas Engines: Water Movement: Emissions

SBACC Position	Support
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	N/A
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	N/A
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

AB 31 Price (D) Public Contracts: Small Business Procurement Act

SBACC Position	Support
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	Support
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	Support
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	Support
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	Support
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	Support
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	Support
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	SIGNED

AB 68 Brownley (D) Solid Waste: Single-Use Carryout Bags

SBACC Position	Oppose
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	N/A
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	N/A
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

AB 87 Davis (D) Single Use Carryout Bags

SBACC Position	Oppose
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	N/A
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	N/A
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

AB 89 Torlakson (D) Taxation: Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products

SBACC Position	Oppose
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	N/A
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	N/A
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

AB 109 Feuer (D) Outdoor Advertising

SBACC Position	Oppose
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	N/A
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	Oppose
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

AB 793 Jones (D) Employment: Discrimination

SBACC Position	Oppose
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	Support
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	Support
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	Support
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	Support
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	Support
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	Support
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	VETOED

AB 804 Hall (D) Invasive Aquatic Species: Mussels

SBACC Position	Support
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	Support
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	Support
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	Support
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	Support
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	Support
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	Support
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	VETOED

AB 1000 Ma (D) Employment: Paid Sick Days

SBACC Position	Oppose
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	N/A
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	Support
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	Not Voting
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

AB 1107 Blakeslee (R) Environmental Protection Agency: Rules: Analysis

SBACC Position	Support
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	N/A
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	N/A
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

ACA 8 Jeffries (R) Meetings of the Legislature

SBACC Position	Support
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	N/A
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	N/A

Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

SB 24 Oropeza (D) Grand Theft: Cargo

SBACC Position	Support
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	Support
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	Support
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	Support
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	Support
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	Support
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	Support
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	SIGNED

SB 39 Benoit (R) Personal Liability Immunity: Disaster Service Workers

SBACC Position	Support
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	Support
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	Not Voting
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	Support
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	Support
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	Support
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	Support
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	SIGNED

SB 287 Calderon R (D) Meal Periods

SBACC Position	Support
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	N/A
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	N/A
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

SB 356 Wright (D) Regulations: Small Businesses

SBACC Position	Support
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	Not Voting
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	N/A
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

SB 600 Padilla (D) Cigarette and Tobacco Products Taxes

SBACC Position	Oppose
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	N/A
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	Support
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	N/A
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	N/A
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

SB 696 Wright (D) South Coast Air Quality Management District: CEQA*

SBACC Position	Support
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State Senator Alan Lowenthal	Support
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	Not Voting
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	Support
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	N/A
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	N/A
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	N/A
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	N/A
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	N/A

SB 827 Wright (D) South Coast Air Quality Management District: CEQA

SBACC Position	Support
State Senator Alan Lowenthal	Oppose
State Senator Jenny Oropeza	Support
State Senator Roderick D. Wright	Support
Assembly Member Ted Lieu	Support
Assembly Member Warren T. Furutani	Not Voting
Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal	Oppose
Assembly Member Steven C. Bradford	Support
Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger	SIGNED

***The original bill was supported. The original bill language was transferred to SB 827.**