

**LEGISLATIVE HIGHLIGHTS
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION
March 6, 2014**

Bill Number/Author	Status
AB 1448 (Mullin)	Newly Introduced 1/7/14
<p>Prohibition on Lifetime Healthcare Benefits for Part-Time Local Elected Officials. Prohibits the legislative or governing body of a city, county, city and county, school board, special district, or other local government entity from granting lifetime healthcare benefits to an elected official who serves on a part-time basis.</p> <p><i>Location: 1/17/2014-Assembly Local Government</i></p>	
AB 2472 (Committee on Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security)	SPONSOR Newly Introduced 2/21/14
<p>CalPERS 2014 Omnibus Bill. Makes minor policy and technical changes to the Public Employees' Retirement Law (PERL).</p> <p><i>Location: 2/21/2014-Assembly Print</i></p>	
AB 2476 (Committee on Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security)	Newly Introduced 2/21/14
<p>State Exceptions to the Wait Period for Employment After Retirement. Changes the designation of the body responsible for certifying a critical need exception to the ban on returning to work for the State within 180 days of retirement contained in the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA), to the Assembly or Senate Rules Committees for annuitants employed by the Legislature, the Trustees of the California State University (CSU) for annuitants employed by the CSU, and the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) for annuitants employed by the State judiciary. It also requires the certification of such appointments made by these bodies to occur in a public meeting, and not be placed on a consent calendar.</p> <p><i>Location: 2/21/2014-Assembly Print</i></p>	
AB 2582 (Bonta)	Newly Introduced 2/21/14
<p>Postemployment Health Benefits: San Francisco Bay Area Regional Transit District. Provides an employer contribution towards annuitant health benefits for employees that are first hired on or after January 1, 2014 that work at least ten years for the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District, with the full contribution amount determined in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreed to by its employees' exclusive representative. Annuitants would receive 50 percent of the full employer contribution after ten years of service with the District, increasing 10 percent annually to 100 percent after fifteen years of service with the District, with a specified exception for those employees who retire for disability.</p> <p><i>Location: 2/21/2014-Assembly Print</i></p>	

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AB 2693 (Bloom)	Newly Introduced 2/21/14
<p>Judges: Post-Retirement Employment. Prohibits a judge of a court of record, upon retirement from either the Judges' Retirement System (JRS) or the Judges' Retirement System II (JRS II), from accepting employment with any individual or entity for one year after his or her retirement date if that individual or entity appeared before that judge with any contested matter less than one year prior to the judge's retirement date.</p>	
<p><i>Location: 2/21/2014-Assembly Print</i></p>	
SB 1114 (Walters)	Newly Introduced 2/19/14
<p>Postemployment Health Benefits: State of California. Provides an employer contribution towards annuitant health benefits to state employees first hired on or after January 1, 2015 that work at least fifteen years for the State. Annuitants would receive 50 percent of the full employer contribution after fifteen years of service, increasing 5 percent annually to 100 percent after twenty-five years of service. It also specifies that an annuitant subject to its provisions shall not receive an employer contribution that is more generous than that provided to active state employees, and requires an annuitant to use medicare benefits to the fullest extent possible.</p>	
<p><i>Location: 2/27/2014-Senate Public Employment and Retirement</i></p>	
SB 1182 (Leno)	Newly Introduced 2/20/14
<p>Large Group Health Market: Data Disclosure. Among other things, requires a large group health service plan or health insurer to file specified rate information in filings to the Department of Managed Health Care or Department of Insurance, respectively, at least sixty days prior to implementing a rate change when a rate increase exceeds 5 percent of the prior year's rate, instead of when the rate increase meets the definition of an unreasonable rate increase as specified in the federal Affordable Care Act. It also requires a plan or insurer to annually file specified aggregate data for all products sold in the large group market. In the event that a plan or insurer is unable to provide the specified data, it would be required to provide data that reasonably estimates year-to-year cost increases for specific service categories. The bill also requires a plan or insurer to annually provide claims data at no charge to a large group purchaser. If claims data is not available, it requires the plan to provide specified deidentified claims data to the purchaser.</p>	
<p><i>Location: 2/20/2014-Senate Print</i></p>	
SB 1202 (Hueso)	Newly Introduced 2/20/14
<p>Postemployment Health Benefits: City of Indio. Provides an employer contribution towards annuitant health benefits for employees first hired on or after October 1, 2013 that work at least ten years for the City of Indio, with the full employer contribution amount determined in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreed to by its employees' exclusive representative. Annuitants would receive 50 percent of the full employer contribution after ten years of service with the City, increasing 5 percent annually to 100 percent after twenty years of service with the City.</p>	
<p><i>Location: 2/20/2014-Senate Print</i></p>	

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SB 1219 (Torres)

Newly Introduced 2/20/14

Post-Retirement Employment.Recasts the post-retirement employment provisions of the Public Employees' Retirement Law (PERL) to conform to the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA) by removing several conflicting employment exemptions, and incorporating various PEPRA requirements related to exceptions, waiting periods and compensation.

Location: 2/20/2014-Senate Print

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Status as of March 6, 2014

A – CalPERS-Sponsored Bills

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**AB 2472 (Committee on Public Employees, Retirement
and Social Security)** Introduced: 2/21/2014

Board Position: Sponsor

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B – Other Bills

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AB 160 (Alejo) Amended: 5/28/2013

PEPRA Exceptions. Exempts Taft-Hartley retirement plans and retirement plans for specified federally-funded public transportation employees from the provisions of the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA). The bill also exempts multi-employer retirement plans, as defined in the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), from the PEPRA prohibition against offering supplemental defined benefit plans. This is an urgency bill and would go into effect immediately.

Location: 1/31/2014-Assembly Dead

AB 837 (Wieckowski) Amended: 9/6/2013

PEPRA: New judges: Contribution rates. Exempts judges elected to office prior to January 1, 2013, and designated as new members under PEPRA from the equal sharing of normal costs requirement under PEPRA. The bill also makes changes to avoid chaptering out conflicts with other PEPRA-related legislation.

Location: 1/23/2014-Senate Public Employment and Retirement

AB 1163 (Levine) Amended: 1/14/2014

CalPERS Board of Administration: Education. Requires the CalPERS Board of Administration to adopt an education policy for Board Members that identifies appropriate topics and training opportunities related to pension fund administration and investments. The bill also requires each Board Member to receive at least 24 hours of education in each two-year period, and directs the Board to post its education policy and an annual report on Board Member compliance on the CalPERS Web site.

Location: 2/6/2014- Senate Public Employment and Retirement

AB 1175 (Bocanegra) Amended: 3/21/2013

Post-retirement Health Benefits: Dissolved Los Angeles Redevelopment Agency. Requires the governing board of the dissolved Los Angeles Redevelopment Agency's successor agency to designate the entity responsible for post-retirement health benefit costs of former redevelopment agency employees. This entity would be considered the employer of these employees for the purposes of making ongoing contributions for health premiums.

Location: 7/12/2013-Senate 2 Year

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Location: 1/17/2014-Assembly Local Government

AB 1457 (Skinner) Introduced: 1/9/2014

2014-15 Budget Act. Makes appropriations for support of State government for the 2014–15 fiscal year. It takes effect immediately as a budget bill.

Location: 1/9/2014-Assembly Print

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Location: 2/21/2014-Assembly Print

SB 851 (Leno) Introduced: 1/9/2014

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Location: 1/9/2014-Senate Budget and Fiscal Review

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