

CHBC Advocacy Overview



Legislative Impact

- 1. Senator **Skinner's SB1369**, **which the Governor signed on September 19**, will allow hydrogen to be considered as energy storage by the key agencies. CESA became supportive of hydrogen, as well. Senator **Skinner** seems to become a **champion** for hydrogen.
- 2. Supported LCFS capacity credit for hydrogen stations (and fast chargers), an initiative lead by CaFCP members, commented on LCFS Capacity Credit and pathways, spoke before ARB in support.
- 3. CHBC staff met with several key stakeholders, including Alice Reynolds (PUC), Cliff Rechtschaffen (PUC), Tyson Eckerle (GoBiz), Assembly Member Burke, Mary Nichols (ARB), ARB staff, others.
- 4. Concern about CAISO ESDER Phase 3 developments away from load consumption to load shifting, could be negative for hydrogen.
- 5. Submitted a letter of support for **AB2061**, which would provide a 2,000-pound weight exemption to zero emission trucks on California roads. Bill was signed by the Governor.
- 6. Supported **SB100**, which was signed into law by the Governor on September 10.
- 7. CHBC was requested to not get directly involved in **Hydrogen Station Funding** by industry. As the industry-led effort encountered resistance, CHBC was asked to provide support. The proposed \$92M was blocked by the Assembly.
- 8. CHBC submitted letters supporting the **Innovative Clean Transit Regulation** and spoke before the ARB in support in September.
- 9. Sent letter of support for **AB 1970** (E. Garcia): **Low Carbon Fuels,** which did not make it out of the Assembly.
- 10. Supported **AB 3000** (Friedman): **Sales and Use Taxes**, which would've removed those taxes from hydrogen equipment, but did not make it out of the Assembly.
- 11. Sent letter of support if amended for **SB 1434** (Leyva) **Transportation electrification**: electricity rate design to include hydrogen production, which made it out of Senate but died in Assembly.
- 12. Supported if amended, then opposed **SB 1440 (Hueso): Biomethane Procurement Goals**, signed into law by the Governor.
- 13. Commented on Electrify America's Cycle 2 plans and met with EA staff & conducted a Ride & Drive with a Mirai for them.
- 14. Provided comments on ARB VW Appendix D Mitigation Trust Plan to allow for stronger participation of fuel cell technology.
- 15. Commented to CEC on the Natural Gas Research and Development Program Expansion
- 16. Commented on CPUC RG proceeding and Energy Storage Application and before to CPUC Commissioner Rechtschaffen on inclusion of hydrogen in the proposed RG proceeding.
- 17. Sent letter to Commissioner Scott on **Grant Solicitation GFO-17-602** to allow for further funding of renewable hydrogen projects.
- 18. Provided comments on the 2018 IEPR Scope and 2018 IEPR Workshop.
- 19. Developed Letter to Chair Weisenmiller with concerns about exclusion of hydrogen in E3 study.



Major Initiatives/Developments

- Bills passed:
 - SB 1369 (Green Electrolytic Hydrogen)
 - SB 100 (100% Zero Carbon by 2045)
 - AB 2061 (Weight Exemption for alternative fueled HD trucks)
- LCFS Hydrogen Fueling Station Capacity Credits (ARB)
- Hydrogen Energy Storage and Hydrogen System Protocols for Pipeline Injection – (CPUC OIR for Renewable Gas)
- Renewable Hydrogen Education of and Outreach to decision maker via events (Lobby Day and Lobby Reception) and walking the halls
- Hydrogen Fueling Infrastructure Funding (Budget Trailer Bill)



Remaining Activities

- October 24, 2018 Policy Retreat for CHBC members in Sacramento
- Outreach with other trade associations and industry lobbyist to support hydrogen fueling infrastructure funding for 2019-2020 budget
 - Education of decision makers' misperception of hydrogen being dirty/fossil fuel
- Outreach and education on P2X with ARB, CPUC, CEC and other jurisdictions
- Outreach and education of EJ groups and communities
- Review in-state renewable hydrogen production policies & incentives
- Member survey of challenges and policy priorities for 2019
- CHBC California Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Summit & Member Day, December 10-12, Sacramento – educate new Governor and staff and new Legislators



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