

**ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS  
LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION  
COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, January 21, 2016  
Summary Minutes**

**Committee Members Present:**

*Vice Chair*, Councilmember Desley Brooks, City of Oakland  
Supervisor David Cortese, County of Santa Clara  
Councilmember Julie Pierce, ABAG President, City of Clayton  
Supervisor David Rabbitt, ABAG Vice President, Sonoma County  
Supervisor Linda Seifert, Solano County  
Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, Contra Costa County

*ABAG Staff:*

Ezra Rapport, Executive Director  
Brad Paul, Deputy Executive Director  
Halimah Anderson – Communications Officer  
Jerry Lahr, Energy Programs Manager  
Jenny Berg, BayREN Program Manager  
Duane Bay, Assistant Planning and Research Director  
Arrietta Chakos, Resilience Program Policy Advisor  
Pedro Galvao, Regional Planner

*Public:*

Ken Bukowski/Filming

**1. Call To Order**

**2. Approval of Minutes**

The November 19, 2015 minutes were approved as written. (6-0)

**3. Overview on Resilience Program**

**Duane Bay, Assistant Planning and Research Director, and Arrietta Chakos, Resilience Program Consultant** presented an overview of ABAG’s Resilience Program and Resilience Initiatives for 2016 related to the FEMA and Rockefeller Foundation 100 Resilient Cities Grants. Arrietta noted that staff will work with electeds on implementation of the Loma Prieta policy actions that have been outlined.

**4. Jerry Lahr, ABAG Energy Programs Manager**

An update and overview on ABAG Water Efficiency Pooled Finance Legislation (“Water Bill Savings Act”) was presented. This legislation would extend the existing authority for JPAs to raise funds that subsequently would be used by municipal water utilities to provide water customers with water efficiency projects and services.

David Rabbitt, ABAG Vice President and Sonoma County Supervisor made a motion to approve the proposed ABAG Water Efficiency Pooled Finance Legislation (“Water Bill Savings Act”). Julie Pierce, ABAG President and City of Clayton Councilmember seconded the motion by Rabbitt. The Committee voted to approve the proposed legislation. (6-0)

**5. Pedro Galvao, ABAG Regional Planner presented an updated Unaccompanied Minors Report**

Dave Cortese, Santa Clara Supervisor, moved that ABAG continue to survey counties and cities to identify resources and that the Committee provide more input, so that the list of providers for Unaccompanied Minors will be more complete. Cortese also moved that ABAG staff work with Councilmember Brooks on language and a new title for the report.

Cortese said the original intent of the report was to serve as a clearinghouse document to let each city and county know what is going on in other jurisdictions. The final approved document should be used for that purpose.

The motion by Cortese to modify the report was seconded by Desley Brooks and approved by the Committee. (6-0)

**6. Halimah Anderson, ABAG Communications Officer presented an L&GO Committee Overview on the status of 2015 Legislation and a preliminary report on 2016**

**Legislation.** It was noted that comprehensive 2016 Legislation will be reviewed and voted on at the next Committee meeting in March.

**7. 2016 Legislative Priorities**

Attendees briefly reviewed the 2016 Legislative Priorities and noted the addition of a line item focusing on legislation related to resiliency.

**8. 2016 Legislative Reception**

It was noted that the 2016 Legislative Workshop and Reception will be held in Sacramento on February 10<sup>th</sup>. An invitation and preliminary agenda was included in the L&GO packet. An invitation and draft agenda were also sent to the Committee in early January. All were encouraged to attend.

**9. Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.**

The next meeting of the L&GO Committee will be on **March 17, 2016.**