



# Legislative Review

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**ASSEMBLY BILL, AS INTRODUCED, Lieu. Battery: Code enforcement officer.**

Existing law provides if a battery is committed against a peace officer, firefighter, or other officer, excluding code enforcement officers, and an injury is inflicted on the victim, the battery is punishable by a fine not exceeding \$2,000, imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year, or by both, or by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months, or 2 or 3 three years.

This bill would include code enforcement officers in those provisions.

**CRPOA POSITION: SUPPORT**

**ASSEMBLY BILL 1115, AS AMENDED, SHARON RUNNER. PEACE OFFICERS: ACCIDENTS.**

Existing law provides that no peace officer, member of the Department of the California Highway Patrol, or firefighter shall be required to report any accident in which he or she is involved while operating an authorized emergency vehicle, as defined, in the performance of his or her duty during the hours of his or her employment, to any person who has issued that peace officer, member of the Department of the California Highway Patrol, or firefighter a private automobile insurance policy.

This bill would provide that no peace officer, member of the Department of the California Highway Patrol, or firefighter shall be required to report any accident in which he or she is involved while operating any employer-leased or employer-rented vehicle, in the performance of his or her duty during the hours of his or her employment, to any person who has issued that peace officer, member of the Department of the California Highway Patrol, or firefighter a private automobile insurance policy.

**CRPOA POSITION: SUPPORT**

**ASSEMBLY BILL 1769, AS INTRODUCED, GALGANI. JURY SERVICE: PEACE OFFICER EXEMPTION.**

Existing law exempts certain peace officers from voir dire (jury duty) in civil and criminal matters, and other specified peace officers from voir dire in criminal matters.

This bill would exempt all peace officers, as defined, from voir dire in civil and criminal matters.

**CRPOA POSITION: STRONG SUPPORT**

**ASSEMBLY BILL 1931, AS INTRODUCED, SILVA. PEACE OFFICERS: RESERVE ILLEGAL DUMPING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.**

This bill would provide that reserve or auxiliary illegal dumping enforcement officers are public officers with arrest power, as specified, under certain circumstances. The bill would require reserve or auxiliary illegal dumping enforcement officers to successfully complete a certain training course for reserve peace officers and to take and subscribe a certain oath of office.

**CRPOA POSITION: FURTHER STUDY UNTIL AMENDED.**

**ASSEMBLY BILL 1953, AS INTRODUCED, JEFFRIES. PEACE OFFICERS: DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATORS.**

Existing law defines various persons as peace officers, including, among others, investigators in the office of the district attorney.

This bill would include part-time or temporary investigators employed in the office of a district attorney within that definition of peace officers.

**CRPOA POSITION: FURTHER STUDY.**

**ASSEMBLY BILL 2028, AS INTRODUCED, SOLORIO. FAIR EMPLOYMENT: PEACE OFFICERS: BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION.**

Existing law, the Fair Employment and Housing Act, requires an employer to evaluate all relevant nonmedical and nonpsychological information with respect to an applicant that it reasonably could have obtained and analyzed before giving a conditional offer of employment.

This bill would notwithstanding existing law, allow a required background investigation into good moral character including investigation into nonmedical and nonpsychological information, to be performed after a conditional offer of employment to be a peace officer, to the extent not prohibited by federal law.

**CRPOA POSITION: SUPPORT**

**ASSEMBLY BILL 2062, AS INTRODUCED, DE LEON. AMMUNITION.**

Existing law requires the Department of Justice to maintain records pertaining to firearms transactions.

This bill would require the department to maintain additional information relating to ammunition transfers, handgun ammunition permittees, and licensed handgun ammunition vendors, as specified.

This bill would establish a program administered by the Department of Justice for licensing handgun ammunition vendors, as specified. The bill would also authorize the issuance of a handgun ammunition permit, to be used by purchasers of handgun ammunition, as specified. This bill could also compel a person to have a permit to purchase ammunition.

**CRPOA POSITION: STRONGLY OPPOSE**

**ASSEMBLY BILL 2131, AS INTRODUCED, NIELLO. PEACE OFFICERS: CANINE UNITS.**

This bill would permit a peace officer assigned to a canine unit, who is on official assignment for travel away from his or her home jurisdiction, to be accompanied in those places by his or her peace officer dog without paying an extra charge.

This will would similarly make it a crime for any person, firm, association, or corporation, or the agent of any person, firm, association, or corporation, to prevent a peace officer, as defined, from exercising, or interfering with a peace officer in the exercise of, the rights to have with him or her a peace officer dog, as specified.

**CRPOA POSITION: SUPPORT - WITH AMENDMENTS**

**ASSEMBLY BILL 2245, AS INTRODUCED, SOTO. ILLEGAL DUMPING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS: USE OF BATONS.**

Existing law provides that certain public officers, like animal control officers, are not prohibited from carrying any wooden club or baton if the officers have satisfactorily completed a specified course of instruction in the carrying and use of the club or baton.

This bill would apply this provision to illegal dumping enforcement officers.

**CRPOA POSITION: SUPPORT**

**ASSEMBLY BILL 2566, AS INTRODUCED, HANCOCK. FIREARMS: PROHIBITIONS.**

Existing law provides that no permit or license to purchase, own, possess, keep, or carry, either openly or concealed, shall be required of any citizen of the United States or legal resident over the age of 18 years who resides or is temporarily within this state, and who is not within the excepted classes, as specified, to purchase, own, possess, keep, or carry, either openly or concealed, a handgun within the citizen's or legal resident's place of residence, place of business, or on private property owned or lawfully possessed by the citizen or legal resident.

This bill would provide that, these provisions may not be construed to prohibit the regulation by a city, county, or city and county of the possession of handguns.

**CRPOA POSITION: STRONGLY OPPOSE**

**ASSEMBLY BILL 2754, AS INTRODUCED, BASS. PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL: MRSA SKIN INFECTIONS.**

Existing law establishes a presumption that if certain safety members, firefighters, county probation officers, or members in active law enforcement develop a blood-borne infectious disease, the disease arises out of, and in the course of, employment. Existing law requires those who are permanently incapacitated for the performance of duty as a result of a blood-borne infectious disease to receive a service-connected disability retirement.

This bill would expand the scope of this provision to include any methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) skin infection.

This bill was amended to include reserve peace officers.

**CRPOA POSITION: SUPPORT**  
**ASSEMBLY BILL 2873, AS INTRODUCED, SOLORIO. COUNTIES: SHERIFFS' DUTIES: COASTLINE, HARBORS, AND INLAND WATERSAYS.**

SECTION 1. The Legislature hereby finds and declares all of the following:

(a) It is the intent of the Legislature that the authority for the security and safety of the county's coastlines, harbors, and inland waterways in the County of Orange be granted to a law enforcement entity within the country that will employ skilled peace officers as defined by Section 830.1 of the Penal Code, with the same minimum standards of training as those applying to the peace officers that were employed by the previous law enforcement entity on January 1, 2008.

**CRPOA POSITION: OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED**