



*Election Integrity Project*<sup>®</sup>*California*  
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## **CA Legislators “Pile On”**

### **35 Bills Being Heard in ONE Week!**

EIPCa apologizes for the late notice about the multiple hearings coming up this week, but it could not be helped since **we received late notice from the legislature.**

Last week California legislators scheduled a huge number of bills in both the Senate and the Assembly. SEVENTEEN Senate bills and EIGHTEEN Assembly bills regarding elections are scheduled to heard THIS WEEK!

In a representative form of government, it is crucial for Californians to be able to weigh in on the bills legislators bring forward for consideration.

**When our legislators schedule so many bills,  
then give only one week’s notice,  
they make it difficult for citizens to provide input.**

**But supporters of election integrity are intrepid, and we will not be discouraged.  
We will rise to the occasion, and meet the challenge!**

- In the Senate there are two bills that EIPCa opposes that will be up for hearing on **Tuesday, April 18, at 9:30 a.m.**
- In the Assembly, there are **EIGHT** that EIPCa strongly opposes up for their first committee hearing on **Wednesday, April 19, at 9:00 a.m.!!**

**PLEASE plan to call in to BOTH of those hearings to support our positions.  
(Bills, positions and call-in instructions below.)**

**It is important** for you to acquaint yourself with the bills and EIPCa’s talking points so you will know whether you agree with us or not.

**Below is a list of the bills, with a link to the EIPCa opposition letter for each.**

- To read the text of any bill, go to  
<https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces//billSearchClient.xhtml>,
  - **enter the bill number**
  - **hit “submit”,** and then
  - **click on “Today’s law as amended”.**

## 2 Bills being heard on Tuesday:

- SB 24 - Public Funding for political campaigns [Read EIPCa letter \(link\)](#)
- SB 409 - Candidate Statements [Read EIPCa letter \(link\)](#)

## 8 Bills being heard on Wednesday:

- AB 270 - Public Funding for political campaigns [Read EIPCa letter \(link\)](#)
- AB 292 - Change in Presidential Primary NPP Ballots [Read EIPCa letter \(link\)](#)
- AB 421 - Initiative Signature Gathering [Read EIPCa letter \(link\)](#)
- AB 544 - Vote Center in county jails [Read EIPCa letter \(link\)](#)
- AB 1004 - Verifying petition signatures [Read EIPCa letter \(link\)](#)
- AB 1539 - Double voting a misdemeanor [Read EIPCa letter \(link\)](#)
- AB 1595 - Prison inmate voting [Read EIPCa letter \(link\)](#)
- ACA 4 - Prison inmate voting [Read EIPCa letter \(link\)](#)

## Instructions for attending committee hearings by phone:

1. On Tuesday morning, visit <https://selc.senate.ca.gov/content/april-18-2023-bill-hearing> for call-in numbers and other information.
2. On Wednesday morning, visit <https://aelc.assembly.ca.gov/hearings> for call-in numbers and other information.
3. Within a few minutes of connecting to the meeting, someone will open your line and ask if you will want to speak at some point in the hearing.
  - Say “YES” and you will be given a line number.
  - **REMEMBER the number - write it down.**
    - **It will be your number for each time you want to speak during the entire hearing.**
  - You will be placed in a “waiting room”.
    - You will be muted but able to listen to the hearing.
    - To **register your opinion** when the time is right, listen to the hearing on the phone, not online, which will be delayed by 40 seconds.
    - When the committee is ready for public comment on one of the bills listed above, the moderator will first give instructions for people wishing **to SUPPORT** the bill. **Do NOTHING** at this point.
    - After supporters are finished, the moderator will give instructions for people wishing **to OPPOSE** the bill. You will be asked to press 1 and then zero. Do so.

- Only press 1 then 0 **ONCE**. If you do so again, you will be removed from the queue.

**If you make that error**, press 1 then 0 again to re-enter the queue.

- Listen carefully. When your line number is called, your line will be unmuted, and that is when you may register your opinion.
  - **Be sure your phone is unmuted!**
- When your number is called, give your:
  - Name
  - City or County
  - Group affiliation (EIPCa or any other organization you belong to)
  - Position on the bill ["I (strongly, energetically, emphatically, etc.) oppose..."]
- **Do not attempt to elaborate or give arguments.**
  - You are limited to the above.

#### **4. Once you have weighed in, DO NOT HANG UP.**

- Stay on the line and
- repeat the above process until all bills you wish to speak to have been discussed.

#### **5. Patience will be needed.**

There is a long list of bills to be heard, some of which we are not taking a stand on, and we will have to wait until each of our bills are “up”.

**The more of you who call in, the more impact we will have on the Committee.**

**Wait patiently and weigh in at the appropriate times.**

**Sacramento may not want to hear from us,  
but LET NOT YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED!!**

Though most members will already have their minds made up, and will vote accordingly, the impact of testimony and phone calls can cause amendments, changed votes and even withdrawal of the bill after the fact. We need **every** call.

**So spread this information to everyone you can and let's have a HUGE turnout.**

As these hearings continue, you will have similar opportunities to participate in keeping the Republic from time to time.

Be at the ready.

Thank you for taking action!