

ITEM 10
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
Workload, Budget, and
Upcoming Tentative Agendas

I. WORKLOAD: Pending Caseload

Type of Action	March 11, 2008
Test Claims ¹ to be Heard and Determined	70
Test Claims to be Reconsidered	0
Test Claims to be Reconsidered Based on Court Action	0
Test Claims to be Reconsidered, as Directed by the Legislature	0
Incorrect Reduction Claims to be Heard and Determined	138
Incorrect Reduction Claims to be Reconsidered Based on Court Action	0
Proposed Parameters and Guidelines	20
Proposed Amendments to Parameters and Guidelines	14
Parameters and Guidelines to be Amended or Set Aside, as Directed by the Legislature or Court Action	0
Statewide Cost Estimates to be Adopted	7
New Test Claim Filings to be Reviewed	0
New Incorrect Reduction Claim Filings to be Reviewed	0
Appeals of Executive Director's Decision	1
Regulatory Actions Pending	1

II. STATE BUDGET

A. Mid-Year Budget Reductions: 2007-2008

On February 16, 2008, the Governor enacted ABX3 8 (Stats. 2008, ch. 6) in special session, as part of an overall budget reduction package for the 2007-2008 fiscal year (mid-year budget reductions). ABX3 8 became effective immediately. The bill repealed the authority for claimants to file and be paid for estimated reimbursement claims; thus, allowing a reduction of \$75 million for mandate reimbursements for estimated claims.

¹ This includes 48 test claims filed by school districts and 22 filed by local agencies.

On February 19, 2008, the Governor issued Executive Order 01-08 to require all state agencies to immediately reduce the General Fund operations budgets under their control by 1.5 percent on an annualized basis for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2007-08, provided that these reductions shall only be made to non-essential and non-mission-critical activities and shall not negatively impact public safety or public health activities. These reductions are intended to achieve total General Fund savings of at least \$100 million in fiscal year 2007-2008. The executive order requires all state agencies to achieve General Fund savings by targeting non-essential and non-mission-critical General Fund activities, and taking the following actions in relation to non-essential and non-mission-critical General Fund activities that they believe are capable of successful implementation and otherwise permitted by law:

- Freezing hiring.
- Reducing, canceling, disencumbering or postponing contracts or agreements to lease or purchase equipment.
- Reducing, canceling, disencumbering or postponing other contracts or agreements, including those for personal services and media and outreach campaigns.
- Reducing travel costs by canceling or postponing discretionary travel for seminars, conferences or training; restricting the size of agency, department, division and unit meetings requiring travel to essential participants only; using video conferencing and teleconferencing; and scheduling meetings at locations at or near headquarters offices.

The Commission is meeting this 1.5% reduction through the elimination of an office technician position.

B. Budget Hearings – 2008-2009

On April 9, 2008, the Commission's budget will be heard in the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee, Sub-Committee 4 on State Administration and General Government.

On May 22, 2008, the Assembly Budget Committee, Sub-Committee 4 on State Administration will hear the Commission's budget.

III. TENTATIVE AGENDAS

The tentative agendas are subject to change based on Commission staff's litigation workload, requests for extensions of time to file comments on draft staff analyses, hearing postponements, pre-hearing conferences, and the complexity of the statutes and executive orders that are pled.

Thursday, May 29, 2008

- A. Test Claims (13)
 - 1. *Prevailing Wage Rates*, 01-TC-28
Clovis Unified School District, Claimant
 - 2. *Disabled Student Programs & Services*, 02-TC-22
West Kern Community College District, Claimant
 - 3. *Expulsions II and Suspensions II*, 96-358-03, 03A-03B, 04, 04A-04B, 98-TC-22, 23, 01-TC-17, and 18 consolidated with
Education Services Plan, 97-TC-09
San Juan Unified School District, Claimant
 - 4. *Comprehensive School Safety Plans II*, 02-TC-33, Bakersfield City School District and Sweetwater Union High School District, Co-Claimants
 - 5. *Cal Grants*, 02-TC-28,
Long Beach Community College District, Claimant
- B. Proposed Parameters and Guidelines (7)
 - 1. *Local Government Employment Relations*, 01-TC-30
County of Sacramento, Claimant
 - 2. *Permanent Absent Voter II*, 03-TC-11
County of Sacramento, Claimant
 - 3. *Fifteen-Day Close of Voter Registration*, 01-TC-15
County of Orange, Claimant
 - 4. *Local Recreational Areas, Background Screenings*, 01-TC-11
City of Los Angeles, Claimant
 - 5. *Firearm Hearings for Discharged Inpatients*, 99-TC-11
County of Los Angeles, Claimant
 - 6. *Pupil Discipline Records and Notification to Teachers: Pupils Subject to Expulsion/Suspension II*, 00-TC-10, 00-TC-11
Sweetwater Union High School District, Carpinteria Unified School District and Grant Joint Union High School District, Claimants
 - 7. *Binding Arbitration*, 01-TC-07
County of Napa, Claimant

- C. Proposed Amendments to Parameters and Guidelines (1)
 - 1. *Updated Boilerplate Language*, 05-PGA-17
State Controller's Office, Requestor
- D. Statewide Cost Estimates (3)
 - 1. *Domestic Violence Arrests and Victims Assistance*, 98-TC-14
County of Los Angeles, Claimant
 - 2. *Handicapped and Disabled Students II*, 02-TC-40; 02-TC-49
Counties of Los Angeles and Stanislaus, Claimants
 - 3. *Binding Arbitration*, 01-TC-07
County of Napa, Claimant

Friday, August 1, 2008

- A. Test Claims (7)
 - 1. *Notices to Students*, 02-TC-25 consolidated with *Minimum Conditions of State Aid*, 02-TC-31, Los Rios Community College District and Santa Monica Community College District, Claimants
 - 2. *Tuition Fee Waivers*, 02-TC-21
Contra Costa Community College District, Claimant
 - 3. *Surplus Property Advisory Committees*, 02-TC-36
Clovis Unified School District, Claimant
 - 4. *School Facilities Funding Requirements*, 02-TC-30
Clovis Unified School District, Claimant
 - 5. *Student Records, Minimum Conditions for State Aid*, 02-TC-34
Riverside Unified School District and Palomar Community College District, Claimants
 - 6. *Employment of College Faculty and Instructors*, 02-TC-27
Santa Monica Community College District, Claimant
- B. Incorrect Reduction Claims (1)
 - 1. *Graduation Requirements*, 03-4435-I-45
Clovis Unified School District, Claimant
- C. Parameters and Guidelines (3)
 - 1. *California Fire Incident Reporting Systems (CFIRS)*, CSM-4419
City of Newport Beach, Claimant
 - 2. *Modified Primary Election*, 01-TC-13
County of Orange, Claimant
 - 3. *Voter Identification Procedures*, 03-TC-23
San Bernardino County, Claimant

- D. Proposed Amendments to Parameters and Guidelines (1)
 - 1. *Pesticide Use Reports*, 06-PGA-02
Department of Pesticide Regulations, Requestor
- E. Statewide Cost Estimates (2)
 - 1. *Missing Children Reports*, 01-TC-09
San Jose Unified School District, Claimant
 - 2. *Charter Schools III*, 99-TC-14
Western Placer Unified School District, Claimant