

**ITEM 9**  
**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**  
**2013 LEGISLATION**

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Commission staff has been following these two bills related to the mandates process:

**AB 392 (Jones-Sawyer).** Existing law requires the Controller to prorate claims if the amount appropriated for reimbursement is not sufficient to pay all of the claims approved by the Controller. Existing law also requires the Controller to report to the Department of Finance and various legislative entities when it is necessary to prorate claims.

This bill deleted that reporting requirement and requires the Controller to determine the most cost-effective allocation method if \$1,000 or less is appropriated for a program. On August 12, 2013 this bill was chaptered by the Secretary of State (Chapter 77, statutes 2013).

**AB 1292 (Linder).** Existing law authorizes a local agency or school district to file an annual reimbursement claim detailing state-mandated costs, as specified.

This bill would make a technical, non-substantive change to Government Code section 17560(b). This is a spot bill. Staff has contacted the Author's office and was told that they have no plans to propose changes to the mandates process. The bill was read for the first time on February 25, 2013 and, as of September 10, 2013, has not been referred to a committee nor has it been amended. Staff will continue to monitor this legislation.