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## ITEM 14 STAFF REPORT 2011 LEGISLATION

The Governor acted on two mandate-related bills in 2011:

<u>AB 202 (Brownley).</u> The Governor vetoed this bill. It would have modified existing provisions for developing joint reasonable reimbursement methodologies (RRMs) by school district claimants and the Department of Finance by requiring the parties to proceed to binding arbitration if they could not agree upon an RRM.

The Governor stated in his veto message that "This bill creates a new avenue for deciding the costs of state mandates which may prove to be more complicated and costly than the existing process."

SB 112 (Liu). The Governor signed this bill (Statutes 2011, chapter 144). SB 112 provides the State Controller with an additional 30 days (increasing the time from 60 days to 90 days) to issue claiming instructions. It also clarifies that any amendment to the boilerplate language in the parameters and guidelines that does not increase or decrease reimbursable costs shall limit the eligible filing period commencing with the fiscal year in which the parameters and guidelines are amended by the Commission.