

Legislation for 2007

The following is a brief description of legislation affecting procurement and contracting that took effect January 1, 2007. See the link at <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/> for complete copies of the chaptered bills.

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Chapter 488, Statutes of 2006 AB 32 (Nunez)	Enacts the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, requiring the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to adopt regulations to report, verify, monitor, and enforce Statewide greenhouse gas (ghg) emissions.
Chapter 818, Statutes of 2006 AB 2098 (Liu)	Establishes the Electronic Funds Transfer Task Force, with specified membership, and directs it to develop a plan for making payments using electronic fund transfers, including specified elements.
Chapter 767, Statutes of 2006 AB 2264 (Pavley)	Requires the DGS on or before June 1, 2007, in consultation with the California Energy Commission, to establish a minimum fuel economy standard that is above the existing standard, pursuant to the State Administrative Manual for the purchase of State fleet passenger cars and light duty trucks powered by internal combustion engines utilizing fossil fuels. Vehicles purchased after January 1, 2008, would be required to meet this new standard.
Chapter 232, Statutes of 2006 AB 2330 (Arambula)	Requires the Office of Small Business Advocate to commission a study of the costs of state regulations on small businesses that would examine successful models from other states on identifying regulatory costs and developing potential alternative approaches. The office would also be required to make recommendations and to convene a small business advisory committee to provide advice on the study. The office would be required to submit the completed study, including the recommendations, to specified state entities no later than October 1, 2007.
Chapter 861, Statutes of 2006 AB 2541 (Matthews)	Requires the State to pay a penalty for the late payment of a grant in the same manner that penalties are paid for the late payment of amounts due on contracts. In addition, the bill defines "grant" as a signed final agreement between any State agency and a local government agency or organization authorized to accept grant funding for victim services or prevention programs administered by any State agency.
Chapter 720, Statutes of 2006 AB 2877 (Frommer)	Establishes the California Rx Prescription Drug Web Site Program and directs the Department of Health Services to create a web site, to be in operation by July 1, 2008, with links to information and resources for people seeking discounted prescription drugs. Further, the bill requires the DGS to develop strategies for the State to achieve savings through greater use of generic drugs and revises the existing reporting requirement to the Legislature.
Chapter 233, Statutes of 2006 AB 3058 (Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy)	Amends the duties of the Office of Small Business Advocate to include advocacy on state policy and programs related to small business disaster preparedness, recovery, and technical assistance. Also requires the office to develop a Web-based handbook for small businesses on emergency preparedness, emergency responses, recovery strategies and to conduct at least 3 meetings before July 1, 2008, and annual meetings thereafter, to share best practices for small business disaster preparedness.
Chapter 392, Statutes of 2006 SB 420	Extends requirements for the procurement of paving materials that contain recycled content for road construction and repairs to departments that build and maintain other types of paved surfaces, including parking lots, bike trails, hiking

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Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 533, Statutes of 2006 SB 834 (Figueroa)	Codifies in statute the changes made in Governor's Reorganization Plan No. 2, which established the Department of Technology Services and transferred the responsibilities of the DGS' Office of Network Services to the new department. The bill also establishes statutory authority for the office of the Chief Information Officer and prescribes his or her duties.
Chapter 234, Statutes of 2006 SB 1436 (Figueroa)	Requires the Department of Technology Services to create a link to state agency Web sites at the State of California Internet portal specifically for the use of small businesses in accessing information regarding startup requirements and regulatory compliance. Each state agency that significantly regulates small business, or significantly impacts small business, is to designate at least one individual who shall serve as a small business liaison for the agency, with specified duties that include reviewing and updating content on the agency Web site that is accessible through the small business link at the State of California Internet portal, and assisting the agency secretary, department director, or executive officer in ensuring that the procurement and contracting processes of the applicable entity are administered in order to meet or exceed the 25% small business participation goal.