

CALIFORNIA STATE BUDGET PROCESS



BY MAY 14 GOVERNOR RELEASES REVISED BUDGET PROPOSAL "MAY REVISION"

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Budget committees along with subcommittees in the State Assembly and Senate review the Governor's proposed budget and begin to craft their versions of the annual spending plan.

Public Engagement

After the release of the Governor's proposed budget, members of the public can submit letters of support/opposition to budget subcommittees, meet with budget subcommittee staff and legislative leadership staff, and get involved with coalitions.





State Assembly and Senate review the May Revision and move toward finalizing their versions of the budget in subcommittee hearings. In early June, Legislative leaders and Governor meet to address outstanding issues.

Public Engagement

Members of the public can meet with Governor's staff and legislative staff to discuss any changes or new proposals in the May Revision. The public can continue to offer comments at legislative hearings, although typically not during the two-house conference committee.



Budget passes and goes to the Governor for a signature.

> **JULY 1** START OF THE NEW FISCAL YEAR

BY JUNE 15 LEGISLATURE MUST PASS A BALANCED BUDGET

Note: Summer to fall is a good time for the public to get to know key legislative staff, educate them on particular issues, and suggest ideas that deserve a hearing in the year ahead.