

Leg. Prog.

April 5, 1996

**Memorandum 96-20****1996 Legislative Program: Status of Bills**

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Attached to this memorandum is a chart showing the status of the Commission's 1996 legislative program.

The Commission should be aware of the following additional information.

**Consolidation of Environmental Statutes**

The Legislature may look to the Commission for a study consolidating existing environmental regulation statutes. Senator Lockyer's office has contacted the staff concerning this possibility.

The proposal is not clearly articulated at present, but we believe the concept is a nonsubstantive consolidation and elimination of obsolete and overlapping provisions (not including CEQA).

In this connection, the staff has noted the introduction of AB 3477 (a spot bill by the Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials) which states:

It is the intent of the Legislature, by enactment of this act, to establish a single unified code of environmental protection statutes, which would replace existing environmental protection statutes in the various codes, that would be administered by a single environmental protection agency.

This bill suggests to the staff that there may already be an effort underway to do this, perhaps by committee consultants.

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Secretary

# STATUS OF 1996 COMMISSION LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(as of April 5, 1996)

SB 392 (Sen. Judic. Comm.): Probate Committee Bill  
(collecting small estate without administration)  
SB 794 (Kopp): Administrative Adjudication Followup  
SB 1033 (Sen. Judic. Comm.) Family Law Committee Bill  
(Family Code corrective amendment)  
SCR 43 (Kopp): Continuing Authority to Study Topics  
(adds study of contract law)  
AB 2751 (Kaloogian): Probate Omnibus Bill  
(statute of limitations in trust matters;  
inheritance involving out of wedlock child)

## ON HOLD:

Homestead Exemption  
Tolling Statute of Limitations  
First Rule in Spencer's Case (1997)

## ALSO OF INTEREST:

Budget Bill: SB 1393; AB 2049  
SCA 4 (Lockyer): Trial Court Unification

Bill Status		SB 392	SB 794	SB 1033	SCR 43	AB 2751	Budget	SCA 4
Introduced		1995	1995	1995	Jan 3	Feb 22	Jan 10	1995
Last Amended		Jan 12	Mar 20	Jan 23				Feb 7
First House	Policy Committee	Jan 17	Jan 16/17	Jan 22	[Apr 16]	Mar 27	Mar 14	
	Fiscal Committee	—	Jan 29	—	—			
	Passed House	Jan 25	Jan 31	Jan 25				
Second House	Policy Committee		[Apr 16]					
	Fiscal Committee	—		—	—			
	Passed House							
Concurrence								
Governor	Received					—		
	Approved					—		
Chaptered by Secretary of State	Date							
	Chapter #							

• Unless otherwise noted, all dates are in 1996

[date]: scheduled

—: not applicable