

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UPDATE
For the week of October 27, 2014

Northern California

San Francisco Formula Retail

Proposals to regulate Formula Retail will be heard in committee on Monday, October 27. Potential regulation could include CUP and an economic impact analysis for locating businesses with more than 11 company locations worldwide. CGA is opposed to these requirements along with a coalition of San Francisco business interests.

San Francisco Pharmaceutical Take-Back

Supervisor Chiu has introduced a mandatory pharmaceutical ordinance which requires manufacturers to set up the infrastructure at no cost to retailers. While there appears to be an expectation retail pharmacies would participate as potential take-back locations the ordinance clearly states all costs would be the responsibility of the manufacturers.

Fresno Recycling Facilities

The City of Fresno is continuing to pursue regulations for CRV recycling facilities. CGA working with industry partners have worked to soften the initial proposal, but Fresno has budged on the closure of recycling facilities on the day of and day after curbside pick-up.

Windsor Tobacco Age Limitation

The City of Windsor in Sonoma County is the first jurisdiction in California to raise the minimum age to purchase tobacco products to 21 years of age. While new to California, regulations to require purchasers of tobacco be over 18 years have been implemented in several states and New York City which also uses age 21 as the minimum.

Southern California

Monrovia waste and recycling

The City Council adopted an ordinance to amend the municipal code as it relates to residential, solid waste, green waste and recyclable material collection.

Norwalk alcohol regulation

The City Council approved an ordinance to allocate grant funds for programs to reduce access to and availability of alcohol by minors.

Pico Rivera single-use carryout bags

The City Council approved a motion prohibiting the distribution of single-use plastic carry-out bags at the point of sale at retail establishments.

San Diego minimum wage

The City Council unanimously voted to place the minimum wage issue on the June 2016 ballot after the referendum to overturn San Diego's proposal to increase the minimum wage to \$11.50/hour was approved.