



## Wildfires & Disaster Preparedness Committee

Bill	Primary Policy Focus	Fire Provisions	Liability & Risk	Regulatory Changes	Environmental Review	Eligible Entities	Funding	Reporting/Oversight
<b><a href="#">A.B. 1699: Good Fire Act California</a></b>	Liability reform; workforce; permitting	Expands and supports prescribed and cultural burning; recognizes burn boss certifications, including out-of-state	Permanently extends Prescribed Fire Liability Pilot Program; expands eligibility; up to \$2M per event	Certified burn bosses may approve burn plans without department approval; Cal Fire may waive inspections	Certain Cal Fire assistance activities exempt from CEQA	Nongovernment entities; tribes; certified burn bosses	Claims fund up to \$2M per event; prevents grant restrictions on overtime pay	None specified

<p><b>S.B. 3059:</b>  <a href="#">Relating to Fire Prevention</a>  <b>Hawaii</b></p>	<p>Wildfire prevention planning; local mandates</p>	<p>Defines “prescribed burn” and requires inclusion in prevention strategies</p>	<p>None specified</p>	<p>Requires mandatory community risk reduction programs administered by state and counties</p>	<p>Not specified</p>	<p>State Fire Marshal; county fire departments</p>	<p>Not specified</p>	<p>Requires annual progress reports to Legislature</p>
<p><b>A.B. 1227:</b>  <a href="#">Wildfire Safety – Fuels Reduction</a>  <b>Projects California</b></p>	<p>Fuels reduction; emergency response</p>	<p>Includes prescribed and cultural burning as eligible fuels reduction activities</p>	<p>None specified</p>	<p>Establishes process for public notice, meeting, and response to comments</p>	<p>Temporary CEQA exemption for critical fuels reduction projects</p>	<p>Local agencies; projects in very high fire hazard severity zones</p>	<p>No state reimbursement required</p>	<p>Requires CalEPA and Natural Resources Agency reporting</p>
<p><b>S.B. 5491:</b>  <a href="#">Prescribed Fire Claims Fund Pilot Program</a>  <b>Washington</b></p>	<p>Liability mitigation; pilot program</p>	<p>Enable prescribed and cultural burning by addressing liability barriers</p>	<p>Creates claims fund; excludes criminal or negligent acts; reimbursement subject to funding availability</p>	<p>Burns must be approved and conducted by nonstate, nonfederal entities</p>	<p>Not specified</p>	<p>Nonstate and nonfederal entities</p>	<p>Up to \$2M per claim</p>	<p>Fund administration by Office of Risk Management and DNR</p>

<b>A.B. 404:</b> <b>CEQA</b> <b>Exemption –</b> <b>Forestry &amp;</b> <b>Fuel</b> <b>Reduction</b> <b>California</b>	Environment al review reform; forest health	Includes prescribed fire among eligible project types	None specified	Requires filing and posting of notices of exemption	Indefinite CEQA exemption for qualifying federal-land projects with NEPA review	Federal lands; tribal lands (specified tribal projects)	Authoriz es grants; specifies payment limits	Requires reporting on changes in federal forest law
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