



## Summary of Aviation Legislation in California

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Bill Number & Author	Subject	1 <sup>st</sup> Policy	1 <sup>st</sup> Fiscal	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor	2 <sup>nd</sup> Policy	2 <sup>nd</sup> Fiscal	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Gov. Desk
AB 81 (Beall)	Fuel Taxes, Air Common Carrier							
AB 511 (Yamada)	Meteorological Towers							
SB 446 (Dutton)	Ontario Int'l Airport Authority		5/23					
<b>Color Code:</b> <span style="color: yellow;">Yellow</span> indicates upcoming hearing/vote and date; <span style="color: green;">Green</span> indicates passage; <span style="color: red;">Red check</span> indicates Governor's signature.								

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**AB 81**, *Assembly Member Beall-San Jose, District 24 (taxes, fuel, air common carriers)*  
 This bill would cap the California state sales tax on jet fuel and petroleum products sold to or purchased by air common carriers for domestic flights.  
**The latest-**This bill passed out of the Assembly Committee on Revenue & Taxation and has been re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations for a hearing.

**AB 511**, *Assembly Member Yamada-Davis, District 8 (aviation)*

This amended bill would add a section to the State Aeronautics Act. It would provide requirements for the proper marking and lighting of meteorological evaluation towers that are erected to measure climate data at locations where wind power facilities may be built.

**The latest**-This bill passed out of Appropriations on 5/11/11. It is now on the Consent Calendar on the Assembly Floor.

**SB 446**, *State Senator Dutton-Rancho Cucamonga, District 31 (airports)*

This legislation would establish the Ontario International Airport Authority and require the transfer of management and operational control of the Ontario International Airport from the City of Los Angeles to the authority.

**The latest**-This bill has been referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee after being amended on 5/10/11. The Appropriations hearing is set for 5/23/11.

**SB 619**, *State Senator Fuller-Bakersfield, District 18 (private postsecondary act, exemptions)*

This bill provides an exemption from the regulatory jurisdiction of the Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE) to flight instructors and flight schools who do not accept payment for service in advance.

**The latest**-This bill moved out of Senate Appropriations on 5/9/11, and is headed to the Senate Floor for a vote.

**AB 662**, *Assembly Member Hueso-Chula Vista, District 79 (San Diego County Regional Airport Authority)*

This bill would preclude the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority from preparing an airport land use compatibility plan for the City of Coronado.

**The latest**-This bill has shown no movement since it was amended at the beginning of April.

**SB 295**, *State Senator Price-Los Angeles, District 26 (community colleges: site acquisitions)*

This bill would delete from the Education Code the investigation and recommendation requirement pertaining to community college site acquisitions. Proposed site acquisitions that are within two miles of an airport would no longer be investigated with respect to airport runway operations. Reports containing recommendations on the proposed acquisitions would no longer be submitted to the governing board of each community college district.

**The latest**-This bill missed critical milestones and is no longer working its way through the approval process.

**AB 731**, *Assembly Member Jeffries-Riverside, District 66 (firefighting)*

This bill would annually divert \$15,000 of the aircraft jet fuel tax away from the Aeronautics Account and begin using it to purchase fire fighting equipment for local governments. The diverted fuel tax money would no longer be available for airport-related capital improvement and safety projects.

**The latest**-This bill missed critical milestones and is no longer working its way through the approval process.