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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Commission staff continues to monitor for legislation that might affect the mandates process.

AB 1781 State Mandates: claims (Waldron, introduced January 3, 2024)

The California Constitution, whenever the Legislature or a state agency mandates a new program or higher level of service on any local government, including school districts, requires the state to provide a subvention of funds to reimburse the local government, unless an exception applies. Statutory provisions that establish procedures for making that reimbursement include a requirement that no claim shall be made or paid unless it exceeds \$1,000. This bill would change the minimum claim amount to \$800.

On January 3, 2024, this bill was read for the first time and was sent to print. On January 4, 2024, this bill arrived from the printer and on January 16, 2024, it was referred to the Assembly Committee on Local Government. On May 3, 2024, the Assembly Member's office confirmed that this is a spot bill and there are no plans for it to move forward at this time.