



Summary of Aviation Legislation in California

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*Aviation Legislation in the California Legislature:
Session: 2005-2006; Last Change: September 6, 2006*

Notes: Of all bills listed here only AB 2650 successfully passed through the legislative session and it is now before the governor for final consideration. Final recess began on September 1st and the Governor has until September 30th to sign or veto bills. The 2005-2006 session adjourns on November 30 and the 2007-2008 Regular Session begins on December 4, 2006.

Please see < <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov> > for more information on each of the following bills.

AB 2230, *Assembly Member La Suer-La Mesa-District 77 (San Diego County Regional Airport Authority)*

Changes the make-up of the executive committee of the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority. The committee would increase in size, members would be elected with limited terms instead of appointed, change their district boundaries and change their pay and per diem.

AB 2501, *Assembly Member Lieu-Torrance-District 53 (Santa Monica Airport)*

This bill requires Santa Monica Airport to monitor landing and takeoff operation cycles of all aircraft for one year beginning January 1, 2007, and report its findings to the public no later than February 1, 2008. An unfunded state mandate.

AB 2650, *Assembly Member Laird-Santa Cruz-District 27 (Monterey Peninsula Airport District)*

Sponsored by the Monterey Peninsula Airport District, AB 2650 would make numerous changes to the enacting statute to bring it in line with current processes and practices, and eliminate outdated references and outmoded statutory limitations. According to the author, this bill would help usher the Monterey Peninsula Airport into the 21st Century and ensure that the District can modernize existing facilities, remain competitive, and better serve passenger needs.

AB 2847, *Assembly Member Plescia-San Diego-District 75 (San Diego County Regional Airport Authority)*

This bill changes one word in current law. Not a substantial change.

SB 1671, *Senate Member Ashburn-Bakersfield-District 18 (Mojave Spaceport)*

The Mojave Spaceport (located at Mojave Airport in Kern County) would receive a loan from the state's general fund in the amount of eleven million dollars. The loan money would be available for constructing shared facilities such as a terminal and research space to further efforts in the commercial passenger space business. The bill's authors were encouraged to try revenue bonds instead of a loan from the general fund at the April 18, 2006, committee hearing.

SB 1738, *Senate Member Alarcon-Sun Valley-District 20 (Los Angeles County Regional Airport Authority)*

This bill simply states "It is the intent of the Legislature to establish the Los Angeles County Regional Airport Authority." This is the same language as last year's SB 32 that expired in January 2006.

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