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## AROUND CSAC

### **“REFORM WATCH” SECTION ADDED TO CSAC WEB SITE**

As part of CSAC’s continuing focus on possible reforms to California governance, the Association has recently launched a “Reform Watch” page at [www.csac.counties.org](http://www.csac.counties.org), which you can visit [here](#). The page has information about several of the major reform proposals, including a chart comparing them, as well as a listing of all initiatives in circulation or that have qualified for the ballot, and a white paper explaining the initiative process and deadlines. You can also find links to official documents like the measures’ Titles and Summaries and Legislative Analyst’s Office (LAO) Fiscal Analyses. CSAC staff will be updating and adding information as it becomes available, so keep checking back as we approach the November election.

### **INSTITUTE OFFERS QUALITY CLASSES AT BAY AREA LOCATION**

The CSAC Institute for Excellence in County Government is offering three of its most popular executive leadership development courses at the Alameda County Training Center in Oakland over the next few months. The three-course series includes: “Financing California Counties” on Friday, February 26; “Labor Relations in Local Government: Negotiating Contract Changes” on Friday, March 12; and “Local Governance in California” on Friday, April 23. All are held from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Each class is led by distinguished faculty who will help you expand your expertise in county governance. For more information and to register, please see the [CSAC Institute Web site](#).

### **JOIN CSAC ON . . . AND**

We encourage you to become a fan of CSAC on [Facebook](#) and follow CSAC on [Twitter](#). CSAC regularly posts new information on both social media sites. Learn the most current information about activities and events in Sacramento and elsewhere. To find CSAC on Facebook, log on and enter “California State Association of Counties” in the search area. On Twitter, log on and follow CSAC\_Counties. If you are not a member of either Facebook or Twitter, it’s easy and free to join by following the instructions on the home page.

## AROUND THE STATE

### **TERRY SCHUTTEN APPOINTED CAOAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

The County Administrative Officers Association of California (CAOAC) is pleased to announce the appointment of Terry Schutten as its new executive director. Terry, who replaces previous Executive Director John Sweeten, served as Sacramento County executive for 10 years and has four decades of public sector experience. We welcome Terry to his new position and we look forward to working closely with him.

## AROUND NACO

### **THERE'S STILL TIME TO REGISTER FOR NACo LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE**

California county supervisors are encouraged to attend the National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference held March 6-10 in Washington, D.C., at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel. There are several CSAC events throughout the conference, including a reception at Waterman and Associates, CSAC's federal advocacy firm, on March 7; a California County Caucus meeting and dinner on March 8; and a CSAC Congressional Breakfast on March 10. To register for the NACo Conference, visit [the NACo Web site](#). To attend the Waterman and Associates reception and/or the Congressional Breakfast, please email Noukla Ngamsanith at [nn@wafed.com](mailto:nn@wafed.com). To sign up for the California Caucus meeting and dinner, email Amanda Yang at [ayang@counties.org](mailto:ayang@counties.org).

### **FREE TECH SUMMIT AT NACo LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE**

NACo will be offering a free Technology Summit in conjunction with its Legislative Conference. The summit is on March 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., is designed for elected county officials and will focus on telemedicine. For more information, contact Nancy Parrish at NACo, 202/661-8824 or email: [nparrish@naco.org](mailto:nparrish@naco.org).

## WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

### **CSAC TO CO-SPONSOR SYMPOSIUM ON CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM**

Loyola Law School—Los Angeles and the *Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review* are hosting a Symposium on a California Constitutional Convention and Constitutional Reform on September 24 at the Hilton Center, Loyola Marymount University in Westchester (Los Angeles County). CSAC will be among the co-sponsors of the event, which will explore the law and policies of Constitutional reform and a possible Constitutional Convention. Panelists include former California Supreme Court justices and notable professors, lawmakers and political analysts. For more information, visit [www.calconst.org](http://www.calconst.org).

### **GREEN CALIFORNIA SUMMIT AND EXPOSITION HELD NEXT MONTH IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY**

The annual Green California Summit is slated for March 15-17 at the Sacramento Convention Center. One of the conference's goals is to support local government's efforts to meet the challenges of managing energy and water resources, and to create clean and sustainable communities throughout the state. The summit is designed to help attendees stay up to date on the policy innovations, technologies, strategies and best practices that are keeping the Golden State on the cutting edge of the green revolution. Complete registration and information can be found by [clicking here](#).

### **NATIONAL PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY**

The American Society for Public Administration will be holding its 2010 conference on April 9-13 in Santa Clara County at the San Jose Fairmont Hotel. "Invigorating Public Service for Change" is the theme. In addition to more than 100 educational offerings, there will be four larger sessions, a student and new professional summit and a welcome reception at the Tech Museum of Innovation. ASPA has represented all aspects of the public service arena since 1939. For more information on the organization and its conference, visit [www.aspanet.org](http://www.aspanet.org).

### **SIGN UP NOW FOR CALIFORNIA MUNICIPAL FINANCE CONFERENCE**

The California Municipal Finance Conference, held March 1-3, 2010 in Huntington Beach, will address the

major topics concerning the largest bond-issuing state in the nation. Aside from up-to-the-minute budget and economic updates, attendees will hear the latest news about swaps, rating agency battles and water management projects and what is being done to support the state's massive and complex highway systems. For more information and to register, [click here](#).