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**Issue Areas**

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Appointments; Budget

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Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education; Early Childhood;  
Elections and Redistricting; Higher Education; K-12 Education;  
School Facilities; Workforce Development

**Stuart Thompson**

*Chief Deputy Legislative Secretary*  
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Alcoholic Beverage Control; Boards and Commissions;  
Cannabis; Gambling, Horseracing, & Lottery; Labor;  
Pensions/CalPERS/CalSTRS; Tribal-Gaming Compacts; Workers  
Compensation

**Jessica Devencenzi**

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Corrections and Rehabilitation; Crime Victim Compensation;  
Department of Justice/Attorney General; Firearms; Judiciary;  
Public Safety

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*Deputy Legislative Secretary & Chief of  
Legislative Operations*  
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Commission on the Status of Women and Girls; Emergency  
Management/Homeland Security; Financial  
Institutions/Banking; Immigration; Military; Privacy; Solid  
Waste/Recycling; Technology; Veterans

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Aging and Long-Term Care; Developmental Services; Health;  
Health Insurance; Human Services; Public Health

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Climate/Air Quality; Conservancies; Conservation;  
Energy/Utilities/Telecommunications; Environmental  
Protection; Fish and Wildlife; Forestry and Fire; Parks and  
Recreation; State Lands Commission

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High Speed Rail; Housing and Homelessness; Insurance; Local  
Government; Transportation

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Arts Council and Film Commission; Business, Trade &  
Economic Development; California Volunteers; Fairs; Food  
and Agriculture; General Services/State Contracting;  
Pesticides and Toxics; Revenue and Taxation; Water

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