

Senator Bill Dodd (D - Davis)

3rd District

Bill Dodd represented the 4th Assembly District from 2014-16, where he led the way on legislation to deal with gender pay equity, co-wrote the law creating an Earned Income Tax Credit in California, **helped secure \$400 million for Career Technical Education throughout the state**, and worked to designate the Berryessa Snow Mountain area as a national monument. Prior to serving in the State Assembly, Dodd served on the Napa County Board of Supervisors for 14 years. He also represented the city and county of Napa on the Metropolitan transportation including a two-year term as chairman of the Commission. He has been a member of the **Justin-Siena High School Board of Trustees**, the Queen of the Valley Hospital Foundation, the American Canyon Chamber of Commerce, the Napa Rotary Club, and the Queen of the Valley Health Care for the Poor Committee. He is a founder of the Wolfe Center, a youth drug and alcohol rehabilitation center, and the founding director of the Napa County Children's Health Initiative.



Preceded By:

Lois Wolk (D)

Counties:

Contra Costa (p), Napa, Sacramento (p), Solano, Sonoma (p), Yolo (p)

Major Cities:

Davis, Fairfield, Martinez, Napa, Sonoma, Vallejo, Woodland

Term Limit: 2026

Supported By:

ACSA, EdVoice, CA Firefighters, CA Medical Association, CA Energy Companies, CA Charter Schools Association

Opposed By:

United Farm Workers

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Senator Nancy Skinner (D - Berkeley)

9th District

Nancy Skinner began her public service career in 1984 as the first and only student to be elected to the Berkeley City Council. Skinner previously served as the state representative for the 15th Assembly District from 2008-2012. In the Assembly, Skinner served as Chair of the Assembly Budget, Rules, and Natural Resources Committees. As Budget Chair she **oversaw the largest funding boost to childcare and preschool in over a decade** and increased state support to our CSU and UC systems. She is a past member of the East Bay Regional Park District Board and previously served on the Board of the East Bay Women's Political Caucus. Most recently, Skinner taught public policy at the University of California, Berkeley, focusing on policy interventions to address poverty and income inequality, and served as a Senior Policy fellow at the University of California, Davis' Energy and Transportation Institutes. She holds a both a Bachelors of Science and a Masters degree from the University of California, Berkeley.



Preceded By:

Loni Hancock (D)

Counties:

Alameda (p), Contra Costa (p)

Major Cities:

Albany, Alameda, Berkeley, El Cerrito, Emeryville, Hercules, Oakland, Piedmont, Pinole, Richmond, San Pablo, San Leandro

Term Limit: 2024

Supported By:

ACSA, CA Federation of Teachers, Equality California, CA Firefighters, CA Medical Association, SEIU, CA Energy Companies, AFL-CIO

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Senator Scott Wiener (D - San Francisco)

11th District

Scott Wiener is a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, representing the Castro, Glen Park, Noe Valley, Diamond Heights, Twin Peaks, Duboce Triangle, Buena Vista, Corona Heights and parts of the Mission. Before being elected to the Board of Supervisors in 2010, Wiener served as a Deputy City Attorney in the San Francisco City Attorney's Office, where he represented San Francisco in court and supervised a team of trial attorneys. Wiener served as Chairman of the San Francisco Democratic Party and is currently an elected member of the Democratic County Central Committee. Wiener has **worked closely with the San Francisco Unified School District and with individual public schools**, helping obtain funding for after school programs, for better access in schools to water bottle filling stations, and for better support for LGBT students. He holds a bachelor's degree from Duke University and a law degree from Harvard Law School.



Preceded By:

Mark Leno (D)

Counties:

San Francisco (p), San Mateo (p)

Major Cities:

Daly City, Pacifica, San Francisco

Term Limit: 2028

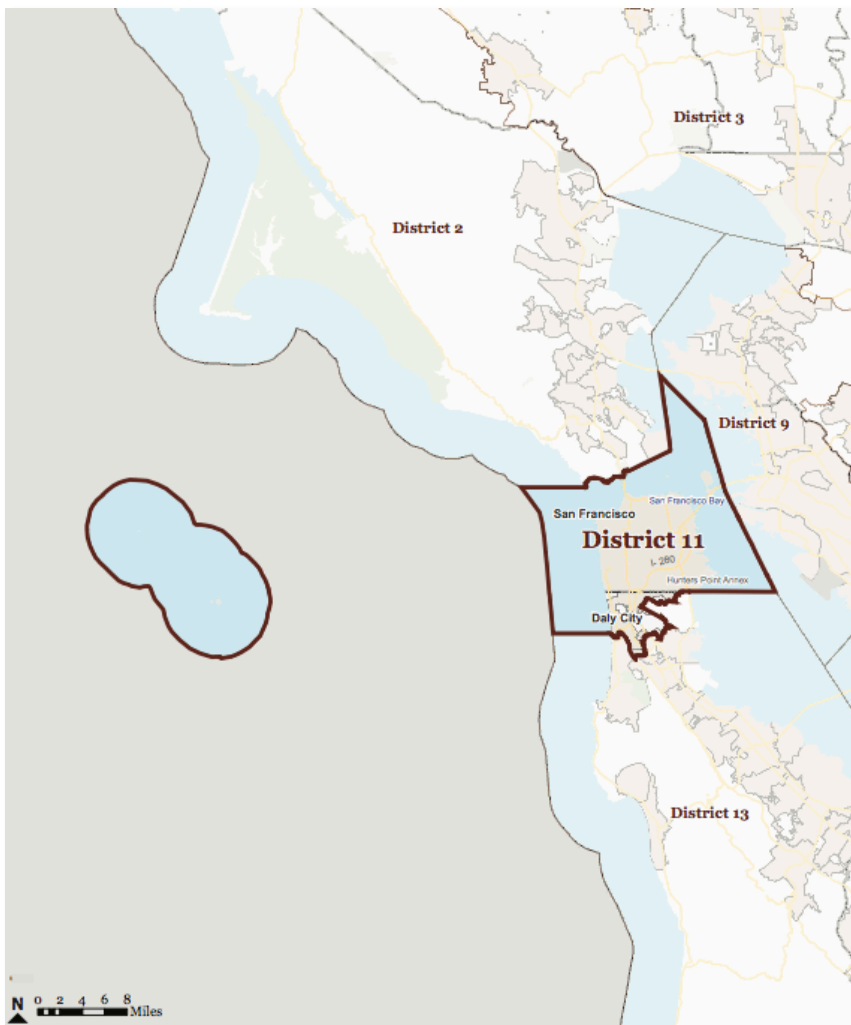
Supported By:

Equality California, CA Charter Schools Association, EdVoice

Opposed By:

CTA, CA School Employees Association, AFL-CIO, CA Nurses Association

[website link](#)



Senator Scott Wilk (R - Lancaster)

21st District

Scott Wilk has represented the 38th Assembly District since 2012. While in the State Assembly, Wilk co-authored AB 1839, the California Film and Television Job Retention and Promotion Act, and AB 2389 and SB 718, a \$420 million tax incentive that helped land a \$60 billion aerospace contract expected to create 6,500 new jobs in the High Desert. Wilk also worked across the aisle to co-author Prop 1, which will build new water storage and convenience systems in California. In addition to his tenure in the California State Assembly, Wilk served six years on the College of Canyons Board of Trustees, spent six years as Chief of Staff to former California Assembly members Tom McClintock and Paula Boland, and was appointed by Palmdale Mayor Pete Knight to be a trustee on the Palmdale Library Board. Wilk also served as Vice President of the Legislative and Regulatory Affairs for an assisted living company and managed the California New Car Dealers Association.



Preceded By:
Sharon Runner (R)

Counties:
Los Angeles (p), San Bernardino (p)

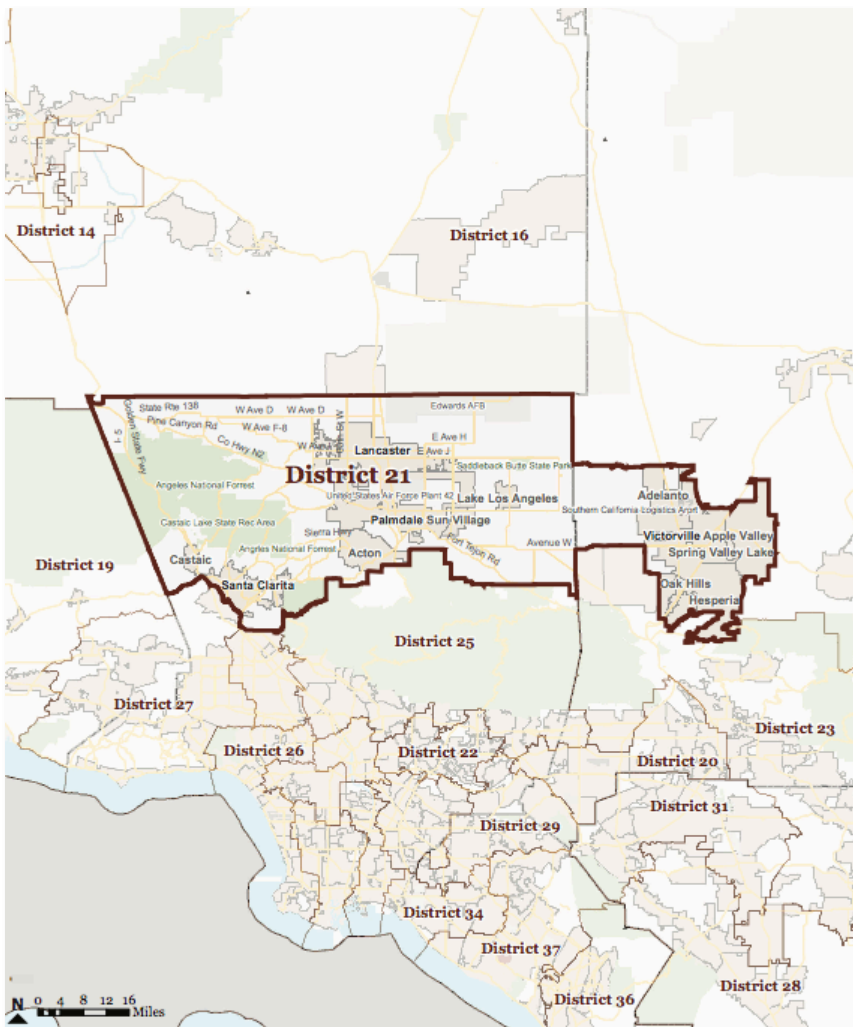
Major Cities:
Apple Valley, Hesperia, Lancaster, Palmdale, Santa Clarita, Victorville

Term Limit: 2024

Supported By:
CA Hospital Association, CA Building Industry Association, CA Medical Association, Cal Fire

Opposed By:
Planned Parenthood

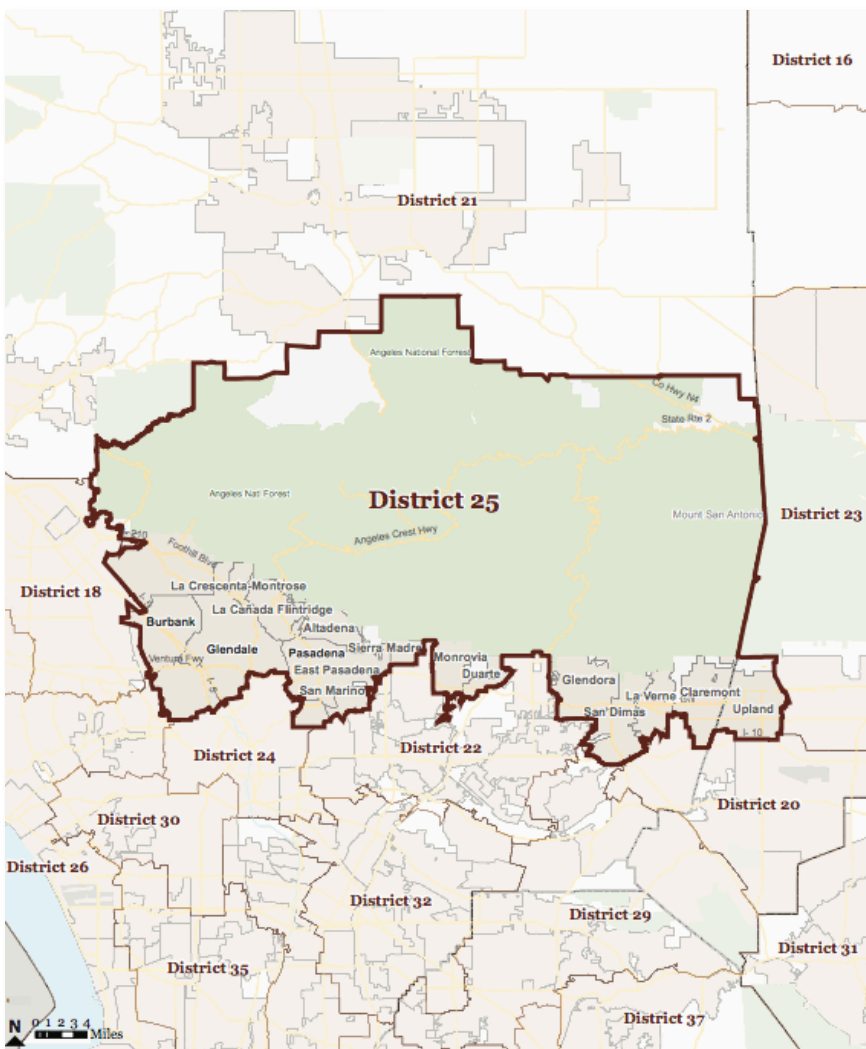
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Senator Anthony Portantino (D - La Cañada Flintridge)

25th District

Anthony Portantino represented the 44th Assembly District for three terms, from 2006-12. In his first Assembly term, Portantino was appointed Chair of the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and pushed for system-wide accountability standards and more transparency in how public colleges and universities conduct their business. Portantino also **led efforts to open up community colleges to more high schools students through concurrent enrollment and academic partnerships** and to improve access to financial aid for community college students. After leaving public office, Portantino joined the University of Southern California first as a Legislator in Residence and then as a Visiting Fellow at the Unruh Institute of Politics, where he focuses on mentoring the next generation of student leaders, public policy solutions, government reform, and teaching “values based political leadership.”



Preceded By:

Carol Liu (D)

Counties:

Los Angeles (p), San Bernardino (p)

Major Cities:

Altadena, Arcadia, Burbank, Claremont, Duarte, Glendale, Glendora, La Cañada Flintridge, Pasadena, San Dimas, San Marino, South Pasadena, Upland

Term Limit: 2024

Supported By:

ACSA, CTA, Equality California, CA School Employees Association, Classified Employees of CA School Employees SEIU, CA Medical Association, CA Firefighters

[website link](#)

Senator Henry Stern (D - Agoura Hills)

27th District

An educator and environmental attorney, Henry Stern is the senior policy advisor to State Senator Fran Pavley. With Senator Pavley, Stern advanced bipartisan measures to balance the budget, respond to the drought, **revitalize California's education system**, ensure safer communities, and update California's energy policy for the 21st century. Most recently, Stern spearheaded efforts to clean up the gas leak in Porter Ranch and crafted the landmark climate legislation, SB 32. Prior to joining Senator Pavley's Office, Stern served as counsel to Congressman Henry Waxman, advised clean energy businesses, civil rights groups, and universities as an environmental attorney, and advocated for juvenile justice. Stern also teaches law at the University of California, Los Angeles, volunteers at his local Boys & Girls Club, and is a member of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. He holds a Bachelors degree from Harvard University and a law degree from the University of California, Berkeley's Boalt School of Law.



Preceded By:

Fran Pavley (D)

Counties:

Los Angeles (p), Ventura (p)

Major Cities:

Agoura, Calabasas, Encino, Malibu, Moorpark, Sherman Oaks, Simi Valley, Tarzana, Thousand Oaks, Van Nuys, Woodland Hills

Term Limit: 2028

Supported By:

California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO

Opposed By:

CA Dental Association, CA Association of Realtors

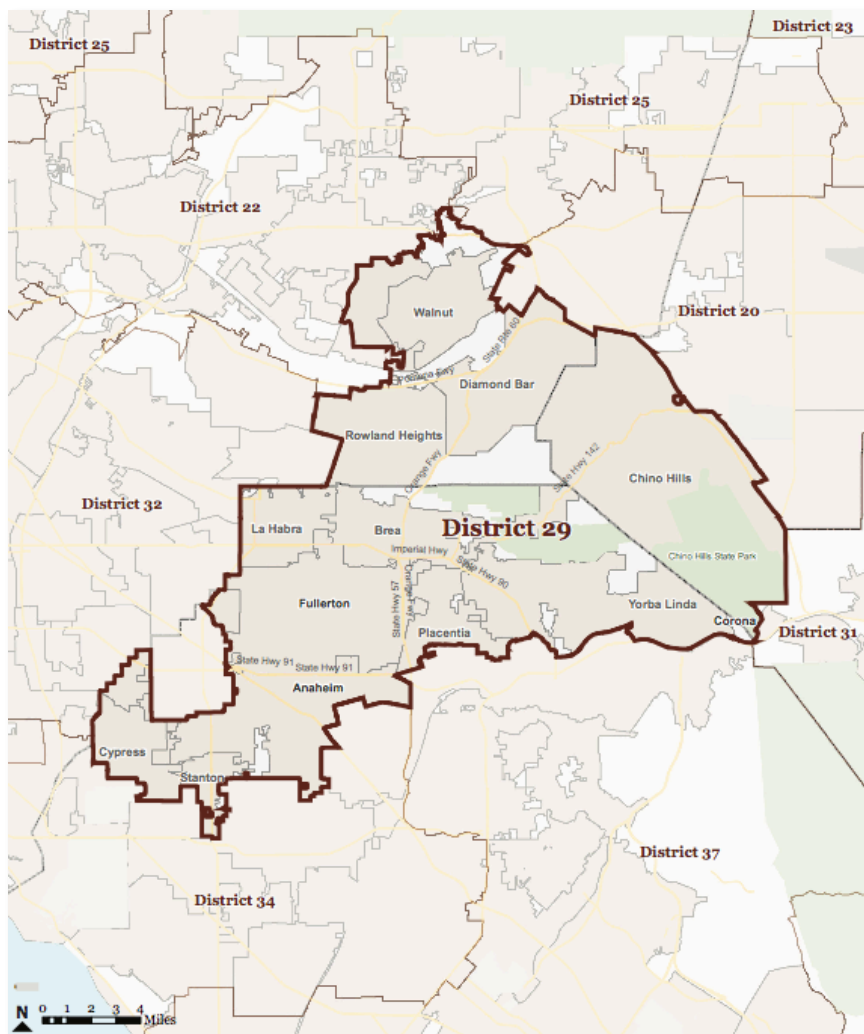
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Senator Josh Newman (D- San Dimas)

29th District

Josh Newman is the Executive Director of ArmedForce2Workforce, a non-profit organization he founded in 2012 to assist young veterans returning to the Orange County/Greater Los Angeles area in pursuit of career-oriented employment upon completion of their military service. Prior to founding ArmedForce2Workforce, Newman worked in local government, marketing and public relations, film and video production, and held executive and consulting positions with a number of technology start-ups in the mobile and internet media technology spheres. After graduating from Yale University, Newman served as an officer in the United States Army, where his active duty assignments included time in South Korea with a nuclear weapons detachment and conventional artillery units in the 25th Infantry Division. He currently serves as the 1st Vice Chair of the California Democratic Party Veterans Caucus as well as the Chair of its Legislative Committee.



Preceded By:

Bob Huff (R)

Counties:

Los Angeles (p), Orange (p),
San Bernardino (p)

Major Cities:

Anaheim, Brea, Buena Park,
Chino Hills, Cypress, Diamond
Bar, Fullerton, La Habra, La
Palma, Placentia, Rowland
Heights, Stanton, Walnut, Wes
Covina, Yorba Linda

Term Limit: 2028

Supported By:

CTA, CA Federation of
Teachers, CA School
Employees Association, CA
Labor Federation

Opposed By:

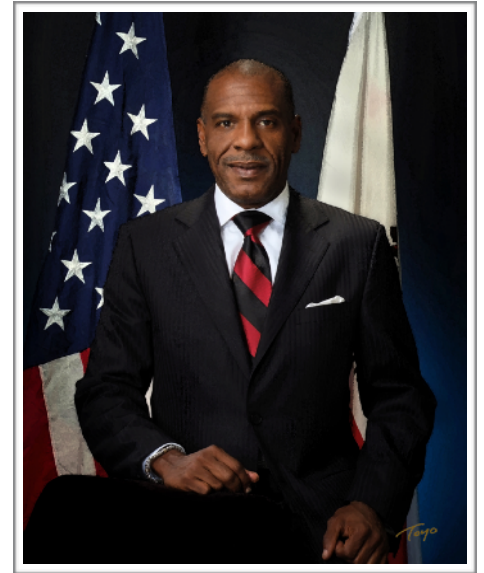
Jobs PAC, CA Medical
Association

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Senator Steven Bradford (D - Compton)

35th District

Steven Bradford previously served in the California State Assembly, representing the 51st Assembly District from 2009-2012 then, after redistricting, the 62nd Assembly District from 2012-2014. While in the Assembly, Bradford served as Chair of the Assembly Committee on Utilities & Commerce, where he authored legislation to promote renewable, clean energy. Prior to being elected to State Assembly, Bradford was the first African American elected to the Gardena City Council, on which he served for 12 years. Before beginning his career in local and state government, Bradford worked as a public affairs manager for Southern California Edison, a marketing representative for IBM, a Program Director for the Los Angeles Conservation Corp., and a solid waste director for the City of Compton, where he established the city's first curbside recycling program. He earned his Bachelors degree in Political Science from California State University, Dominguez Hills and San Diego State University.



Preceded By:
Isadore Hall, III (D)

Counties:
Los Angeles (p)

Major Cities:
Carson, Compton, Gardena, Harbor City, Hawthorne, Inglewood, Lawndale, South Los Angeles, San Pedro, Torrance

Term Limit: 2024

Supported By:
CA Medical Association, CA Nurses Association, CA Energy Companies

[website link](#)



Senator Toni Atkins (D - San Diego)

39th District

Toni Atkins represented the 78th Assembly District from 2010-16, serving as the 69th Speaker of the California Assembly from 2014-2016. While she was Speaker, California delivered a balanced budget, invested more dollars to help provide affordable housing, **fought to increase education spending**, and helped stop a 27% tuition increase on UC campuses. As an Assembly Member, Atkins authored laws to help small businesses, preserve dignity for transgender individuals, assist victims of domestic violence, protect our environment, address California's housing and homeless crisis, and strengthen family justice centers. Atkins first began serving the San Diego community in the mid-1980s as director of clinic services at Womancare Health Center and later as a San Diego City Council member from 2000-2008 and acting Mayor in 2005. She holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Emory & Henry College and completed the senior executive program at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.



Preceded By:
Marty Block (D)

Counties:
San Diego (p)

Major Cities:
Coronado, Del Mar, La Jolla,
San Diego, Solana Beach

Term Limit: 2024

Supported By:
Equality California, CA
Federation of Teachers, United
Federation of Teachers, CA
Charter Schools Association,
CA Medical Association, CA
Firefighters, CA Hospital
Association

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