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#### **CAPITOL WATCHDOG**

Each year, CalChamber tracks more than 3,000 legislative proposals on behalf of member businesses.

### **MAJOR VICTORIES**

CalChamber scores major victories for employers through targeted advocacy and political action. See www.calchamber.com/majorvictories

### **ABOUT US**

CalChamber is the largest broad-based business advocate in California, working at the state and federal levels to influence government actions affecting all California business. As a not-for-profit, we leverage our front-line knowledge of laws and regulations to provide affordable and easy-to-use compliance products and services.

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# **Advocacy Return on Investment**

## 2018 Sample Return on Investment for CalChamber Members

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Expansion of sales tax to services stopped (SB 993)	\$49 billion
New health care bureaucracy stopped (AB 3087)	\$18 billion
Massive increase in corporate tax rate (10 percentage points) stopped (ACA	22) \$14.4 billion
Split roll property tax initiative delayed to 2020 ballot	\$10.5 billion
Transportation infrastructure funding investment protected (Proposition 6)	\$5 billion
New 1% tax on millionnaires stopped (AB 2351)	\$2.1 billion
Increased film production from extension of motion picture tax credit (AB 1734/SB 951/SB 871)	\$1.9 billion
Increase in corporate tax rate for publicly traded corporations/financial institutions stopped (SB 1398)	\$350 million
New tax on opioids stopped (AB 2486)	\$100 million
Increased health care premiums from expansion of dental general anesthesia coverage stopped (AB 2643)	\$42.8 million
Increased health care premiums averted by veto of bill eliminating cost containment mechanisms (AB 2384)	\$24.68 million
Unnecessary Cal/OSHA inspections related to worker blood lead levels stopped (AB 2963)	\$7.1 million
Increased energy costs from expanded intervenor compensation in utility rate cases stopped (AB 2431)	\$6.3 million
Increased health care premiums averted by veto of change in how autism services are provided (SB 399)	\$4.6 million
Increased permitting fees from new regulatory board stopped (SB 774)	\$3 million
Tax increase on punitive damages stopped (SB 66)	\$1.2 million
Total Definable Return	\$101.44 Billion

## **Return Per California Employee**

\$6,792

## Other Savings from Legislation Stopped, Amended or Enacted

Ban on mandatory arbitration for all labor and employment claims vetoed (AB 3080)

\$10 million per class action

Stand-alone private right of action for failure to prevent harassment/discrimination removed from bill (SB 1300) \$125,000 per discrimination claim prevented

Legislation protecting employers from defamation lawsuits for investigating sexual harassment cases and informing potential employers of the findings signed into law (AB 2770) \$70,000 per lawsuit prevented

Mandated rolling data breach notification stopped (AB 2182) \$70,000 per lawsuit prevented

Initiative worsening housing crisis rejected by voters (Proposition 10)

Hundreds of \$ millions annually in replacement taxes passed by local governments

Initiative jeopardizing access to kidney dialysis rejected by voters (Proposition 8)

Hundreds of \$ millions annually in higher taxpayer costs for treating kidney dialysis patients when clinics are forced to close

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