



Advocacy in Action 2025

CalChamber's advocacy team brings the voice of its member businesses into the halls of power in Sacramento, ensuring that state leaders fully understand the economic impacts of their decisions.

The results in 2025 show a real, measurable return on the investment in an advocacy membership.

Economic Impact Snapshot: \$250 Billion

At the end of every legislative year, CalChamber samples the potential costs avoided, or savings achieved for California businesses and their customers.

This year's return on investing in an advocacy membership is valued at close to \$250 billion. That's more than \$16,000 per employee in California's private sector.

CalChamber Advocacy Issues with Avoided Costs

\$150 BILLION: Retroactive penalties for lawful business activities (SB 684, AB 1243)

\$42.6 BILLION: Climate-related disaster liability costs (SB 222)

\$34 BILLION: Corporate tax rate increase to nearly double the rate for targeted employers (SB 573)

\$9.7 BILLION: Climate disclosure for apparel companies (AB 405)

\$4.7 BILLION: Unworkable, costly stormwater permit mandate and lawsuit exposure (AB 1313)

\$2.5 BILLION: Limits on the use of automated decision systems (AB 1018)

\$2.4 BILLION: Costly, impractical restrictions on automated decision systems by employers of all sizes (SB 7)

\$1.6 BILLION: Costly workers' compensation changes for public and private hospitals (SB 632)

\$1.4 BILLION: Tax on digital advertising (AB 796)

CalChamber Advocacy Issues with Enacted Savings

\$1 BILLION: Approval of California's participation in expanded regional electricity market (AB 825)

\$200 MILLION: Customers can continue to enjoy pricing discounts including loyalty programs thanks to defeat of new restrictions (AB 446)

CAPITOL WATCHDOG

Each year, the CalChamber tracks close to 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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