

Assembly Bill 1062

Assembly Bill 1062 would have removed language that penalizes design-build entities in the prequalification process that intend to request apprentices from state-approved programs with less than five straight years of graduates. This provision puts contractors at a disadvantage who have an agreement with recently-approved programs. The language would have been replaced with a requirement that the design-build entity simply indicate the state-approved program from which it intends to request apprentices.

Assembly Bill 1063

Assembly Bill 1063 would have removed language that allows a contractor with a poor safety record to be ““acceptable”” if it is part of an alternative dispute resolution program that by law is restricted to contractors in a collective bargaining agreement or project labor agreement. ABC of California believes that all design-build entities should have a decent safety record, without exceptions.

Assembly Bill 1064

Assembly Bill 1064 would have eliminated language that allows local agencies to exempt themselves from a labor compliance program requirement if they have a project labor agreement in place. ABC of California does not see any reason why a project labor agreement negates the need for labor compliance. In addition, such language creates an artificial argument that a project labor agreement would “save money” by relieving the local agency of a state mandate.