

City of Chino

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS UPDATE (Attachment 1)

As of September 5, 2025

FEDERAL UPDATE

Federal Budget

The House and Senate returned to DC on September 2 with one urgent priority -- funding the government before the September 30 fiscal year deadline. Congress left for the August recess without finalizing a single FY26 appropriations bill. The House has just 11 more days, and the Senate 12 days, scheduled in this session before the September 30 funding deadline. They will be on recess from September 20 until September 28 for Rosh Hashanah. The federal Fiscal Year 2026 begins on October 1.

It now appears that a continuing resolution (CR) will be enacted. There is discussion about a six-week CR until mid-November to allow time for the remaining FY 2026 appropriations bills to be passed. The status of the appropriations bills can be found at <https://www.congress.gov/crs-appropriations-status-table>.

If there is no CR, a federal government shutdown is possible. There is also discussion about a year-long continuing resolution (CR) as an option for Fiscal Year 2026, given the difficulty of negotiating a bipartisan spending deal. Some proposals suggest including Community Project Funding (earmarks) in the CR.

Other Federal Items

Department of War

President Donald Trump is expected to issue an order to change the Department of Defense's name to the Department of War. The Department of Defense's name is set in law, so it will require action by Congress to formally change it. No cost estimates have been released for the name change.

Elections

30 Members of the House and Senate have decided against seeking reelection — more than at the same point in the last four election cycles. That includes seven Senators and 23 Members of the House.

Retirement Savings Order

President Trump signed an executive order that opens retirement accounts to private investments and prohibits banks from denying services to certain industries or groups based on perceived risks associated with working with them. The retirement savings order would allow participants in company 401(k) plans and other defined-contribution plans to invest in alternative assets, such as private equity, real estate, digital assets, infrastructure projects, and lifetime income investment strategies, including longevity risk-sharing pools.

Census

President Trump has ordered the Commerce Department to begin working on a new census, emphasizing that those who are in the country illegally should not be counted in the total.

STATE UPDATE

California Redistricting Election

The California Legislature passed ACA 8, a proposed constitutional amendment that would allow voters to decide whether to adopt new congressional district maps that favor Democrats. The measure will appear on the November 4, 2025, special election ballot as Proposition 50. Governor Gavin Newsom

supported the measure and signed accompanying legislation to fund and organize the special election. The move is part of a broader partisan battle over control of the U.S. House of Representatives. The legislation was framed as a response to Republican-led redistricting in states like Texas, which aims to increase Republican representation in Congress.

An emergency petition by state Republican lawmakers to block the special election on redistricting was denied by the State Supreme Court.

Update on California's Legislative Session

Upon returning from summer recess on August 18, the Legislature entered the final stretch of the first year of the two-year legislative session. The Assembly and Senate Appropriations Committees held their suspense hearings, determining which of the bills in the respective suspense files (those that would cost the state at least \$50,000 in the Senate and \$150,000 in the Assembly) would be passed out of the committees and proceed through the legislative process. While a significant number were held, the majority of the bills in the files passed out of both committees.

Now through adjournment, both houses will conduct floor sessions only. No committees can meet for any purpose, except the Rules Committee, bills referred pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.2, and Conference Committees. Each house has until September 12 to pass bills.

TRACKED STATE LEGISLATION REPORT (Attachment 2)

This item provides a report on state legislation currently being tracked by the City of Chino as of the current date. The positions noted on bills are based on the City Council's adopted Legislative Policy. Additional positions may be taken, or existing positions may be modified based on direction from the Legislative Committee or City Council. Two reports are included, covering the same measures – one organized by subject categories and the other by measure number.

POSITION LETTERS & MAJOR ISSUES (Attachment 3)

The City of Chino has submitted the following letters since the last update.

- AB 1231 (Elhawary), Oppose (2 letters)
- Governor Newsom - Delta Conveyance Streamlining, Support
- SB 79 (Wiener), Oppose
- SB 274 (Cervantes), Oppose (3 letters)
- SB 707 (Durazo), Oppose

CHINO CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

The Legislative Policy Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

STATE LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR – Recent and Upcoming Legislative Deadlines

- Sept. 5 - Last day to amend on the Floor.
- Sept. 12 - Last day for each house to pass bills. Interim Recess begins upon adjournment.
- Oct. 12 - Last day for the Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature before Sept. 12 and in the Governor's possession on or after Sept. 12.