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I do not oppose or support these Bills. I list the Bills so my readers are informed about legislation that can affect them and others.

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Legislation:

AB 168-S. Eggman-Equal Pay: Would bar employers from asking about the applicant's previous salary to decide what their offer would be. It also requires employers to furnish a pay range for positions requested.

Supporters are Susan Eggman & Sharon Quirk-Silva.

NOTE: Non Supporters: Travis Allan, William Bough, Phillip Chen, Steven Choi, & Matthew Harper & Sen. John Moorlach. **Absent:** Tom Daly.

SB 100--K.de Leon-Renewable Energy: Would boost the 2030 target to 60% renewables & be carbon-free by 2045. *Governor Brown* has promised to spend \$1 Billion to reduce air pollution, promote electric cars, clean trucks, agricultural emissions & prevent forest fires

.Did You Know:

Military Spouse Hiring Preference Expanded: On August 8, 2017, the United States Office of Personnel Management implemented a VFW-supported provision in the *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017*, which expanded the time military spouses are eligible for federal hiring preferences following a permanent change of station. This authority allows federal agencies to noncompetitively appoint eligible spouses to fill vacancies. Before this change hiring preference for military spouses was limited to a two-year period following a service member's permanent change of station.

Forever GI Bill Now LawThe VFW is proud to have played a key role in the passage of the **Forever GI Bill**, which includes research conducted by two VFW-Students Veterans of America (SVA) Legislative Fellows. The *Forever GI Bill ensures hardworking student veterans receive the benefits they have earned, expands access and eligibility, and provides unparalleled support.*

The Irvine City Council on June 6, 2017 approved the site swap of the original 125 acre parcel in the Great Park for farm land near the I -5 and I 405 to become the Orange County Veterans Cemetery. Five Point will help the State and City start the building process.

Fall Open Enrollment runs from *October 15 through December 7, 2017* and it's a time when you can make changes to your Medicare coverage

.During Fall Open enrollment, you can:

- Join a new Medicare Advantage Plan
- Join a new Part D prescription drug plan
- Switch from Original Medicare to a Medicare Advantage Plan
- Switch from a Medicare Advantage Plan to Original Medicare

Between **October 15 and December 7, 2017**, you can make as many changes as you need to your Medicare coverage. *The final change that you make will go into effect on January 1, 2018.*

LAUS DEO

Do you know what it means?

So, what do those two words, in Latin, composed of just four syllables and only seven letters, possibly mean? Very simply, they say 'Praise be to God!'

Where? On the aluminum cap, atop the Washington Monument are displayed the two words: ***Laus Deo.***

DIY Produce Wash Make your own solution to clean fruits and veggies before you eat them – even if you're buying organic produce.

- Mix 2 cups of water with ½ cup white distilled vinegar and the juice of 1 lemon, and voila! You've got an easy and inexpensive way to make sure your produce is clean.
- Vinegar combined with lemon juice kills bacteria and washes away any remaining pesticides and dirt.
- Make sure you store the mixture in the fridge, to keep the lemon juice fresh. ***Donated by JoJo Harmon***

“Today is the oldest you've ever been, yet the youngest you'll ever be!. So enjoy this day while it lasts.” Tony Rodella, SCAC

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