On September 15, the last day of the 2017 session, the California Legislature responded to the state’s housing crisis by passing over one dozen bills in a landmark housing package developed together with Governor Jerry Brown’s office. The Governor signed all of the bills on September 29. In addition, the Governor signed several other housing-related bills after the September 29th bill signing ceremony.

The package raises more money for affordable housing—much of it designated for local government—in exchange for requirements to "streamline" housing development approvals. Although most press reports discussed only three of the bills, SB 2, SB 3, and SB 35, many significant changes are contained in more obscure bills that received little publicity.

Together, the bills will require each city and county to change the way it processes housing applications.

We have prepared a detailed analysis of each bill, which is provided here, or visit the publications page of our website at www.goldfarbnilipman.com.

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