On September 1, hundreds of new laws will take effect. Those include more than 300 city-related pieces of legislation. Many of those won’t affect most cities, but several require action. The League has prepared articles (and papers or Q&As) on those. Here is a quick list of bills that are effective now or will be on September 1 and links to those articles:

- **H.B. 305**: Various website posting requirements.
- **H.B. 347**: No more unilateral annexation and annexation update.
- **H.B. 852**: Residential building permit fee may not be based on home value.
- **H.B. 1177**: Carrying of firearms during disaster and firearms update.
- **H.B. 1495/S.B. 65**: Lobby conflicts reporting.
- **H.B. 1495**: Lobby expenditures budget reporting.
- **H.B. 2439**: Building materials limitations.
- **H.B. 2826**: Contingent legal fee contracts and procurement update.
• **H.B. 2840:** Mandatory public comments on posted agenda items.

• **H.B. 3167:** Subdivision plat approval “shot clock.”

• **S.B. 241:** Energy usage reduction goals.

• **S.B. 476:** Dogs are allowed on restaurant patios.

• **S.B. 1152:** Provider can stop paying lower of telephone or video franchise fees on January 1.

• **S.B. 1303:** City maps need to be updated.

All of the city-related bills that passed are summarized by category in the June 7, 2019, “final wrap up edition” of the Legislative Update. Also, the League has prepared a Q&A on S.B. 2, the session’s Property Tax Reform bill, but that bill isn’t effective until next year.

### FCC Cable Franchise Order

Last week, the League reported on a Federal Communications Commission order that could mean a loss of franchise fee revenue for some cities. The order has now been published in the Federal Register, meaning it will become effective on September 26, 2019.