**LAFCO implements**

**Corteze-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (Government Code Section 56000 et seq.)**

LAFCOs’ responsibilities are defined by this statute that creates the Commission, mandates its activities and grants it legal authority.

**The Ralph M. Brown Open Meeting Law**
*(Government Code Section 54950 et seq.)*

LAFCO meetings are subject to this State Open Meeting Law. The Commission conducts its business in public.

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)**
*(Public Resource Code Section 21000 et seq.)*

LAFCOs are subject to State environmental policies, procedures and public participation rules in environmental matters.

**California Revenue and Taxation Code**
*(Revenue & Taxation Code Section 99 et seq.)*

LAFCOs commence property tax negotiations among agencies affected by a change of organization and establish the amounts of property tax revenues to be distributed to new cities and districts.

NOTE: To access State Codes on the Internet go to [www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html) and follow the instructions for locating specific sections.