

# US SIF Summer 2025 Policy Webinar

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Updates on the latest from Washington and beyond

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# **Today's Speakers**



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# Today's Agenda

### What We've Been Up To

Forum 2025 and Capitol Hill Day

### **Federal Updates**

- Clean Energy Tax Incentives (OBBB)
- ERISA
- Shareholder Process / Proxy Advisors

### **State Updates**

- Anti and Pro ESG Legislation
- CARB Update
- Texas Laws

### **Looking Ahead**

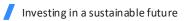
• SEC Reg-flex agenda, appropriations

### Q&A



### **2025 Capitol Hill Day**

- 60 participants
- 32 meetings
- Key issues: clean energy tax credits, shareholder rights, CDFIs, and the House Sustainable Investment Caucus



# Upcoming Hill Day – September 16, 2025

Join US SIF and our coalition partners to advocate on Capitol Hill

#### **Topics include defending the:**

- Freedom to invest responsibly
- Shareholder proposal process
- Long-term value and fiduciary duty



# **Federal Policy**

Clean energy tax incentives, shareholder rights, ERISA



# Roll Backs on Clean Energy Tax Credits

### One, Big, Beautiful Bill - Reconciliation Bill

- Wind and solar tax credits targeted
  - Early phase out
  - Prohibited foreign entity restrictions
- Places 53-59% of new clean power generating capacity at risk over the next decade

### **Executive Orders**

- Treasury Dept. potential change to definitions
- Interior Dept. memo additional scrutiny for approvals

# **Shareholder Process / Proxy Advisors**



## Legislation

- House FSC bill package
- Texas bills (covered later)



### **Court Cases**

- ISS v. SEC
- New case in MO

# **ERISA Updates**



H.R. 2988



# Dept. of Labor Rule Rewrite



# State Updates

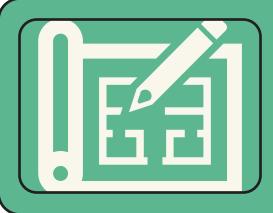
State legislative session summary, CA, and more

### **State Legislative Session Insights**



### **Anti-ESG Bills**

- 106 Anti-ESG bills introduced in 32 states
- 11 bills passed in 10 states (AR, FL, ID, KY, MO, OH, OK, TX, WV, WY)



### **Active Regulation**

 Rules implementing CA Climate Disclosure Rules are in progress – new updates from CARB

# California Air Resources Board Updates

Climate-related disclosures: SB 253, SB 261, and SB 219

#### Timeline

#### Dec. 2024

- Start comment period
- Enforcement Advisory

#### May 2025

Public workshop

#### **July 2025**

Release of FAQ doc

#### **End of 2025**

Final rule expected

### **Reporting Deadlines**

#### January 1, 2026

Climate-related financial risk report

#### **TBD 2026**

Scope 1 and 2 reporting with limited assurance

#### **TBD 2027**

Scope 3 reporting

### **Some Key Issues**

#### **Who Reports**

- "Doing business in CA"
- "Total annual revenue"
- Exemptions

#### **Reporting Framework**

- Assurance levels
- Interoperability
- Future developments

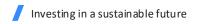
#### **Future opportunities**

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#### Read:

US SIF comment analysis to be released this week



### **Texas: Consequential Laws**

SB 2337: Regulation of Proxy Advisory Services

Attack on ISS and Glass Lewis

Broad definition of "proxy advisor"

SB 1057: Heightened Ownership Thresholds for Shareholder Proposals

\$1 million in shares or 3% of all shares

+6 months ownership

Solicit +67% of the voting power of shares



# Expectations

**SEC** and Appropriations



# **Looking Ahead**

### Reg Flex Agenda

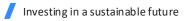
- Atkins first agenda
- DOL timing on ERISA

### **Appropriations**

Approps subcommittee fund CDFI Fund at \$276.6M (US SIF ask at \$324M)

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This Week in Washington Policy Updates



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## This Week in Washington

Every Monday, hear from the US SIF Policy Team about the emerging stories and what we're watching across Capitol Hill, the White House, and the courts



# Questions & Answers

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