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FOREWORD

These new volumes contain a part of the Business and Professions Code as amended and supplemented through the end of the laws of the 1973 Regular Session of the Legislature.

Numerous changes and additions affecting the subject matter covered by these volumes have been made by the Legislature in recent years to cope with problems relating to the healing arts, and to professions and vocations. These enactments, pertinent judicial constructions of the law, and other annotative materials have been integrated with existing provisions and interpretations to simplify and facilitate use of the Code.

These volumes preserve and expand the practical utility of West's Annotated California Codes by the development of new annotative material and by continuation of all the standard outstanding practice features.

These features are numerous and include:

Court Constructions, State and Federal, giving both facts and the law.

Historical Notes showing the source and tracing the development of the law.

References to California Code Forms.

Law Review references which facilitate research by directing attention to pertinent articles and commentaries.

Opinions of the Attorney General.

References to the Official Administrative Code.

Time-saving Cross References to qualifying or related laws.

Library References to the Digests, C.J.S., Commission Recommendations, and Committee Reports.

A comprehensive and detailed Index prepared by the Publisher is included at the end of the Code to provide a ready means of access to the text of the law.

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The present system of Codes in California was anticipated by the enactment in 1872 of the Civil Code, the Code of Civil Procedure, the Penal Code, and the Political Code. The first three of these Codes are still in existence, but the subject matter of the Political Code is now largely covered by the Government Code.

The intensive codification program which produced the current set of Codes was launched in 1929 with the enactment of Stats.1929, c. 750, and was completed in 1953 with the enactment of the Unemployment Insurance Code. The set then consisted of twenty-five Codes including the three enacted in 1872. The total was increased to twenty-seven with the adoption of the Commercial Code in 1963, and of the Evidence Code in 1965.

Stats.1929, c. 750, which launched the codification program, created the California Code Commission, and charged it with the duty of revising all laws of the state. The work of revision was to comprehend the preparation of a statutory record showing the status and disposition of acts theretofore adopted, the codification, consolidation, compilation or revision of all statutes in force; and the express repeal of all statutes theretofore repealed by implication, held unconstitutional, or rendered obsolete by the revision. The final report of the Code Commission was submitted September 1, 1953.

An essential preliminary part of the Code Commission's work was the preparation of a statutory record showing origin, amendments, and repeals of state laws enacted since 1850. The first volume of Statutory Record was published in 1933. Thereafter a supplementary volume was published for the period 1933-1948, another for the period 1949-1958, and another for the period 1959-1968. The Record is supplemented and brought to date in each volume of the session laws.

The California Law Revision Commission was created in 1953 (Government Code § 10300) and charged with the duty of recommending changes deemed necessary to eliminate defects and anachronisms, to modify or eliminate antiquated and inequitable rules of law, and to bring the law into harmony with modern conditions (Government Code § 10330). The recommendations of the Commission have resulted in the enactment of numerous revisions of, as well as additions to, the law.

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Publication of West's California Codes was announced in 1954. This is a completely annotated edition which is supplemented by means of pocket parts and pamphlets.

The official Codes incorporate all the general and permanent legislative law of California. West's Annotated Codes contain additionally the text of—

Initiative Measures—

Chiropractic Act (Business and Professions Code, § 1000-1 et seq.)

Daylight Savings Time Law (Government Code § 6807-1 et seq.)

Osteopathic Law (Business and Professions Code, § 3600-1 et seq.)

Usury Law (Civil Code § 1916-1 et seq.)

Uncodified laws of general interest—

See, for example, the Appendix to the Public Utilities Code

Water district laws—

See the Appendix to the Water Code

General and permanent laws are enacted currently in California as additions to or amendments of the Codes. The code section numbers, as well as Division, Part, Chapter, and Article headings, where appropriate, are included in the laws as enacted. However, section headings for West's Codes are prepared by the West editorial staff, except for certain headings which are supplied by the Office of Legislative Counsel.

Subsequent to their original enactment several of the Codes have been repealed in their entirety and reenacted. These are—

Code	Originally enacted	Reenacted
Agricultural ¹	1933	1967
Education	1943	1959
Elections	1939	1961
Fish and Game	1933	1957
Vehicle	1935	1959

Research has been complicated in California by the enactment and reenactment of new Codes, Divisions, Parts, and Chapters in which subject matter is revised, transferred or repealed, and the same section numbers are used over again to identify different text. The problem thus created is solved in West's California Codes by the inclusion of Conversion Tables, italicized notes, and historical notes containing

¹ Renamed the "Food and Agricultural Code" in 1972.

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explanatory matter and derivation credits, all of which combine to trace the law from its origin to the present, and from the present law to its source. Depending on their size and scope, the Tables are inserted at the beginning of volumes or at the head of chapters.

The means for finding a particular Code section are provided by—

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The user of the General Index should examine both main volume and pocket part, and, having found his reference, should look for his section in both pocket part and main volume of the Code cited.

The pocket parts for West's California Codes supplement both the text and the annotative materials in the main volumes. Annotated pamphlets, normally issued twice a year, supplement only annotative features. Legislative service pamphlets, issued during legislative sessions as often as is necessary to provide prompt service, supplement the text of the Codes. Cumulative Tables and an Index in each legislative service pamphlet enable the user to find amendments of existing sections and to identify and locate newly enacted laws.

The development of the California Codes reflects the progressive posture of the California Legislators and of other energetic and enlightened individuals with an interest in the future of the state. The rapid increase in population caused in large part by migratory movement has created ecological, economic, and social problems which have been difficult to solve. The legislative solutions, to the extent that control and regulation can be effective, are found in the pages of the California Codes.

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