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Bruce Jennings currently serves as one of the senior advisors to the California Legislature; his principal task involves analyzing and providing recommendations on dozens of legislative proposals that are scheduled for hearing before the Senate Environmental Quality Committee.

Following the completion of his doctoral degree at the University of Hawai'i, Bruce joined the Legislature in 1984 as a Senate Fellow and worked during the next several years at the Senate Office of Research. His research and publications have frequently focused on the intersection between science and politics and the implications on policy.

In 1991, Bruce received a Fulbright award to conduct research in Mexico on environmental dimensions of the North American Free Trade Agreement. In 1991, Bruce joined the faculty at the University of Montana where he taught and directed the graduate program in Environmental Studies. Following his wife's appointment as a member of the faculty at the Evergreen State College in Washington in 1995, Bruce accepted the first in a series of appointments as a visiting scholar with the Department of Environmental Science, Policy and Management as well as serving as a policy advisor to the Center for Occupational and Environmental Health with the University of California at Berkeley.

In 1999, Bruce returned to the California Legislature to serve as the chief of staff for the Assembly Environment Committee. In 2003, Bruce was asked to join the staff of Senator Sher's Environmental Quality Committee where he continues to work. Bruce Jennings and Cheri Lucas Jennings are frequent fliers between residences in Olympia, Washington and Berkeley, California.