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means volume 104 of the *U.S. Supreme Court Reports, Lawyers Edition, Second Series* (Ref KF 101), page 722.

Legal cases and laws "popular name" indexes:

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LEXIS/NEXIS® Academic Databases United States law,
Also on the Internet <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/uscode/index.html>

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The entire body of California law with detailed annotations.

Also an Internet site! Go directly to <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html> or use the Cal Poly Internet Reference, look on the “Laws and Legislation, California” page.

Cal Jur 3d Ref KFC 80 C29 An encyclopedia of California Law

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THOMAS: Legislative Information on the Internet: <http://thomas.loc.gov/home/thomas2.html>
Includes pending legislation (Bills).

CQ Electronic Library Databases
Might discuss the status of large newsworthy legislation.

Official California Legislative Information Internet: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/>
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Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/cfr/index.html>
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California Code of Regulations **Only on an Internet site!**
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California Regulatory Notice Register Ref KFC 36 C3 New regulations organized by Agency.

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Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for Publicly Traded Companies:

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