

#### **Legislative Committee Meeting**

Committee
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April 16, 2018 1:30 p.m.

Solano County Administration Center Sixth Floor Conference Center, Room 6003 675 Texas Street Fairfield, CA 94533

#### **AGENDA**

- i. Introductions (Attendees)
- ii. Public Comment (Items not on the agenda)
- iii. Federal Legislative update (Paragon Government Relations)
  - a. CMS Announces New ACA Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2019
  - b. Executive Order on Reducing Poverty
  - c. Congressional Letter re: WaterFix
- iv. Update from Solano County Legislative Delegation (Representative and/or staff)
- v. State Legislative Update (Karen Lange)

Action Items

- June 5, 2018 Qualified Statewide Ballot Measures
   Informational Items
- November 6, 2018 Status of Ballot Measures
- vi. Future Scheduled Meetings: May 7, 2018
- vii. Adjourn

# Executive Order Reducing Poverty in America by Promoting Opportunity and Economic Mobility

Issued on: April 10, 2018

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and to promote economic mobility, strong social networks, and accountability to American taxpayers, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Purpose. The United States and its Constitution were founded on the principles of freedom and equal opportunity for all. To ensure that all Americans would be able to realize the benefits of those principles, especially during hard times, the Government established programs to help families with basic unmet needs. Unfortunately, many of the programs designed to help families have instead delayed economic independence, perpetuated poverty, and weakened family bonds. While bipartisan welfare reform enacted in 1996 was a step toward eliminating the economic stagnation and social harm that can result from long-term Government dependence, the welfare system still traps many recipients, especially children, in poverty and is in need of further reform and modernization in order to increase self-sufficiency, well-being, and economic mobility.

- Sec. 2. Policy. (a) In 2017, the Federal Government spent more than \$700 billion on low-income assistance. Since its inception, the welfare system has grown into a large bureaucracy that might be susceptible to measuring success by how many people are enrolled in a program rather than by how many have moved from poverty into financial independence. This is not the type of system that was envisioned when welfare programs were instituted in this country. The Federal Government's role is to clear paths to self-sufficiency, reserving public assistance programs for those who are truly in need. The Federal Government should do everything within its authority to empower individuals by providing opportunities for work, including by investing in Federal programs that are effective at moving people into the workforce and out of poverty. It must examine Federal policies and programs to ensure that they are consistent with principles that are central to the American spirit work, free enterprise, and safeguarding human and economic resources. For those policies or programs that are not succeeding in those respects, it is our duty to either improve or eliminate them.
- (b) It shall be the policy of the Federal Government to reform the welfare system of the United States so that it empowers people in a manner that is consistent with applicable law and the following principles, which shall be known as the Principles of Economic Mobility:
- (i) Improve employment outcomes and economic independence (including by strengthening existing work requirements for work-capable people and introducing new work requirements when legally permissible);

- (ii) Promote strong social networks as a way of sustainably escaping poverty (including through work and marriage);
- (iii) Address the challenges of populations that may particularly struggle to find and maintain employment (including single parents, formerly incarcerated individuals, the homeless, substance abusers, individuals with disabilities, and disconnected youth);
- (iv) Balance flexibility and accountability both to ensure that State, local, and tribal governments, and other institutions, may tailor their public assistance programs to the unique needs of their communities and to ensure that welfare services and administering agencies can be held accountable for achieving outcomes (including by designing and tracking measures that assess whether programs help people escape poverty);
- (v) Reduce the size of bureaucracy and streamline services to promote the effective use of resources;
- (vi) Reserve benefits for people with low incomes and limited assets;
- (vii) Reduce wasteful spending by consolidating or eliminating Federal programs that are duplicative or ineffective;
- (viii) Create a system by which the Federal Government remains updated on State, local, and tribal successes and failures, and facilitates access to that information so that other States and localities can benefit from it; and
- (ix) Empower the private sector, as well as local communities, to develop and apply locally based solutions to poverty.
- (c) As part of our pledge to increase opportunities for those in need, the Federal Government must first enforce work requirements that are required by law. It must also strengthen requirements that promote obtaining and maintaining employment in order to move people to independence. To support this focus on employment, the Federal Government should:
- (i) review current federally funded workforce development programs. If more than one executive department or agency (agency) administers programs that are similar in scope or population served, they should be consolidated, to the extent permitted by law, into the agency that is best equipped to fulfill the expectations of the programs, while ineffective programs should be eliminated: and
- (ii) invest in effective workforce development programs and encourage, to the greatest extent possible, entities that have demonstrated success in equipping participants with skills necessary to obtain employment that enables them to financially support themselves and their families in today's economy.
- (d) It is imperative to empower State, local, and tribal governments and private-sector entities to effectively administer and manage public assistance programs. Federal policies should allow

local entities to develop and implement programs and strategies that are best for their respective communities. Specifically, policies should allow the private sector, including community and faith-based organizations, to create solutions that alleviate the need for welfare assistance, promote personal responsibility, and reduce reliance on government intervention and resources.

- (i) To promote the proper scope and functioning of government, the Federal Government must afford State, local, and tribal governments the freedom to design and implement programs that better allocate limited resources to meet different community needs.
- (ii) States and localities can use such flexibility to devise and evaluate innovative programs that serve diverse populations and families. States and localities can also model their own initiatives on the successful programs of others. To achieve the right balance, Federal leaders must continue to discuss opportunities to improve public assistance programs with State and local leaders, including our Nation's governors.
- (e) The Federal Government owes it to Americans to use taxpayer dollars for their intended purposes. Relevant agencies should establish clear metrics that measure outcomes so that agencies administering public assistance programs can be held accountable. These metrics should include assessments of whether programs help individuals and families find employment, increase earnings, escape poverty, and avoid long-term dependence. Whenever possible, agencies should harmonize their metrics to facilitate easier cross-programmatic comparisons and to encourage further integration of service delivery at the local level. Agencies should also adopt policies to ensure that only eligible persons receive benefits and enforce all relevant laws providing that aliens who are not otherwise qualified and eligible may not receive benefits.
- (i) All entities that receive funds should be required to guarantee the integrity of the programs they administer. Technology and innovation should drive initiatives that increase program integrity and reduce fraud, waste, and abuse in the current system.
- (ii) The Federal Government must support State, local, and tribal partners by investing in tools to combat payment errors and verify eligibility for program participants. It must also work alongside public and private partners to assist recipients of welfare assistance to maximize access to services and benefits that support paths to self-sufficiency.
- <u>Sec. 3.</u> <u>Review of Regulations and Guidance Documents.</u> (a) The Secretaries of the Treasury, Agriculture, Commerce, Labor, Health and Human Services, Housing and Urban Development, Transportation, and Education (Secretaries) shall:
- (i) review all regulations and guidance documents of their respective agencies relating to waivers, exemptions, or exceptions for public assistance program eligibility requirements to determine whether such documents are, to the extent permitted by law, consistent with the principles outlined in this order;
- (ii) review any public assistance programs of their respective agencies that do not currently require work for receipt of benefits or services, and determine whether enforcement of a work requirement would be consistent with Federal law and the principles outlined in this order;

- (iii) review any public assistance programs of their respective agencies that do currently require work for receipt of benefits or services, and determine whether the enforcement of such work requirements is consistent with Federal law and the principles outlined in this order;
- (iv) within 90 days of the date of this order, and based on the reviews required by this section, submit to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy a list of recommended regulatory and policy changes and other actions to accomplish the principles outlined in this order; and
- (v) not later than 90 days after submission of the recommendations required by section 3(a)(iv) of this order, and in consultation with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy, take steps to implement the recommended administrative actions.
- (b) Within 90 days of the date of this order, the Secretaries shall each submit a report to the President, through the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy, that:
- (i) states how their respective agencies are complying with 8 U.S.C. 1611(a), which provides that an alien who is not a "qualified alien" as defined by 8 U.S.C. 1641 is, subject to certain statutorily defined exceptions, not eligible for any Federal public benefit as defined by 8 U.S.C. 1611(c):
- (ii) provides a list of Federal benefit programs that their respective agencies administer that are restricted pursuant to 8 U.S.C. 1611; and
- (iii) provides a list of Federal benefit programs that their respective agencies administer that are not restricted pursuant to 8 U.S.C. 1611.
- <u>Sec. 4. Definitions</u>. For the purposes of this order:
- (a) the terms "individuals," "families," and "persons" mean any United States citizen, lawful permanent resident, or other lawfully present alien who is qualified to or otherwise may receive public benefits;
- (b) the terms "work" and "workforce" include unsubsidized employment, subsidized employment, job training, apprenticeships, career and technical education training, job searches, basic education, education directly related to current or future employment, and workfare; and(c) the terms "welfare" and "public assistance" include any program that provides meanstested assistance, or other assistance that provides benefits to people, households, or families that have low incomes (i.e., those making less than twice the Federal poverty level), the unemployed, or those out of the labor force.
- <u>Sec. 5</u>. <u>General Provisions</u>. (a) Nothing in this order shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect:

- (i) the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof; or
- (ii) the functions of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget relating to budgetary, administrative, or legislative proposals.
- (b) This order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.
- (c) This order is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

DONALD J. TRUMP

THE WHITE HOUSE,

April 10, 2018.

#### June 5, 2018 - Qualified Statewide Ballot Measures as of April 12, 2018

Proposition 68	California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018			
	Authorizes Bonds Funding Parks, Natural Resources Protection, Climate Adaptation, Water Quality and Supply, and Flood Protection.			
SB 5 (De León), Chapter 852, Statutes of 2017	YES vote on this measure means: The state could sell \$4.1 billion in general obligation bonds to fund various natural resources-related programs such as for habitat conservation, parks, and water-related projects.			
	A NO vote on this measure means: The state could not sell \$4.1 billion in general obligation bonds to fund various natural resources-related programs.			
Proposition 69	Motor vehicle fees and taxes: restriction on expenditures: appropriations limit			
	Requires That Certain New Transportation Revenues Be Used for Transportation Purposes.			
ACA 5 (Frazier), Resolution Chapter 30, statutes of 2017	A YES vote on this measure means: The Legislature will be required under the State Constitution to continue to spend revenues from recently enacted fuel taxes and vehicle fees on transportation purposes (such as repairing roads and improving transit).			
Legislative Constitutional Amendment	A NO vote on this measure means: The Legislature in the future could change current law, allowing it to spend a portion of the revenues from recently enacted fuel taxes and vehicle fees on purposes other than transportation.			
Proposition 70	Greenhouse Gas Reduction Reserve Fund			
	Requires Legislative Supermajority Vote Approving Use of Cap-And-Trade Reserve Fund.			
ACA 1 (Mayes), Resolution				
Chapter 105, statutes of	A YES vote on this measure means: Beginning on January 1, 2024, revenue collected from the sale of state greenhouse gas emission permits would be			
2017	deposited into a new special fund. These deposits would continue until the effective date of a bill that spends money from that fund, passed with a two-thirds vote of each house of the Legislature. The current state sales tax exemption for manufacturing and certain other equipment would be suspended during the			
Legislative Constitutional	same period that auction revenue is deposited into the special fund.			
Amendment				
	A NO vote on this measure means: The Legislature could continue to authorize spending state revenue collected from the sale of greenhouse gas emission permits with a majority vote. The current state sales tax exemption for manufacturing and certain other equipment would remain in effect until July 1, 2030.			
Proposition 71	Ballot measures: effective date			
	Sets Effective Date for Ballot Measures.			
ACA 17 (Mullin), Resolution Chapter 190, Statutes of 2017	A YES vote on this measure means: Most state ballot measures (also called propositions) would take effect after the statewide vote has been counted and certified—about six weeks after Election Day.			
Legislative Constitutional Amendment	A NO vote on this measure means: Most state ballot measures would continue to take effect the day after Election Day.			
Proposition 72	Property tax: new construction exclusion: Rainwater capture system			
	Permits Legislature to Exclude Newly Constructed Rain-Capture Systems From Property-Tax Reassessment Requirement.			
SCA 9 (Glazer), Resolution Chapter 1, Statutes of 2018	A YES vote on this measure means: Installing a system to collect and store rainwater on a property could not result in a higher property tax bill.			
Legislative Constitutional Amendment	A NO vote on this measure means: Installing a system to collect and store rainwater on a property could result in a higher property tax bill.			

#### **Proposition 68**

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#### Yes/No Statement

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### Summary of Legislative Analyst's Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact

- Increased state bond repayment costs averaging about \$200 million annually over the next 40 years.
- Savings to local governments, likely averaging several tens of millions of dollars annually over the next few decades.

State Bond Cost Estimates	
Authorized new borrowing	\$4.0 billion
Average annual cost to pay off bonds	\$200 million
Likely repayment period	40 years
Source of repayment	General tax revenues

#### **Ballot Label**

**Fiscal Impact**: Increased state bond repayment costs averaging \$200 million annually over 40 years. Local government savings for natural resources-related projects, likely averaging several tens of millions of dollars annually over the next few decades.

#### **BACKGROUND**

State Spending on Natural Resources Programs. The state operates various programs to protect the environment, conserve natural resources, provide flood protection, improve water quality, and offer recreational opportunities for the public. The state also provides grants and loans to local governments, nonprofits, and other organizations for similar purposes. In recent years, the state has spent about \$5 billion annually to support these types of programs. The state primarily relies on a combination of general obligation (GO) bonds, fee revenue, and the state's General Fund to support these programs. (The General Fund is the state's main operating account, which pays for education, prisons, health care, and other services.)

State and local natural resources programs support a variety of purposes, including:

- Natural Resource Conservation. The state provides funds to purchase, protect, and
  improve natural areas—including wilderness and open-space areas; forests; wildlife
  habitats; rivers, lakes, and streams; and coastal habitats. State conservation programs
  often are administered by state conservancies and other departments. These programs
  often provide grants to local governments or other organizations that carry out projects.
- *State and Local Parks*. The state operates the state park system, which includes 280 parks. Additionally, the state provides funds to local governments to purchase and maintain local and regional parks, trails, and other recreation areas.
- *Flood Protection*. The state funds the construction and repair of flood protection projects as part of the state's Central Valley flood management system. This includes the repair and strengthening of levees and projects designed to divert water away from populated areas during large storms. The state also provides funds to local governments to complete similar types of projects throughout the state.

- Safe Drinking Water. The state makes loans and grants for local projects designed to improve access to clean drinking water. This includes projects to install equipment that remove unhealthy pollutants from local water supplies.
- Other Water-Related Projects. The state provides funds for various other projects throughout the state that improve water quality or the reliability of water supplies. For example, the state provides loans and grants to local agencies to construct water recycling and reuse projects, store more water underground (referred to as "groundwater recharge"), and clean up polluted groundwater.

Past Bond Funding for Natural Resources Programs. Since 2000, voters have authorized about \$27 billion in GO bonds in statewide elections to fund various natural resources projects. Of this amount, approximately \$9 billion remained available for new projects as of June 2017. (Most of the bond funds still available are for water-related purposes authorized by Proposition 1, which was approved in 2014.) The state repays GO bonds over time, with interest, using the state's General Fund. (For more information on how bonds work and how this proposed bond would impact the state's budget, see "Overview of State Bond Debt" later in this guide.)

#### **PROPOSAL**

**\$4.1 Billion GO Bond for Natural Resources Programs.** This proposition allows the state to sell a total of \$4.1 billion in GO bonds for various natural resources-related programs. This total includes \$4 billion in new bonds. It also includes a redirection of \$100 million in unsold bonds that voters previously approved for specific natural resources uses.

Bond Funds Specific Purposes. This proposition provides funding for various state departments and local governments to use for specific natural resources-related purposes, which are summarized in Figure 1. This includes \$1.5 billion for a variety of programs generally intended to conserve natural habitats; improve coastal, river, and other ecosystems; and increase the resiliency of the environment to withstand the effects of climate change (such as sea level rise and more frequent droughts and forest fires). The bond also provides \$1.3 billion for parks and recreation projects, most of which would be used to build or improve local parks. Lastly, the bond provides \$1.3 billion for various water-related projects, including to increase flood protection, recharge and clean up groundwater, and provide safe drinking water.

*Administrative Provisions*. This proposition includes a number of provisions designed to control how the bond funds are administered and overseen by state agencies. The proposition requires

regular public reporting of
how the bond funds have
been spent, as well as
authorizes financial audits
by state oversight agencies.
In addition, for several of the
programs funded by this
bond, recipients—mostly
local governments—would
only be eligible to receive
the funding if they provide

Figure 1 Uses of Proposition 68 Bond Funds	
(In Millions)	
Natural Resource Conservation and Resiliency	\$1,547
State conservancies and wildlife conservation	767
Climate preparedness and habitat resiliency	443
Ocean and coastal protection	175
River and waterway improvements	162
Parks and Recreation	\$1,283
Parks in neighborhoods with few parks	725
Local and regional parks	285
State park restoration, preservation, and protection	218
Trails, greenways, and rural recreation	55
Water	\$1,270
Flood protection	550
Groundwater recharge and cleanup	370
Safe drinking water	250
Water recycling	100
Total	\$4,100

some funding to support the projects. This local cost-share requirement, where it applies, is at least

20 percent of the bond funding awarded. As an example, a city receiving a \$100,000 grant to build a new park trail would need to provide at least \$20,000 towards the project.

The proposition also includes several provisions designed to assist "disadvantaged communities" and very disadvantaged communities (generally, communities with lower average incomes). For example, the local cost-share requirement would not apply to most of the grants provided to these communities. In addition, the proposition requires that for each use specified in the bond, at least 15 percent of the funds benefit very disadvantaged communities.

#### FISCAL EFFECTS

State Bond Costs. This proposition would allow the state to borrow \$4 billion by selling additional GO bonds to investors, who would be repaid with interest using the state's General Fund tax revenues. The cost to the state of repaying these new bonds would depend on various factors—such as the interest rates in effect at the time they are sold, the timing of bond sales, and the time period over which they are repaid. We estimate that the cost to taxpayers to repay this bond would total \$7.8 billion to pay off both principal (\$4.0 billion) and interest (\$3.8 billion). This would result in average repayment costs of about \$200 million annually over the next 40 years. This amount is about one-fifth of a percent of the state's current General Fund budget.

Local Costs and Savings to Complete Projects. Much of the bond funding would be used for local government projects. Providing state bond funds for local projects would affect how much local funding is spent on these projects. In many cases, the availability of state bonds could reduce local spending. For example, this would occur in cases where the state bond funds replaced monies that local governments would have spent on projects anyway.

In some cases, however, state bond funds could increase total spending on projects by local governments. For example, the availability of bond funds might encourage some local

governments to build additional or substantially larger projects than they would otherwise. For some of these projects—such as when the bond requires a local cost share—local governments would bear some of the additional costs.

On balance, we estimate that this proposition would result in savings to local governments to complete the projects funded by this bond. These savings could average several tens of millions of dollars annually over the next few decades. The exact amount would vary depending on the specific projects undertaken by local governments, how much local cost sharing is required by state agencies, and the amount of additional funding local governments provide to support the projects.

Other State and Local Fiscal Effects. There could be other state and local fiscal effects under this bond. For example, costs could increase to operate and maintain newly built parks. On the other hand, some projects could reduce future costs, such as by making levee repairs that reduce future flooding damage. The amount of these possible fiscal effects is unknown but could be significant.

#### **Overview of State Bond Debt**

This section describes the state's bond debt. It also discusses how Proposition 68—the \$4.1 billion natural resources bond proposal—would affect state bond costs.

#### **Background**

What Are Bonds? Bonds are a way that governments and companies borrow money. The state government uses bonds primarily to pay for the planning, construction, and renovation of infrastructure projects such as bridges, dams, prisons, parks, schools, and office buildings. The state sells bonds to investors to receive "up-front" funding for these projects and then repays the investors, with interest, over a period of time.

Why Are Bonds Used? A main reason for issuing bonds is that infrastructure typically provides services over many years. Thus, it is reasonable for people, both currently and in the future, to help pay for the projects. Additionally, the large costs of these projects can be difficult to pay for all at once.

What Are the Main Types of Bonds? Two main types of bonds used by the state to fund infrastructure are general obligation bonds (which must be approved by voters) and lease revenue bonds (which do not have to be approved by voters). Most of the state's general obligation and lease revenue bonds are repaid from the General Fund. The General Fund is the state's main operating account, which it uses to pay for education, prisons, health care, and other services. The General Fund is supported primarily by income and sales tax revenues.

What Are the Costs of Bond Financing? After selling bonds, the state makes annual payments over the next few decades until the bonds are paid off. (This is very similar to the way a family pays off a mortgage.) The annual cost of repaying bonds depends primarily on the interest rate and the time period over which the bonds have to be repaid. Assuming an interest rate of 5 percent, for each

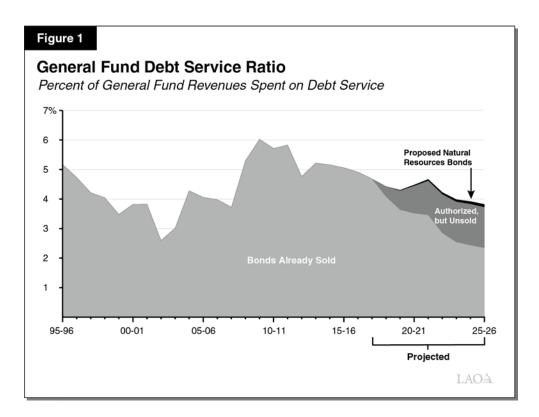
\$1 borrowed, the state would pay close to \$2 over a typical repayment period. Of that \$2 amount, \$1 would go toward repaying the amount borrowed (the principal) and close to \$1 for interest. There likely will be significant inflation over the period during which the state repays these bonds. This means that the dollars used to repay these bonds in the future will be worth less than they are today. Accordingly, after accounting for inflation, the cost of repaying these bonds is lower—roughly \$1.50 for each \$1 borrowed.

#### Infrastructure Bonds and the State Budget

Amount of General Fund Debt. The state has about \$83 billion of General Fund-supported infrastructure bonds on which it is making principal and interest payments. In addition, the voters and the Legislature have approved about \$36 billion of General Fund-supported bonds that have not yet been sold. Most of these bonds are expected to be sold in the coming years as additional projects need funding. In 2017-18, the General Fund's infrastructure bond repayments total close to \$6 billion.

This Election's Impact on Debt Payments. The natural resources bond proposal on this ballot (Proposition 68) would allow the state to borrow an additional \$4 billion by selling general obligation bonds to investors. The amount needed to pay the principal and interest on these bonds, also known as the debt service, would depend on the specific details of the bond sales. We assume an interest rate of 5 percent and that the bonds would be issued over a ten-year period. We further assume that the last bonds would be repaid 30 years after the final bonds are issued. Based on these assumptions, the estimated average annual General Fund cost would be about \$200 million over the next 40 years. This is about 3 percent more than the state currently spends from the General Fund for debt service. We estimate that the measure would require total debt service payments of about \$7.8 billion over the 40-year period during which the bonds would be paid off.

This Election's Impact on the Share of State Revenues Used to Repay Debt. One indicator of the state's debt situation is the portion of the state's annual General Fund revenues that must be set aside for debt service payments on infrastructure bonds. This is known as the state's debt service ratio (DSR). Because these revenues must be used to repay debt, they are not available to spend on other state programs, such as operating colleges or paying for health care. As shown in Figure 1, the DSR is now somewhat below 5 percent of annual General Fund revenues. If voters do not approve the proposed natural resources bond on this ballot, we project that the state's DSR on already authorized bonds will likely remain somewhat below 5 percent over the next several years and then decrease thereafter. If voters approve the proposed natural resources bond on this ballot, we project it would increase the DSR by less than one-fifth of a percentage point compared to what it would otherwise have been. The state's future DSR would be higher than shown in the figure if the state and voters approve additional bonds in the future.



#### **Proposition 69**

## ACA 5 (Resolution Chapter 30, Statutes of 2017), Frazier. Motor vehicle fees and taxes: restriction on expenditures: appropriations limit.

#### Yes/No Statement

A **YES** vote on this measure means: The Legislature will be required under the State Constitution to continue to spend revenues from recently enacted fuel taxes and vehicle fees on transportation purposes (such as repairing roads and improving transit).

A **NO** vote on this measure means: The Legislature in the future could change current law, allowing it to spend a portion of the revenues from recently enacted fuel taxes and vehicle fees on purposes other than transportation.

## Summary of Legislative Analyst's Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact

- No direct effect on the amount of state and local revenues or costs, as the measure does not change existing tax and fee rates.
- The measure could affect how some monies are spent by ensuring that revenues from recently enacted taxes and fees continue to be spent on transportation purposes.
- The measure would put the state a little further below its constitutional spending limit.

#### **Ballot Label**

**Fiscal Impact**: No direct effect on the amount of state and local revenues or costs but could affect how some monies are spent.

#### BACKGROUND

#### **Recent Transportation Funding Legislation**

In April 2017, the state enacted legislation, Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), to increase annual state funding for transportation in California. Senate Bill 1 (1) increases revenues from various taxes and fees, and (2) dedicates the revenues to transportation purposes, including repairing state highways and local streets, and improving mass transit.

Taxes and Fees. Senate Bill 1 increased gasoline and diesel excise taxes, which are set on a pergallon basis. It also increased diesel sales taxes, which are set based on price. For zero-emission vehicles (such as electric cars) model year 2020 and later, it increased vehicle registration fees by a fixed dollar amount. Additionally, SB 1 created a new transportation improvement fee, which vehicle owners pay based on the value of their vehicle. Most of the taxes and fees already are in effect, with

all taking effect by 2020.

#### Restrictions on Revenues.

Senate Bill 1 will raise
\$5 billion annually when all
its taxes and fees are in effect.
Figure 1 shows the annual
revenues raised from each tax

and fee, as well as whether

## Existing State Constitutional Restrictions on Recently Enacted Senate Bill 1 Revenues (In Billions)

Tax/Fee	Revenues <sup>a</sup>	Restricted for Transportation?
Gasoline Excise Tax	\$2.4	Yes
Transportation Improvement Fee	1.6	No
Diesel Excise Tax	0.7	Yes
Diesel Sales Tax	0.3	No
Zero-Emission Vehicle Fee	b	Yes
Total	\$5.0	_

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> In 2020-21, when all taxes and fees are in effect. Excludes revenues from taxes on fuel used in off-highway vehicles (totaling \$0.1 billion). The existing State Constitution and Senate Bill 1 both allow these revenues to be spent on purposes besides transportation.

existing provisions of the State Constitution restrict them for transportation purposes. Though the Legislature chose to dedicate all the SB 1 revenues to transportation, the State Constitution does not require this for the revenues from the transportation improvement fees and diesel sales taxes.

b About \$18 million a year.

As such, the Legislature could choose in the future to use these two revenue sources for purposes other than transportation.

#### **Spending Limits**

The State Constitution requires the state and local governments to keep their annual spending at or below a certain level, based on a formula established by a voter proposition passed in 1979. The State Constitution exempts some spending from counting toward these limits, including spending from most gasoline and diesel excise tax revenues and spending on capital projects. Due to these exemptions, only a small portion (less than one-tenth) of spending from the new SB 1 revenues count toward the state limit. It is currently estimated that the state is several billion dollars below its limit.

#### **PROPOSAL**

Restricts Revenues for Transportation. Proposition 69 amends the State Constitution to require that the Legislature spend revenues from the new diesel sales taxes and transportation improvement fees on transportation purposes. (This requirement also applies to existing diesel sales tax revenues—not just those imposed by SB 1.) Proposition 69 also prohibits the state from (1) loaning out these revenues (except for cash flow purposes), and (2) using transportation improvement fee revenues to repay state transportation bonds without voter approval. The only way to change these requirements would be for the voters to approve another constitutional amendment in the future.

*Exempts Revenues From Spending Limits.* Proposition 69 exempts spending from all the revenues raised from SB 1 from counting toward state and local spending limits.

#### FISCAL EFFECTS

No Direct Fiscal Effect but Could Affect How Some Monies Are Spent. Proposition 69 would not directly affect the amount of state and local revenues or costs. (This is because it does not change the tax and fee rates established in SB 1.) The proposition could affect how some monies are spent in the future by requiring the Legislature to continue to spend revenues from diesel sales taxes and transportation improvement fees on transportation purposes, rather than other purposes. Additionally, the proposition puts the state a little further below its constitutional spending limit.

#### **Proposition 70**

## ACA 1 (Resolution Chapter 105, Statutes of 2017), Mayes. Greenhouse Gas Reduction Reserve Fund.

#### Yes/No Statement

A YES vote on this measure means: Beginning on January 1, 2024, revenue collected from the sale of state greenhouse gas emission permits would be deposited into a new special fund. These deposits would continue until the effective date of a bill that spends money from that fund, passed with a two-thirds vote of each house of the Legislature. The current state sales tax exemption for manufacturing and certain other equipment would be suspended during the same period that auction revenue is deposited into the special fund.

A **NO** vote on this measure means: The Legislature could continue to authorize spending state revenue collected from the sale of greenhouse gas emission permits with a majority vote. The current state sales tax exemption for manufacturing and certain other equipment would remain in effect until July 1, 2030.

## Summary of Legislative Analyst's Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact

- Potential temporary increase in state sales tax revenue from the sale of manufacturing and certain other equipment beginning in 2024. Amount could range from no increase to a few hundred million dollars annually.
- Possible change in the mix of cap-and-trade funding provided to state and local programs.

#### **Ballot Label**

**Fiscal Impact**: Beginning in 2024, potential temporary increase in state sales tax revenue, ranging from none to a few hundred million dollars annually, and possible changes in how revenue from sale of greenhouse gas emission permits is spent.

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### State's Cap-and-Trade Program

Program Aimed at Limiting Greenhouse Gases. California has several programs created to reduce the amount of greenhouse gases (GHGs) that are emitted. GHGs—such as carbon dioxide—contribute to global climate change and come from various sources, including gasoline-powered cars and industrial activities. One California program to reduce GHGs is referred to as "cap-and-trade." Under this program, which began in 2012, the state issues a limited number of permits to emit GHGs. Certain companies responsible for large amounts of GHG emissions must obtain a permit for each ton of GHG they emit. The state gives about half of the permits away to certain industries for free and sells the other half at auctions. A recent state law allows cap-and-trade to operate in California through 2030.

Revenue Collected Used for a Variety of Programs. Revenue collected from cap-and-trade auctions is deposited into a state fund called the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (GGRF). The state determines how to spend money in the GGRF, usually through the annual budget process. The money in the fund is generally used for state and local programs to reduce GHGs. As shown in Figure 1, we estimate the state will spend about \$3 billion from the GGRF on various programs in 2017-18. The state can spend money from the GGRF with a bill passed with majority votes in both houses of the Legislature.

Figure 1  Estimated 2017-18 Cap-and-Trade Spending <sup>a</sup> (In Millions)			
Program	Amount		
Incentives for low-emission vehicles and equipment	\$810		
High-Speed Rail	730		
Affordable housing near transit	584		
Public transit	438		
Forestry and fire prevention	325		
Agricultural emission reductions	250		
Other	187		
Total	\$3,324		
Assumes \$3 billion in revenues in 2017-18. Amount could be higher or lowe auction results.	r depending on actual		

#### **Some Business Equipment Exempt From State Sales Tax**

California's state and local governments charge a sales tax on retail sales of most goods.

Revenue from part of the sales tax goes to the state's main operating account. This part of the tax is not charged when some businesses buy certain equipment used for such things as manufacturing and research and development. We estimate that this "manufacturing exemption" currently reduces state sales tax revenue by about \$250 million annually. The exemption is authorized until July 1, 2030.

#### **PROPOSAL**

Creates Temporary Higher Legislative Vote Requirement for Spending Cap-and-Trade
Revenue. This measure requires that beginning on January 1, 2024, cap-and-trade revenue be
deposited in a new state fund called the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Reserve Fund (Reserve
Fund), rather than in the GGRF. These deposits would continue until the effective date of a bill
that: (1) spends money from the Reserve Fund and (2) is passed by each house of the Legislature
with a two-thirds vote (as opposed to the majority vote currently required). The measure also
requires that money in the Reserve Fund be used to fund the same general types of programs that

could be funded by the GGRF on January 1, 2024. After the effective date of the bill, future revenue would go back to being deposited in the GGRF and could be spent by a majority vote of the Legislature.

Suspends Manufacturing Exemption Until Cap-and-Trade Revenue Is Spent. This measure suspends the manufacturing exemption beginning on January 1, 2024. While the exemption is suspended, the full sales tax would be charged when businesses buy certain equipment for such things as manufacturing and research and development. The suspension would continue until the effective date of a bill that: (1) spends money from the Reserve Fund and (2) is passed with a two-thirds legislative vote.

#### FISCAL EFFECTS

Potential Temporary Increase in Sales Tax Revenue Beginning in 2024. The measure could suspend the manufacturing exemption beginning in 2024. The state would generate additional sales tax revenue while the manufacturing exemption is suspended. The amount of additional revenue would depend on when the Legislature approves spending money from the Reserve Fund with a two-thirds vote. If the Legislature approves spending the money by early 2024, there would be little or no additional revenue. However, if there was a lengthy delay, the additional state revenue would be up to a few hundred million dollars annually.

**Possible Change in Mix of Programs Funded.** Beginning in 2024, the two-thirds vote requirement could, at least temporarily, change the mix of state and local programs funded by auction revenues compared to what would otherwise occur. Any change would depend on the future composition and spending priorities of the Legislature, which are unknown. As a result, it is unclear which state and local government programs might receive more or less money.

#### **Proposition 71**

## ACA 17 (Resolution Chapter 190, Statutes of 2017), Mullin. Ballot measures: effective date.

#### Yes/No Statement

A **YES** vote on this measure means: Most state ballot measures (also called propositions) would take effect after the statewide vote has been counted and certified—about six weeks after Election Day.

A **NO** vote on this measure means: Most state ballot measures would continue to take effect the day after Election Day.

## Summary of Legislative Analyst's Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact

• Likely little or no effect on state and local finances.

#### **Ballot Label**

• **Fiscal Impact**: Likely little or no effect on state and local finances.

#### **BACKGROUND**

*State Ballot Measures.* At statewide elections, California voters get to vote on state ballot measures. These measures (also called propositions) include:

- State Initiatives and Referenda. These are changes to the State Constitution, changes to state laws, and bond measures proposed by citizens, who gather signatures to place these measures on the ballot.
- Legislative Ballot Measures. These are changes to the State Constitution, changes to
  previously approved initiatives, and bond measures placed on the ballot by the
  California Legislature.

Changes in Elections Over Time. Changes in state and federal laws and decisions by individual voters have affected voting practices in recent decades. In California, perhaps the most noteworthy change has been the growing use of mail ballots. In the November 1970 election, about 200,000 California voters (3 percent of the total) cast a ballot by mail. By contrast, in November 2016, more than 8 million voters (58 percent of the total) cast a mail ballot. State and federal laws also allow for "provisional" ballots—for example, for people who believe they are registered even though their names are not on a polling place's voter list. Mail and provisional ballots received right around Election Day often are counted in the days or weeks afterward.

Timeline for Counting State Election Ballots. Election officials in each county have to count every ballot that is legally cast, including mail ballots received soon after Election Day. The current vote counting process lasts for several weeks after Election Day. During that period, county officials count up to several million mail ballots and other ballots that are still not counted at the end of Election Day. They also recheck precinct vote counts. After receiving results from each county, the Secretary of State—who oversees elections throughout the state—certifies a formal "statement of the vote" more than five weeks (specifically, no later than 38 days) after Election Day.

Effective Date for State Ballot Measures. The State Constitution provides that state initiatives and referenda, as well as legislative ballot measures that change the State Constitution, take effect the day after the election unless the ballot measure sets a later effective date. In most cases, it is clear at the end of Election Day whether a ballot measure has been approved by voters. In some cases, however, the results are not clear, and millions of ballots are not counted until days or weeks later.

#### **PROPOSAL**

Later Effective Date for State Ballot Measures. As described above, the Secretary of State files the statement of the vote no later than 38 days after Election Day—after receiving voting results from each county. This measure amends the State Constitution so that state initiatives and referenda, as well as legislative ballot measures that change the State Constitution, take effect on the fifth day after the Secretary of State files the statement of the vote. Therefore, if this measure is approved, most state ballot measures would take effect about six weeks (no later than 43 days) after Election Day. This would allow counties to finish counting ballots and the Secretary of State to certify results before these ballot measures go into effect.

#### FISCAL EFFECTS

Little or No Fiscal Effect Likely. Currently, state ballot measures generally take effect on the day after Election Day. It is rare, however, for measures to change state or local revenues or spending substantially in the weeks immediately after Election Day. For this reason, delaying the effective date of ballot measures by a few weeks likely would have little or no effect on state and local finances.

#### **Proposition 72**

SCA 9 (Resolution Chapter 1, Statutes of 2018), Glazer. Property tax: new construction exclusion: Rainwater capture system.

#### Yes/No Statement

A **YES** vote on this measure means: Installing a system to collect and store rainwater on a property could *not* result in a higher property tax bill.

A **NO** vote on this measure means: Installing a system to collect and store rainwater on a property could result in a higher property tax bill.

## **Summary of Legislative Analyst's Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact**

• Probably minor reduction in annual property tax revenues to local governments.

#### **Ballot Label**

**Fiscal Impact**: Probably minor reduction in annual property tax revenues to local governments.

#### BACKGROUND

California's Water Supplies Can Be Limited in Some Years. California has an extensive water system to deliver water from the northern part of the state—where it is more plentiful—to farms and cities in other parts of the state. Water typically is delivered to houses and other buildings through local public water systems. The amount of water available through these water systems can vary widely from year to year. In years with less rain and snow, it can be difficult to provide enough water for all of the state's farms, residents, and businesses. In response, the state and local governments have looked for other ways to provide water to those who want it.

Rainwater Capture Systems Collect Water for Use on Site. Rainwater capture systems are one way to create additional supplies of water. A rainwater capture system collects and stores rainwater that falls on the roof of a building. The system uses pipes to direct water from roofs and gutters to large storage tanks. Stored water can be used for things like watering plants or flushing toilets. As a result, these systems reduce somewhat the demand for water from local water systems. Rainwater capture systems installed on homes typically cost a few hundred dollars to several thousand dollars. Systems installed on business properties or apartments typically cost several thousand dollars to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Local Governments Levy Taxes on Property Owners. California local governments—cities, counties, schools, and special districts—levy property taxes on property owners based on the value of their property. A property includes land plus any buildings or other improvements on the land. Property taxes are a major revenue source for local governments, raising over \$60 billion per year statewide.

Calculating a Property Owner's Tax Bill. Each property owner's annual property tax bill is equal to the taxable value of their property multiplied by their property tax rate. The typical property owner's property tax rate is 1.1 percent. In the year a property is purchased, its taxable value is its purchase price. Each year after that the property's taxable value is adjusted for inflation (up to 2 percent). This continues until the property is sold and again is taxed at its purchase price.

Property Improvements Trigger a Higher Tax Bill. When a property owner makes an improvement to his or her property, the county assessor typically updates the property's taxable value to reflect the improvement. The county assessor first determines the value of the improvement. The improvement's value is based on the cost of building the improvement and

how much it increases the price the property could be sold for. The county assessor then adds the value of the improvement to the property's prior taxable value to determine the property's new taxable value.

Certain Improvements Do Not Increase Tax Payments. Past measures approved by voters require that county assessors not count the value of certain types of property improvements toward a property's taxable value. Such improvements include solar panels, fire sprinklers, and certain upgrades for earthquake safety.

#### **PROPOSAL**

Rainwater Capture Systems Not Counted Toward Taxable Value. This measure, which amends the State Constitution, allows the Legislature to exclude the value of a newly constructed rainwater capture system from a property's taxable value. Earlier this year, the Legislature passed a law to carry out this measure should it be approved by voters. Under this law, any systems installed between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2028 would not raise property tax bills. These property tax savings would apply until the property is sold. If a developer installs a system on a new building, the first buyer of the building may claim the property tax savings for the system.

An Example. Here is an example of the property tax savings provided by this measure. Suppose a home has a taxable value of \$400,000 and the homeowner's annual tax bill is \$4,400 (\$400,000 multiplied by 1.1 percent). The homeowner pays \$5,000 to have a rainwater capture system installed. Without this measure, the county assessor would increase the home's taxable value to \$405,000. The homeowner's annual tax bill would increase to \$4,455 (\$405,000 multiplied by 1.1 percent). With the measure, the home's taxable value and tax bill would not

change. The homeowner's annual tax bill would still be \$4,400, \$55 lower than if the measure were not in place.

#### FISCAL EFFECTS

Likely Minor Reduction in Property Tax Revenues. This measure would result in lower property tax payments for property owners who install rainwater capture systems on existing buildings or who purchase new buildings that include these systems. Lower property tax payments would mean lower revenues for local governments. Statewide, these property tax revenue losses probably would be minor, not exceeding a few million dollars per year. This is because properties with new rainwater capture systems probably will pay a very small share of all property tax payments in coming years.

#### November 6, 2018 – Status of Ballot Measures

Proposition No. Not yet	Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018
assigned.	Would authorize the issuance of bonds in an amount of \$4,000,000,000 to finance housing programs for veterans.
SB 3 (Beall) Chapter 365, Statutes of 2017	
Status: Qualified	
Initiative 1806. (17-0010)	Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018
(Gerald H. Meral)	Authorizes Bonds to Fund Projects for Water Supply and Quality, Watershed, Fish, Wildlife, Water Conveyance, and Groundwater Sustainability and Storage.
Status: Pending Signature Verification	Authorizes \$8.877 billion in state general obligation bonds for various infrastructure projects: \$3.03 billion for safe drinking water and water quality, \$2.895 billion for watershed and fisheries improvements, \$940 million for habitat protection, \$855 million for improved water conveyance, \$685 million for groundwater sustainability/storage, and \$472 million for surface water storage/dam repairs. Appropriates money from General Fund to pay off bonds. Requires certain projects to provide matching funds from non-state sources; gives priority to disadvantaged communities.
	Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: State costs of \$17.3 billion to pay off principal (\$8.9 billion) and interest (\$8.4 billion) on bonds over a 40-year period. Annual payments would average \$433 million. Annual payments would be lower than this average in the initial and final few years and somewhat higher in the intervening years. Varying fiscal effects on individual local governments depending on specific projects undertaken, amount of grants and loans received, and amount of local cost-share required.
Initiative 1809. (17-0013A1)	People's Initiative to Protect Proposition 13 Savings (Version 3)
(California Association of Realtors)	Changes Requirements for Certain Property Owners to Transfer Their Property Tax Base to Replacement Property.
Constitutional Amendment and Statute	Removes the following current requirements for homeowners who are over 55 years old or severely disabled to transfer their property tax base to a replacement residence: that replacement property be of equal or lesser value, replacement residence be in specific county, and the transfer occur only once. Removes similar replacement-value and location requirements on transfers for contaminated or disaster-destroyed property. Requires adjustments to the replacement property's tax base, based on the new property's value.
Status: Pending	Summary of actimate by Logiclative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government. Annual preporty tay losses for
Signature Verification	Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local government: Annual property tax losses for cities, counties, and special districts of around \$150 million in the near term, growing over time to \$1 billion or more per year (in today's dollars). Annual property tax losses for schools of around \$150 million per year in the near term, growing over time to \$1 billion or more per year (in today's dollars). Increase in state costs for schools of an equivalent amount in most years.

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#### Senate Bill No. 3

Passed the Senate September 15, 2017

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Chief Clerk of the Assembly

This bill was received by the Governor this 21st day

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Private Secretary of the Governor

#### CHAPTER \_\_\_\_

An act to add Part 16 (commencing with Section 54000) to Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code, and to add Article 5z (commencing with Section 998.600) to Chapter 6 of Division 4 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to housing, by providing the funds necessary therefor through an election for the issuance and sale of bonds of the State of California and for the handling and disposition of those funds, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

#### LEGISLATIVÈ COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 3, Beall. Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018.

Under existing law, there are programs providing assistance for, among other things, emergency housing, multifamily housing, farmworker housing, home ownership for very low and low-income households, and downpayment assistance for first-time home buyers. Existing law also authorizes the issuance of bonds in specified amounts pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law and requires that proceeds from the sale of these bonds be used to finance various existing housing programs, capital outlay related to infill development, brownfield cleanup that promotes infill development, and housing-related parks. Existing law, the Veterans' Bond Act of 2008, authorized, for purposes of financing a specified program for farm, home, and mobilehome purchase assistance for veterans, the issuance, pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, of bonds in the amount of \$900,000,000.

This bill would enact the Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018, which, if adopted, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$4,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law. Of the proceeds from the sale of these bonds, \$3,000,000,000 would be used to finance various existing housing programs, as well as infill infrastructure financing and affordable housing matching grant programs, as provided, and \$1,000,000,000 would be used to provide additional funding for the above-described program for farm, home, and mobilehome purchase assistance for veterans, as provided.

This bill would provide for submission of the bond act to the voters at the November 6, 2018, statewide general election in accordance with specified law.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018.

SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

- (a) California is experiencing an extreme housing shortage with 2.2 million extremely low income and very low income renter households competing for only 664,000 affordable rental homes. This leaves more than 1.54 million of California's lowest income households without access to affordable housing.
- (b) While homelessness across the United States is in an overall decline, homelessness in California is rising. In 2015, California had 115,738 homeless people, which accounted for 21 percent of the nation's homeless population. This is an increase of 1.6 percent from the prior year. California also had the highest rate of unsheltered people, at 64 percent or 73,699 people; the largest numbers of unaccompanied homeless children and youth, at 10,416 people or 28 percent of the national total; the largest number of veterans experiencing homelessness, at 11,311 or 24 percent of the national homeless veteran population; and the second largest number of people in families with chronic patterns of homelessness, at 22,582 or 11 percent of the state's homeless family population.
- (c) It is essential to continue funding, which is soon to expire, for housing programs that are necessary to address the housing needs of the large number of veterans and their families living in California.
- (d) California is home to 21 of the 30 most expensive rental housing markets in the country, which has had a disproportionate impact on the middle class and the working poor. California requires the third highest wage in the country to afford housing, behind Hawaii and Washington, D.C. The fair market rent, which indicates the amount of money that a given property would require if it were open for leasing, for a two-bedroom apartment is \$1,386. To afford this level of rent and utilities, without paying more than

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30 percent of income on housing, a household must earn an hourly "housing wage" of \$26.65 per hour. This means that a person earning minimum wage must work an average of three jobs to pay the rent for a two-bedroom unit. In some areas of the state, these numbers are even higher.

- (e) Low-income families are forced to spend more and more of their income on rent, which leaves little else for other basic necessities. Many renters must postpone or forgo home ownership, live in more crowded housing, commute further to work, or, in some cases, choose to live and work elsewhere.
- (f) California has seen a significant reduction of state funding in recent years. The funds from Proposition 46 of 2002 and Proposition 1C of 2006, totaling nearly \$5 billion for a variety of affordable housing programs, have been expended. Combined with the loss of redevelopment funds, \$1.5 billion of annual state investment dedicated to housing has been lost, leaving several critical housing programs unfunded.
- (g) High housing costs and the shortage of housing stock in California directly affect the future health of California's economy and, given the staggering numbers indicated above, bold action is necessary. Investment in existing and successful housing programs to expand the state's housing stock should benefit California's homeless and low-income earners, as well as some of the state's most vulnerable populations, including foster and at-risk youth, persons with developmental and physical disabilities, farmworkers, the elderly, single parents with children, and survivors of domestic violence. Investments should also be made in housing for Medi-Cal recipients served through a county's Section 1115 Waiver Whole Person Care Pilot program and family day care providers.
- (h) Investment in housing creates jobs and provides local benefits. The estimated one-year impacts of building 100 rental apartments in a typical local area include \$11.7 million in local income, \$2.2 million in taxes and other revenue for local governments, and 161 local jobs or 1.62 jobs per apartment. The additional annually recurring impacts of building 100 rental apartments in a typical local area include \$2.6 million in local income, \$503,000 in taxes and other revenue for local governments, and 44 local jobs or .44 jobs per apartment.
- (i) California has 109 federally recognized tribes and 723,000 residents with Native American ancestry, the largest number of

tribes and residents in the United States. Due to historic dislocation and lack of housing choices, most do not live on tribal lands and those who do live in severely substandard, overcrowded homes lacking quality water and sewer services at rates greater than the general population.

SEC. 3. Part 16 (commencing with Section 54000) is added to Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

### PART 16. VETERANS AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOND ACT OF 2018

#### CHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

54000. Together with Article 5z (commencing with Section 998.600) of Chapter 6 of Division 4 of the Military and Veterans Code, this part shall be known, and may be cited, as the Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018.

54002. As used in this part, the following terms have the following meanings:

- (a) "Board" means the Department of Housing and Community Development for programs administered by the department, and the California Housing Finance Agency for programs administered by the agency.
- (b) "Committee" means the Housing Finance Committee created pursuant to Section 53524 and continued in existence pursuant to Sections 53548 and 54014.
- (c) "Fund" means the Affordable Housing Bond Act Trust Fund of 2018 created pursuant to Section 54006.

54004. This part shall only become operative upon adoption by the voters at the November 6, 2018, statewide general election.

#### CHAPTER 2. AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOND ACT TRUST FUND OF 2018 AND PROGRAM

54006. The Affordable Housing Bond Act Trust Fund of 2018 is hereby created within the State Treasury. It is the intent of the Legislature that the proceeds of bonds (exclusive of refunding bonds issued pursuant to Section 54026) be deposited in the fund and used to fund the housing-related programs described in this chapter. The proceeds of bonds issued and sold pursuant to this

part for the purposes specified in this chapter shall be allocated in the following manner:

- (a) One billion five hundred million dollars (\$1,500,000,000) to be deposited in the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Fund established pursuant to Section 50661. The moneys in the fund shall be used for the Multifamily Housing Program authorized by Chapter 6.7 (commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2, to be expended to assist in the new construction, rehabilitation, and preservation of permanent and transitional rental housing for persons with incomes of up to 60 percent of the area median income (AMI). These funds may also be used to provide technical assistance pursuant to Section 54007.
- (b) One hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) to be deposited into the Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Fund, established pursuant to Section 53561, for expenditure, upon appropriation by the Legislature, pursuant to the Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Program authorized by Part 13 (commencing with Section 53560) to provide local assistance to cities, counties, cities and counties, transit agencies, and developers for the purpose of developing or facilitating the development of higher density uses within close proximity to transit stations that will increase public transit ridership. These funds may also be expended for any authorized purpose of this program and for state incentive programs, including loans and grants, within the department. Any funds not encumbered for the purposes of this subdivision by November 6, 2028, shall revert for general use in the Multifamily Housing Program authorized by Chapter 6.7 (commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2, unless the Department of Housing and Community Development determines that funds should revert sooner due to diminished demand.
- (c) Three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) to be deposited in the Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account, which is hereby created within the fund. Moneys in the account shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, pursuant to the Infill Incentive Grant Program of 2007 established by Section 53545.13 for infill incentive grants to assist in the new construction and rehabilitation of infrastructure that supports high-density affordable and mixed-income housing in locations designated as infill, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

- (1) Park creation, development, or rehabilitation to encourage infill development.
- (2) Water, sewer, or other public infrastructure costs associated with infill development.
- (3) Transportation improvements related to infill development projects.
  - (4) Traffic mitigation.

These funds may also be expended for any authorized purpose of this program. Any funds not encumbered for the purposes of this subdivision by November 6, 2028, shall revert for general use in the Multifamily Housing Program authorized by Chapter 6.7 (commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2, unless the Department of Housing and Community Development determines that funds should revert sooner due to diminished demand.

- (d) One hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) to be transferred to the Self-Help Housing Fund established pursuant to Section 50697.1. Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code and Section 50697.1, these funds are hereby continuously appropriated to the Department of Housing and Community Development without regard to fiscal years, which funds shall be transferred by the department to the California Housing Finance Agency for purposes of the home purchase assistance program established pursuant to Chapter 6.8 (commencing with Section 51341) of Part 3.
- (e) Three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) to be deposited in the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Fund, established pursuant to Section 50517.5, to fund grants or loans, or both, for local public entities, nonprofit corporations, limited liability companies, and limited partnerships, for the construction or rehabilitation of housing for agricultural employees and their families or for the acquisition of manufactured housing as part of a program to address and remedy the impacts of current and potential displacement of farmworker families from existing labor camps, mobilehome parks, or other housing. These funds may also be expended for any authorized purpose of this program. These funds may also be used to provide technical assistance pursuant to Section 54007. Any funds not encumbered for the purposes of this subdivision by November 6, 2028, shall revert for general use in the Multifamily Housing Program authorized by Chapter 6.7 (commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2, unless the Department

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of Housing and Community Development determines that funds should revert sooner due to diminished demand.

- (f) Three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) to be deposited in the Affordable Housing Innovation Fund established pursuant to subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 53545. Moneys in the fund shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, pursuant to the Local Housing Trust Fund Matching Grant Program established by Section 50842.2 to fund competitive grants or loans to local housing trust funds that develop, own, lend, or invest in affordable housing and used to create pilot programs to demonstrate innovative, cost-saving approaches to creating or preserving affordable housing. Local housing trust funds shall be derived on an ongoing basis from private contribution or governmental sources that are not otherwise restricted in use for housing programs. These funds may also be expended for any authorized purpose of this program. Any funds not encumbered for the purposes of this subdivision by November 6, 2028, shall revert for general use in the Multifamily Housing Program authorized by Chapter 6.7 (commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2, unless the Department of Housing and Community Development determines that funds should revert sooner due to diminished demand.
- (g) Three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) to be deposited in the Self-Help Housing Fund established pursuant to Section 50697.1. The moneys in the fund shall be available for the CalHome Program authorized by Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 50650) of Part 2, to provide direct, forgivable loans to assist development projects involving multiple home ownership units, including single-family subdivisions, for self-help mortgage assistance programs, and for manufactured homes. These funds may also be expended for any authorized purpose of this program. At least thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) of the amount deposited in the Self-Help Housing Fund shall be used to provide grants or forgivable loans to assist in the rehabilitation or replacement, or both, of existing mobilehomes located in a mobilehome or manufactured home community. These funds may also be used to provide technical assistance pursuant to Section 54007. Any funds not encumbered for the purposes of this subdivision by November 6, 2028, shall revert for general use in the Multifamily Housing Program authorized by Chapter 6.7

(commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2, unless the Department of Housing and Community Development determines that funds should revert sooner due to diminished demand.

- 54007. (a) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, the Department of Housing and Community Development may provide technical assistance to eligible counties and eligible cities, or developers of affordable housing within eligible counties and eligible cities, to facilitate the construction of housing for the target populations for the following programs funded pursuant to this part:
- (A) The Multifamily Housing Program (Chapter 6.7 (commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2).
- (B) The Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program (Chapter 3.2 (commencing with Section 50515.2) of Part 2).
- (C) The CalHome Program (Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 50650) of Part 2).
- (2) Technical assistance pursuant to this section shall be provided using the bond proceeds allocated pursuant to Section 54006 to the program for which the technical assistance is provided.
- (3) The Department of Housing and Community Development shall not provide more than three hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$360,000) total in technical assistance pursuant to this section, and an eligible county or eligible city shall not receive more than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) in technical assistance annually.
- (b) For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:
- (1) "Eligible city" means a city that is located within a county with a population of 150,000 residents or fewer.
- (2) "Eligible county" means a county with a population of 150,000 residents or fewer.
- (3) "Technical assistance" includes engineering assistance and environmental review related to an affordable housing project and reimbursement of administrative costs related to developing a grant proposal.
- 54008. (a) The Legislature may, from time to time, amend any law related to programs to which funds are, or have been, allocated pursuant to this chapter for the purposes of improving the efficiency and effectiveness of those programs or to further the goals of those programs.

(b) The Legislature may amend this chapter to reallocate the proceeds of bonds issued and sold pursuant to this part among the programs to which funds are to be allocated pursuant to this chapter as necessary to effectively promote the development of affordable housing in this state.

54009. Programs funded with bond proceeds shall, when allocating financial support, give preference to projects that are "public works" for purposes of Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 1720) of Part 7 of Division 2 of the Labor Code and other projects on which all construction workers will be paid at least the general prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of Industrial Relations.

#### CHAPTER 3. FISCAL PROVISIONS

54010. Bonds in the total amount of three billion dollars (\$3,000,000,000), exclusive of refunding bonds issued pursuant to Section 54026, or so much thereof as is necessary as determined by the committee, are hereby authorized to be issued and sold for carrying out the purposes expressed in this part and to reimburse the General Obligation Bond Expense Revolving Fund pursuant to Section 16724.5 of the Government Code. All bonds herein authorized which have been duly issued, sold, and delivered as provided herein shall constitute valid and binding general obligations of the state, and the full faith and credit of the state is hereby pledged for the punctual payment of both principal of and interest on those bonds when due.

54012. The bonds authorized by this part shall be prepared, executed, issued, sold, paid, and redeemed as provided in the State General Obligation Bond Law (Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code), except subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 16727 of the Government Code, and all of the provisions of that law as amended from time to time apply to the bonds and to this part, except as provided in Section 54028, and are hereby incorporated in this part as though set forth in full in this part.

54014. (a) Solely for the purpose of authorizing the issuance and sale, pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, of the bonds authorized by this part, the committee is continued in existence. For the purposes of this part, the Housing Finance

Committee is "the committee" as that term is used in the State General Obligation Bond Law.

- (b) The Department of Housing and Community Development may adopt guidelines establishing requirements for administration of its financing programs. The guidelines shall not constitute rules, regulations, orders, or standards of general application and are not subject to Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.
- (c) For the purposes of the State General Obligation Bond Law, the Department of Housing and Community Development is designated the "board" for programs administered by the department, and the California Housing Finance Agency is the "board" for programs administered by the agency.
- 54016. Upon request of the board stating that funds are needed for purposes of this part, the committee shall determine whether or not it is necessary or desirable to issue bonds, and, if so, the amount of bonds to be issued and sold. Successive issues of bonds may be authorized and sold to carry out those actions progressively, and are not required to be sold at any one time. Bonds may bear interest subject to federal income tax.
- 54018. There shall be collected annually, in the same manner and at the same time as other state revenue is collected, a sum of money in addition to the ordinary revenues of the state, sufficient to pay the principal of, and interest on, the bonds each year. It is the duty of all officers charged by law with any duty in regard to the collections of state revenues to do or perform each and every act which is necessary to collect that additional sum.
- 54020. Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, there is hereby appropriated from the General Fund in the State Treasury, for the purposes of this part, an amount that will equal the total of both of the following:
- (a) The sum annually necessary to pay the principal of, and interest on, bonds issued and sold pursuant to this part, as the principal and interest become due and payable.
- (b) The sum which is necessary to carry out Section 54024, appropriated without regard to fiscal years.
- 54022. The board may request the Pooled Money Investment Board to make a loan from the Pooled Money Investment Account, in accordance with Section 16312 of the Government Code, for purposes of this part. The amount of the request shall not exceed

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the amount of the unsold bonds that the committee has, by resolution, authorized to be sold, excluding any refunding bonds authorized pursuant to Section 54026, for purposes of this part, less any amount loaned pursuant to this section and not yet repaid and any amount withdrawn from the General Fund pursuant to Section 54024 and not yet returned to the General Fund. The board shall execute any documents as required by the Pooled Money Investment Board to obtain and repay the loan. Any amount loaned shall be deposited in the fund to be allocated in accordance with this part.

54024. For purposes of carrying out this part, the Director of Finance may, by executive order, authorize the withdrawal from the General Fund of any amount or amounts not to exceed the amount of the unsold bonds that the committee has, by resolution, authorized to be sold, excluding any refunding bonds authorized pursuant to Section 54026, for purposes of this part, less any amount loaned pursuant to Section 54022 and not yet repaid and any amount withdrawn from the General Fund pursuant to this section and not yet returned to the General Fund. Any amounts withdrawn shall be deposited in the fund to be allocated in accordance with this part. Any moneys made available under this section shall be returned to the General Fund, plus the interest that the amounts would have earned in the Pooled Money Investment Account, from moneys received from the sale of bonds which would otherwise be deposited in that fund.

54026. The bonds may be refunded in accordance with Article 6 (commencing with Section 16780) of Chapter 4 of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code. Approval by the electors of this act shall constitute approval of any refunding bonds issued to refund bonds issued pursuant to this part, including any prior issued refunding bonds. Any bond refunded with the proceeds of a refunding bond as authorized by this section may be legally defeased to the extent permitted by law in the manner and to the extent set forth in the resolution, as amended from time to time, authorizing that refunded bond.

54028. Notwithstanding any provisions in the State General Obligation Bond Law, the maturity date of any bonds authorized by this part shall not be later than 35 years from the date of each such bond. The maturity of each series shall be calculated from the date of issuance of each bond.

54030. The Legislature hereby finds and declares that, inasmuch as the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this part are not "proceeds of taxes" as that term is used in Article XIII B of the California Constitution, the disbursement of these proceeds is not subject to the limitations imposed by that article.

54032. Notwithstanding any provision of the State General Obligation Bond Law with regard to the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this part that are subject to investment under Article 4 (commencing with Section 16470) of Chapter 3 of Part 2 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code, the Treasurer may maintain a separate account for investment earnings, may order the payment of those earnings to comply with any rebate requirement applicable under federal law, and may otherwise direct the use and investment of those proceeds so as to maintain the tax-exempt status of tax-exempt bonds and to obtain any other advantage under federal law on behalf of the funds of this state.

54034. All moneys derived from premiums and accrued interest on bonds sold pursuant to this part shall be transferred to the General Fund as a credit to expenditures for bond interest; provided, however, that amounts derived from premiums may be reserved and used to pay the costs of bond issuance prior to transfer to the General Fund.

SEC. 4. Article 5z (commencing with Section 998.600) is added to Chapter 6 of Division 4 of the Military and Veterans Code, to read:

# Article 5z. The Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018

998.600. Together with Part 16 (commencing with Section 54000) of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code, this article shall be known and may be cited as the Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018.

998.601. (a) The State General Obligation Bond Law (Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code), as amended from time to time, except as otherwise provided herein, is adopted for the purpose of the issuance, sale, and repayment of, and otherwise providing with respect to, the bonds authorized to be issued by this article, and the provisions of that law are included in this article as though set

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out in full in this article. All references in this article to "herein" refer both to this article and that law.

(b) For purposes of the State General Obligation Bond Law, the Department of Veterans Affairs is designated the board.

998.602. As used herein, the following terms have the following

meanings:

(a) "Board" means the Department of Veterans Affairs.

(b) "Bond" means a veterans' bond, a state general obligation bond, issued pursuant to this article adopting the provisions of the State General Obligation Bond Law.

(c) "Bond act" means this article authorizing the issuance of state general obligation bonds and adopting the State General

Obligation Bond Law by reference.

(d) "Committee" means the Veterans Finance Committee of 1943, established by Section 991.

(e) "Fund" means the Veterans' Farm and Home Building Fund

of 1943, established by Section 988.

(f) "Payment Fund" means the Veterans' Bonds Payment Fund

established by Section 988.6.

998.603. For the purpose of creating a fund to provide farm and home aid for veterans in accordance with the Veterans' Farm and Home Purchase Act of 1974 (Article 3.1 (commencing with Section 987.50)), and of all acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, the committee may create a debt or debts, liability or liabilities, of the State of California, in the aggregate amount of not more than one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000), exclusive of refunding bonds, in the manner provided herein.

998.604. (a) All bonds authorized by this article, when duly sold and delivered as provided herein, constitute valid and legally binding general obligations of the State of California, and the full faith and credit of the State of California is hereby pledged for the

punctual payment of both principal and interest thereof.

(b) There shall be collected annually, in the same manner and at the same time as other state revenue is collected, a sum of money, in addition to the ordinary revenues of the state, sufficient to pay the principal of, and interest on, these bonds as provided herein, and all officers required by law to perform any duty in regard to the collection of state revenues shall collect this additional sum.

(c) On the dates on which funds are to be remitted pursuant to Section 16676 of the Government Code for the payment of debt service on the bonds in each fiscal year, there shall be transferred to the Payment Fund to pay the debt service all of the money in the fund, not in excess of the amount of debt service then due and payable. If the money transferred on the remittance dates is less than debt service then due and payable, the balance remaining unpaid shall be transferred to the General Fund out of the fund as soon as it shall become available, together with interest thereon from the remittance date until paid, at the same rate of interest as borne by the bonds, compounded semiannually. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, this subdivision shall apply to all veterans' farm and home purchase bond acts pursuant to this chapter. This subdivision does not grant any lien on the fund, the Payment Fund, or the moneys therein to the holders of any bonds issued under this article. For the purposes of this subdivision, "debt service" means the principal (whether due at maturity, by redemption, or acceleration), premium, if any, or interest payable on any date with respect to any series of bonds. This subdivision shall not apply, however, in the case of any debt service that is payable from the proceeds of any refunding bonds.

998.605. There is hereby appropriated from the General Fund, for purposes of this article, a sum of money that will equal both of the following:

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(a) That sum annually necessary to pay the principal of, and the interest on, the bonds issued and sold as provided herein, as that principal and interest become due and payable.

(b) That sum necessary to carry out Section 998.606,

appropriated without regard to fiscal years.

998.606. For the purposes of this article, the Director of Finance may, by executive order, authorize the withdrawal from the General Fund of a sum of money not to exceed the amount of the unsold bonds which have been authorized by the committee to be sold pursuant to this article. Any sums withdrawn shall be deposited in the fund. All moneys made available under this section to the board shall be returned by the board to the General Fund, plus the interest that the amounts would have earned in the Pooled Money Investment Account, from the sale of bonds for the purpose of carrying out this article.

998.607. The board may request the Pooled Money Investment Board to make a loan from the Pooled Money Investment Account, in accordance with Section 16312 of the Government Code, for the purposes of carrying out this article. The amount of the request shall not exceed the amount of unsold bonds which the committee has, by resolution, authorized to be sold for the purpose of carrying out this article. The board shall execute whatever documents are required by the Pooled Money Investment Board to obtain and repay the loan. Any amounts loaned shall be deposited in the fund to be allocated by the board in accordance with this article.

998.608. Upon request of the board, supported by a statement of its plans and projects approved by the Governor, the committee shall determine whether to issue any bonds authorized under this article in order to carry out the board's plans and projects, and, if so, the amount of bonds to be issued and sold. Successive issues of bonds may be authorized and sold to carry out these plans and projects progressively, and it is not necessary that all of the bonds be issued or sold at any one time.

998.609. (a) As long as any bonds authorized under this article are outstanding, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall, at the close of each fiscal year, require a survey of the financial condition of the Division of Farm and Home Purchases, together with a projection of the division's operations, to be made by an independent public accountant of recognized standing. The results of each survey and projection shall be reported in writing by the public accountant to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the California Veterans Board, the appropriate policy committees dealing with veterans affairs in the Senate and the Assembly, and the committee.

(b) The Division of Farm and Home Purchases shall reimburse the public accountant for these services out of any money that the division may have available on deposit with the Treasurer.

998.610. (a) The committee may authorize the Treasurer to sell all or any part of the bonds authorized by this article at the time or times established by the Treasurer.

(b) Whenever the committee deems it necessary for an effective sale of the bonds, the committee may authorize the Treasurer to sell any issue of bonds at less than their par value, notwithstanding Section 16754 of the Government Code. However, the discount on the bonds shall not exceed 3 percent of the par value thereof.

998.611. Out of the first money realized from the sale of bonds as provided herein, there shall be redeposited in the General Obligation Bond Expense Revolving Fund, established by Section 16724.5 of the Government Code, the amount of all expenditures made for the purposes specified in that section, and this money may be used for the same purpose and repaid in the same manner whenever additional bond sales are made.

998.612. Any bonds issued and sold pursuant to this article may be refunded in accordance with Article 6 (commencing with Section 16780) of Chapter 4 of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code. The approval of the voters for the issuance of bonds under this article includes approval for the issuance of bonds issued to refund bonds originally issued or any previously issued refunding bonds.

998.613. Notwithstanding any provision of the bond act, if the Treasurer sells bonds under this article for which bond counsel has issued an opinion to the effect that the interest on the bonds is excludable from gross income for purposes of federal income tax, subject to any conditions which may be designated, the Treasurer may establish separate accounts for the investment of bond proceeds and for the earnings on those proceeds, and may use those proceeds or earnings to pay any rebate, penalty, or other payment required by federal law or take any other action with respect to the investment and use of bond proceeds required or permitted under federal law necessary to maintain the tax-exempt status of the bonds or to obtain any other advantage under federal law on behalf of the funds of this state.

998.614. The Legislature hereby finds and declares that, inasmuch as the proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this article are not "proceeds of taxes" as that term is used in Article XIII B of the California Constitution, the disbursement of these proceeds is not subject to the limitations imposed by Article XIII B.

SEC. 5. Sections 3 and 4 of this act shall become operative upon the adoption by the voters of the Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018.

SEC. 6. Sections 3 and 4 of this act shall be submitted by the Secretary of State to the voters as a single measure, the Veterans and Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018, at the November 6, 2018, statewide general election.

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SEC. 7. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

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In order to maximize the time available for the analysis and preparation of the proposed issuance of bonds pursuant to Sections 3 and 4 of this act, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

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August 11, 2017

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Attention: Ashley Johansson, initiative coordinator

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Dear Attorney General Becerra:

Enclosed are amendments to our water bond initiative, 17-0010. Please prepare a title and summary based on this amended initiative. A copy in underline and strikeout is provided, as well as a clean copy. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

#### SECTION 1.

Division 38 (commencing with Section 86000) is added to the Water Code, to read:

**DIVISION 38.** State water supply infrastructure, water conveyance, ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration, and drinking water protection act of 2018.

#### **CHAPTER 1. Short Title.**

**86000.** This division shall be known and may be cited as the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018.

# **CHAPTER 2. Findings and Declarations.**

**86001.** The people find and declare the following:

- (a) In our frequently very dry state, our high-tech, agricultural and urbanized economy relies on an uninterrupted and high-quality water supply. By making water use more efficient, reducing the demand for water, providing new and diverse water supplies, improving the quality of our source watersheds, and protecting key environmental uses of water, this measure will assure that the economic and environmental engines of California are not derailed by a shortage of water.
- (b) California's recent historic drought raises serious questions about the long-term reliability of our current water supplies. The drought underscores the need to use our existing water supplies more efficiently, increase investments in our water infrastructure, and more effectively integrate our water system from the headwaters to the end user.
- (c) California's water situation requires implementation of the Governor's Water Action Plan to provide for the water needs ofpeople, agriculture and the environment. This division will help provide a more reliable water supply by reducing waste, increasing the amount of water available to meet our needs, and improving water quality. This division also provides additional protection for our communities from floods.
- (d) This division will implement cost effective methods of water development and conservation to meet California's present and future water needs in a changing climate, including capture of urban drainage and stormwater runoff, groundwater and brackish water desalting, groundwater storage, water recycling, water conservation, and watershed management, restoration, enhancement and protection.
- (e) Many of the water supply and water quality investments provided by this division will be matched by agencies and grant recipients, more than doubling the effectiveness of the funding provided.
- (f) Agencies implementing this division will give high priority to cost-effective projects, and to the most durable and most environmentally beneficial projects. Funding will go to projects that contribute to implementation of the Governor's Water Action Plan, the goal of which is to increase the resiliency of the California water system and the ability of California communities to cope with drought conditions.

- (g) Every Californian has a right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible drinking water. By complying with Section 106.3, agencies providing funds for safe drinking water pursuant to this division will help achieve the intent of that Section.
- (h) This division provides a fair and reasonable distribution of funds directly and indirectly benefitting every region of the state.
- (i) This division provides short and long-term cost-effective actions to address the water shortages caused by the recent drought, and will help prepare local communities for future droughts. Droughts reduce water supplies for people, agriculture and the environment. This division will help meet the water needs of people, agriculture, and the environment and make California more resilient in the face of a changing climate.
- (j) By improving the health and water productivity of watersheds, communities will become more self-reliant with respect to water supply, and local environmental quality will be increased.
- (k) By removing invasive plants such as yellow starthistle, giant reed (*Arundo donax*) and tamarisk, water supply will be increased and habitat for fish and wildlife will be improved.
- (I) Flooding can devastate communities and infrastructure. We can make better use of floodwaters by capturing waters and putting them to use in our communities, on our farms, and by recharging groundwater basins. By providing funds to intelligently manage our watersheds and floodplains, this division will also help avoid flood damage, improve fish and wildlife habitat, remove pollutants from our water supply, enhance groundwater, remediate aquifers and improve the environment. Better floodplain management may allow improved operation of upstream reservoirs for water supply purposes.
- (m) Severe fire conditions can lead to significant erosion, reduced water quality and impacts on water infrastructure. This division provides funding to manage forests and watersheds to reduce fire danger, mitigate the effects of wildfires on water supply and quality, and enhance water supplies.
- (n) This division funds the following programs, which respond to human and environmental water needs in California:
- (1) Improvement of water supply and water quality utilizing cost effective methods, including water conservation, desalting of groundwater and other inland saline water, stormwater management, wastewater recycling, and similar water management measures.
- (2) Better management of forest and rangeland watersheds, such as through the Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program to improve the pattern, quantity and quality of water runoff and groundwater recharge. Improving soil health improves the ability of the ground to better contain groundwater and moderate the rate of water runoff.
- (3) Better groundwater management, including faster implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, and better recognition of the connection between surface and groundwater.
- (4) Provision of water for fish and wildlife, including restoration of the Pacific Flyway and management of habitat in a dynamic way to respond to changing environmental conditions.

- (5) Increased capacity to convey water resulting in greater groundwater recharge and improved conveyance and utilization of floodwaters for use in drought years.
- (o) The State Water Resources Control Board, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, and many other agencies have recognized that providing funding for fish habitat enhancement is vital to restoring native California fish populations, and that relying solely on flow to restore those populations will not be sufficient. Providing funding for fish habitat enhancement is a vital complement to reasonable flows to protect fish.
- (p) California has lost ninety-five percent (95%) of its historical wetlands. These wetlands provide food, water and cover for migratory and other birds, fish, mammals, reptiles, amphibians and a vast number of plant species. Many species may become endangered or threatened without wetlands and many more survive only due to wetlands available today. This division combines work to sustain and protect current wetlands with the potential to increase wetlands in California to support a thriving flora and fauna.
- (q) The implementation of this division will result in cost savings to local governments immediately by substantially more than one billion dollars, and reduce local government operating costs by hundreds of millions of dollars per year. This division will provide funding that displaces local government funding, resulting in the implementation of projects in the following areas. These projects would have eventually been implemented by local government.
- (1) Safe Drinking Water. State direct and matching funds will reduce the cost to local government of implementing drinking water and wastewater treatment systems, and to some extent the operation of those systems.
- (2) Wastewater recycling. State funds will reduce the cost of these plants, reducing the capital cost of the projects for local governments. By reducing local government capital costs, the cost of water from these plants will also be reduced. Implementation of wastewater recycling plants will defer the need for more expensive alternative sources of water supply, thus further reducing local capital and operating costs.
- (3) Groundwater desalting. State funds will reduce the cost of these plants, reducing the capital cost of the projects for local governments. By reducing local government capital costs, the cost of water from these plants will also be reduced. Implementation of groundwater desalting plants will defer the need for more expensive alternative sources of water supply, thus further reducing local capital and operating costs.
- (4) Water Conservation. State funds will reduce the cost of these projects, reducing costs to local government. More importantly, reduced water demand resulting from these projects will reduce operating costs, and will temporarily or permanently defer the construction and operating costs of more expensive capital outlay projects needed to provide new water.
- (5) Repairing flood control reservoirs. State funds will reduce the costs of these projects for local government.
- (6) San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority funds. State investment in wetlands projects providing flood protection around San Francisco Bay will reduce flood risk associated with climate change. This will reduce the cost of other flood control measures, and more importantly will reduce flood damage which often results in tremendous costs to local government for facility repair.

- (7) Stormwater funding. Regulations imposed by the State Water Resources Control Board and various regional water quality control boards will result in the construction of various capital outlay projects costing billions of dollars. Providing funds through this measure will reduce the cost of these projects to local government.
- (8) Fisheries restoration. This division provides hundreds of millions of dollars for fisheries restoration. Local and regional water agencies are voluntarily undertaking many of these projects. By providing state funds, this division will reduce local costs. In addition, the resulting increase in fish populations will make it possible to improve local water supplies, avoiding local government costs to provide replacement water supplies costing hundreds of millions or even billions of dollars.
- (9) Bay Area Regional Reliability. Bay Area water districts are undertaking extensive improvements in their water distribution systems to interconnect their water supplies for greater drought water supply reliability and other benefits. By providing funds for this program, this division will reduce their costs by two hundred and fifty million dollars (\$250,000,000).
- (10) Friant Kern Canal Repair. Groundwater overdraft has caused subsidence of the Friant Kern Canal. State funds to repair the canal will reduce the cost of repairing the canal to local water districts. Avoiding the cost to finance this project will also save tens of millions of dollars per year in interest costs which would have to be paid by these districts.
- (11) Oroville Dam Repair. Although the costs of repairing Oroville Dam should be covered by the federal government either through the Federal Emergency Management Agency or the Corps of Engineers, the federal government may not fulfill this obligation. If the State Water Resources Development System contractors, all local agencies, are forced to cover all or part of these costs, this division will reduce their costs by two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000). Interest costs would also be reduced.
- (r) Substantial funds remain to be allocated to storage projects pursuant to Division 26.7. For this reason, and so as not to interfere with the work of the California Water Commission in awarding these funds, this measure does not include funding for the construction of specific storage projects.

#### **CHAPTER 3. Definitions.**

- **86002.** Unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions set forth in this section govern the construction of this division, as follows:
- (a) "Conservation" means rehabilitation, stabilization, restoration, reduced water use, development, and reconstruction, or any combination of those activities.
- (b) "Conservation actions on private lands" means projects implemented with willing landowners that involve the adaptive and flexible management of natural resources in response to changing conditions and threats to habitat and wildlife. These investments and actions are specifically designed to create habitat conditions on private lands which, when managed dynamically over time, contribute to the long-term health and resiliency of vital ecosystems and enhance wildlife populations.
- (c) "Delta" means the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta as defined in Section 12220.
- (d) "Department" means the Department of Water Resources.

- (e) "Desalination" means removing salt and other contaminants from polluted groundwater or other inland sources of water containing salts, including brackish water.
- (f) "Disadvantaged community" has the meaning set forth in subdivision (a) of Section 79505.5, as it may be amended.
- (g) "Economically distressed area" has the meaning set forth in subdivision (k) of Section 79702, as it may be amended.
- (h) "Finance committee" means the Water Supply Reliability and Drought Protection Finance Committee created by Section 86182.
- (i) "Fund" means the Water Supply Reliability and Drought Protection Fund of 2018 created by Section 86169.
- (j) "Groundwater sustainability agency" means an agency defined in subdivision (j) of Section 10721.
- (k) "Integrated Regional Water Management Plan" means a comprehensive plan for a defined geographic area that meets the requirements of Part 2.2 (commencing with Section 10530) of Division 6, as that part may be amended.
- (I) "Invasive plant" means a terrestrial or aquatic plant not native to California of no or negligible agricultural value which does any of the following: displaces native plants, threatens native plant biodiversity, harms agricultural or rangeland productivity, degrades wildlife habitat, contributes to fire hazard, or uses more water than the plants it displaces.
- (m) "Multi-benefit project" means a project that serves more than one purpose, including but not limited to flood management, water supply, water quality improvement, environmental enhancement, recreation, energy conservation, reduction of emission of climate-changing gases, and fish and wildlife improvement.
- (n) "Nonprofit organization" means an organization qualified to do business in California and exempt under Section 501(c)(3) or Section 501(c)(6) of Title 26 of the United States Code, to the extent permitted by state and federal law.
- (o) "Protection" means those actions necessary to prevent harm or damage to persons, property or natural resources or those actions necessary to allow the continued use and enjoyment of property or natural resources and includes acquisition, development, restoration, conservation, preservation and interpretation as interpretation is defined in subdivision (i) of Section 75005 of the Public Resources Code.
- (p) "Public agency" means a state agency or department, special district, joint powers authority, city, county, city and county, or other political subdivision of the state.
- (q) "Public water systems" are defined in subdivision (h) of section 116275 of the Health and Safety Code and means regional, municipal, and district urban water suppliers, including privately owned water suppliers as defined in Part 2.6, Section 10617 of the Water Code Division 6.
- (r) "Restoration" means the improvement of physical structures or facilities and, in the case of natural systems and landscape features, includes but is not limited to projects that improve physical and

ecological processes, including but not limited to erosion control; sediment management; the control and elimination of invasive species; prescribed burning; fuel hazard reduction; fencing out threats to existing or restored natural resources; meadow, wetland, riparian, and stream restoration; and other plant and wildlife habitat improvement to increase the natural system value of the property. Restoration projects shall include the planning, monitoring and reporting necessary to ensure successful implementation of the project objectives.

- (s) "Severely disadvantaged community" means a community with a median household income of less than 60 percent (60%) of the statewide median household income.
- (t) "Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program" is a coordinated, integrated, collaborative program to restore the health of California's primary watershed by increasing the pace and scale of forest restoration in order to maintain the important benefits that the Sierra Nevada region provides.
- (u) "State board" means the State Water Resources Control Board.
- (v) "State General Obligation Bond Law" means the State General Obligation Bond Law, Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.
- (w) "Stormwater" and "dry weather runoff" are defined as in Section 10561.5.
- (x) "Stormwater Resource Plans" are defined as in Part 2.3 (commencing with Section 10560) of Division 6.

# CHAPTER 4. Accountability.

- **86003.** (a) (1) The California Natural Resources Agency shall provide for an independent audit of expenditures pursuant to this division no less than every three years.
- (2) On or before January 10, 2020, and every six months thereafter, the Natural Resources Agency shall publish on its website a report that contains all of the following information relating to this division for the previous six months with the information summarized by section of this division:
  - (A) Funding encumbrances.
  - (B) Summary of new projects funded.
  - (C) Summary of projects completed.
- (D) Discussion of progress towards meeting the metrics of success established pursuant to Section 86157.
- (E) Discussion of common challenges experienced by state agencies and recipients of funding in executing projects.
- (F) Discussion of major accomplishments and successes experienced by state agencies and recipients of funding in executing projects.
- (3) This subsection shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2028, and as of that date is repealed.
- (b) The Department of Finance or the Controller, or the California State Auditor at the direction of the Legislature, may conduct an audit of the expenditures of any state agency receiving funding pursuant to

this act.

(c) The state agency issuing any grant with funding authorized by this division shall require adequate reporting of the expenditures of the funding from the grant.

#### CHAPTER 5. Improvement of Water Supply and Water Quality.

#### CHAPTER 5.1. Safe Drinking Water.

**86004**. The sum of seven hundred fifty million dollars (\$750,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the State board for expenditures, grants, and loans to improve water quality or help provide clean, safe, and reliable drinking water to all Californians.

**86005**. The projects eligible for funding pursuant to this chapter shall help improve water quality for a beneficial use. The purposes of this chapter are to:

- (a) Reduce contaminants in drinking water supplies regardless of the source of the water or the contamination.
- (b) Assess and prioritize the risk of contamination to drinking water supplies.
- (c) Address the critical and immediate needs of disadvantaged, rural, or small communities that suffer from contaminated or inadequate drinking water supplies, including, but not limited to, projects that address a public health emergency.
- (d) Leverage other private, federal, state, and local drinking water quality and wastewater treatment funds.
- (e) Provide disadvantaged communities with public drinking water infrastructure that provides clean, safe, and reliable drinking water supplies that the community can sustain over the long term.
- (f) Ensure access to clean, safe, reliable, and affordable drinking water for California's communities.
- (g) Meet primary and secondary drinking water standards or remove contaminants identified by the state or federal government to meet primary or secondary drinking water standards.

**86006.** The contaminants that may be addressed with funding pursuant to this chapter may include, but shall not be limited to, lead, nitrates, perchlorate, MTBE (methyl tertiary butyl ether), arsenic, selenium, hexavalent chromium, mercury, PCE (perchloroethylene), TCE (trichloroethylene), DCE (dichloroethene), DCA (dichloroethane), 1,2,3-TCP (trichloropropane), carbon tetrachloride, 1,4-dioxane, 1,4-dioxacyclohexane, nitrosodimethylamine, bromide, iron, manganese, total dissolved solids, electrical conductivity, and uranium.

**86007**. (a) (1) Of the funds authorized by Section 86004, five hundred million dollars (\$500,000,000) shall be available for grants and loans for public water system infrastructure improvements and related actions to meet safe drinking water standards, ensure affordable drinking water, or both. Priority shall be given to projects that provide treatment for contamination or access to an alternate drinking water source or sources for small community water systems or state small water systems in disadvantaged communities whose drinking water source is impaired by chemical and nitrate contaminants and other health hazards

identified by the State board. Eligible recipients serve disadvantaged communities and are public water systems or public agencies.

- (2) Eligible expenses may include initial operation and maintenance costs for systems serving disadvantaged communities. Priority shall be given to projects that provide shared solutions for multiple communities, at least one of which is a disadvantaged community that lacks safe, affordable drinking water and is served by a small community water system, state small water system, or a private well. Construction grants shall be limited to five million dollars (\$5,000,000) per project, except that the State board may set a limit of not more than twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) for projects that provide regional benefits or are shared among multiple entities, including consolidation of two or more drinking water systems, at least one of which shall be a small disadvantaged community. Not more than 50 percent (50%) of a grant may be awarded in advance of actual expenditures.
- (3) For the purposes of this subdivision, "initial operation and maintenance costs" means those initial, eligible, and reimbursable costs under a construction funding agreement that are incurred up to, and including, but not limited to, initial startup testing of the constructed project in order to deem the project complete. Initial operation and maintenance costs are eligible to receive funding pursuant to this section for a period not to exceed three years.
- (b) Of the funds authorized by this section, up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) shall be available for grants to provide school children with safe drinking water under the Drinking Water for Schools Grant Program pursuant to Section 116276 of the Health and Safety Code.

**86008**. Of the funds authorized by Section 86004, two hundred fifty million dollars (\$250,000,000) shall be available for deposit in the State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Small Community Grant Fund created pursuant to Section 13477.6 for grants and loans for wastewater treatment projects. Priority shall be given to projects that serve disadvantaged communities and severely disadvantaged communities, and to projects that address public health hazards. Projects may include, but not be limited to, projects that identify, plan, design, and implement regional mechanisms to consolidate wastewater systems or provide affordable treatment technologies.

**86009**. Of the funds authorized by Section 86004, up to sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000) shall be made available for drinking water infrastructure and/or wastewater improvements on private property, or for interim replacement drinking water supplies.

- (a) Funds may be used for the following purposes:
  - (1) To conduct water quality testing of drinking water wells.
- (2) To install and replace laterals, repair or replace private wells or onsite wastewater systems, properly close abandoned wells and septic system infrastructure, and provide infrastructure necessary to connect residences to a public water or wastewater system.
  - (3) To replace interior drinking water plumbing and fixtures that contain lead.
  - (4) To provide interim replacement drinking water supplies.
- (b) The State board may establish a revolving loan fund to facilitate financing for activities allowable under this section.

- (c) Priority shall be given to projects that assist low-income homeowners, including mobile home owners, and vulnerable populations.
- **86010**. (a) For the purposes of awarding funding pursuant to this chapter, a local cost share of not less than 50 percent (50%) of the total costs of the project shall be required. The cost-sharing requirement may be waived or reduced for projects that directly benefit a disadvantaged community or an economically distressed area.
- (b) At least 10 percent (10%) of the funds available pursuant to this chapter shall be allocated for projects serving severely disadvantaged communities.
- (c) Up to 15 percent (15%) of the funds available pursuant to this chapter may be allocated for technical assistance to disadvantaged communities. The State board shall operate a multidisciplinary technical assistance program for small and disadvantaged communities which may include, but is not limited to, outreach and education, needs assessments, review of alternative approaches to provide communities with safe drinking water or wastewater services, project selection and design, board and operator training, and other technical, managerial, and financial capacity building assistance for utilities serving disadvantaged communities related to providing communities with safe drinking water or wastewater services. The agency may also contract with a nonprofit organization, resource conservation district, or other local agency to provide these services.

# **CHAPTER 5.2. Water Recycling and Desalination.**

**86020.** The sum of four hundred million dollars (\$400,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the State board to award grants and loans to eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 on a competitive basis for wastewater recycling projects. Grants pursuant to this section may be made for all of the following:

- (a) Water recycling projects, including, but not limited to, treatment, storage, conveyance, brine disposal, and distribution facilities for potable and nonpotable recycling projects.
- (b) Dedicated distribution infrastructure to serve residential, commercial, agricultural, fish and wildlife habitat, and industrial end-user retrofit projects to allow use of recycled water.
- (c) Pilot projects for new potable reuse and contaminant removal technology.
- (d) Multi-benefit recycled water projects that improve water quality.
- (e) Multi-benefit recycled water projects that protect, conserve and restore wetland and other wildlife habitat.
- (f) Technical assistance and grant writing assistance related to specific projects for disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas.
- **86021.** The sum of four hundred million dollars (\$400,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the State board to award grants to eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 on a competitive basis for desalination of brackish groundwater, and other brackish water desalination projects which do

not directly negatively affect riparian habitat, estuaries, coastal bays, coastal lagoons, or ocean waters of California as defined by the State board. Grants pursuant to this section must comply with the requirements of this section, and may be made for all of the following:

- (a) Treatment, storage, conveyance, and distribution facilities. Projects may remove contaminants in addition to salts, but shall be primarily constructed and operated to remove salt.
- (b) Distribution infrastructure to serve residential, commercial, agricultural, fish and wildlife habitat, and industrial end-user retrofit projects to allow use of desalted water.
- (c) Multi-benefit salt removal projects that improve water quality.
- (d) Technical assistance and grant writing assistance related to specific projects for disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas.
- (e) Multi-benefit salt removal projects that provide water supply for wetland and other wildlife habitat.
- (f) Technical assistance and grant writing assistance related to specific projects for disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas.
- **86022.** No grant made pursuant to this chapter shall exceed fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the project, but this requirement may be eliminated or reduced for that portion of projects that primarily serve disadvantaged communities, economically distressed areas, or wildlife habitat.
- **86023.** Projects funded pursuant to this chapter shall be selected on a competitive basis with priority given to the following criteria:
- (a) Water supply reliability improvement.
- (b) Water quality and ecosystem benefits related to decreased reliance on diversions from the Delta or from local rivers and streams, and benefits related to attainment of beneficial uses and water quality objectives in local receiving waters.
- (c) Public health benefits from improved drinking water quality or supply.
- (d) Cost-effectiveness, based on the amount of water produced per dollar invested, and other cost-effectiveness criteria adopted by the State board.
- (e) Energy efficiency and greenhouse gas emission reductions.
- (f) Water supply or water quality improvements benefitting disadvantaged communities.
- (g) Protection and restoration of fish and wildlife habitat, as well as provision of a reliable water supply for fish and wildlife.

#### CHAPTER 5.3. Water Conservation.

86030. The sum of three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the

department for the following purposes:

- (a) Statewide turf removal program.
- (1) The program shall provide financial incentives to public and private property owners to convert their irrigated or watered landscaping to drought tolerant plantings, including appropriate low water using plants. The department shall set a maximum amount each applicant can receive, and shall allow greater incentives to low-income homeowners who could not otherwise afford to participate in the landscape water conversion program. No less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the funds allocated to this program shall be spent on programs benefitting residential property owners. The department shall make awards to nonresidential applicants on the basis of cost-effectiveness with respect to water supply. Each grant must reduce water consumption by at least fifty percent (50%) compared to current water use.
- (2) The most cost-effective projects and those projects that provide the greatest environmental benefits based on the state investment shall receive highest priority for funding. Environmental benefits shall include, but not be limited to, planting appropriate drought resistant native and other plants, reduction in consumptive water use, and increased availability of water for environmental benefits.
- (3) The department shall not reject or reduce eligibility to residents residing in service areas which have previously offered turf removal rebate programs as long as the resident was not a participant in the program.
- (4) The department shall cooperate with eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 and the California Public Utilities Commission to develop an on-bill repayment mechanism to pay for the consumer's share of the landscape conversion project.

# (b) Leak detection.

- (1) Competitive grants on a matching basis to public water systems to reduce leaks in their water distribution systems, eliminate leaks in the water systems of their customers if the water system operator determines that customer leak detection and elimination is a cost-effective way to improve the water system operator's water supply and provides a public benefit, and install instrumentation to detect leaks at residential, institutional, and commercial properties. The department shall make awards on the basis of cost-effectiveness with respect to water supply. Water system operators receiving grants pursuant to this subdivision shall give highest priority to leak detection and water waste elimination programs in disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas.
- (2) No grant award shall exceed fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the project. Cost sharing may be reduced or eliminated for a grant award that primarily benefits residential property owners in a disadvantaged community or an economically distressed area.
- (c) Toilet replacement. Competitive grants on a matching basis to public water systems or eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 to replace toilets using more than three gallons per flush with new toilets that conserve water and flush 1.28 gallons per flush or less. The department shall make awards on the basis of cost-effectiveness with respect to water supply. Entities receiving grants pursuant to this subdivision shall give highest priority to toilet replacement programs in disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas.

- (d) Water meters. Installation of water meters in disadvantaged communities that are not metered.
- (e) Energy saving water conservation. Competitive grants on a matching basis to public water systems to undertake water conservation projects that promote saving energy. These projects shall document the greenhouse gas emission reductions coming from water conservation programs. The department shall make awards on the basis of cost-effectiveness with respect to water supply as well as energy savings. Highest priority shall be given to programs in disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas.
- (f) In determining how to allocate the funds appropriated pursuant to this section, the department shall determine which technologies are most cost-effective, produce the greatest environmental benefits, and provide the most benefit to disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas.
- (g) Any entity receiving a grant pursuant to this section may use grant funds to establish a revolving fund from which the entity may make loans to implement water conservation programs. The interest rate shall be established by the entity, and the entity may charge a reasonable administration fee to be paid along with the interest on the loan over the lifetime of the loan. Payments made on loans made pursuant to this program shall be returned to the revolving fund to be used for additional loans to implement water conservation programs. Loans made pursuant to this section may be for up to 15 years, or for the useful life of the water conservation project, whichever is shorter.
- **86031.** The sum of fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the California Energy Commission for the Water Energy Technology Program to accelerate the deployment of innovative water and energy saving technologies and help continue to make water conservation a California way of life.
- **86032.** (a) The purpose of this section is to help make it possible to improve flows in tributaries to the Delta, and to expedite the transfer of conserved agricultural water while minimizing impacts on water rights holders.
- (b) The sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the department for matching grants to local agencies to aid in the construction and implementation of agricultural water conservation projects, and for grants in accordance with Section 79158.
- (c) For the purposes of approving a grant under this section, the department shall determine if there will be a net savings of water as a result of each proposed project and if the project is cost-effective and technically sound.
- (d) A project under this section shall not receive more than five million dollars (\$5,000,000) in grant proceeds from the department.
- (e) The department shall give preference to the most cost-effective and technically sound projects.
- (f) Priority shall be given to grants that result in water savings which are used to improve the quality of fish and wildlife through increased flows in tributaries to the Delta. Grants improving internal water district efficiency for other uses and transfers are also eligible for funding.
- (g) No project may cause adverse impacts to fish or wildlife without mitigating those impacts below a level of significance. The cost of mitigation may be included in grant funds.

#### CHAPTER 5.4. Flood Management for Improved Water Supply.

- **86040**. (a) The sum of two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the Central Valley Flood Protection Board for:
- (1) Enlargement and environmental enhancement of existing floodways and bypasses within the jurisdiction of the Central Valley Flood Protection Board, including providing recreation opportunities.
- (2) Improvement of flood control facilities and environmental enhancement within the jurisdiction of the Central Valley Flood Protection Board.
- (b) To be eligible for funding under this section, a project shall provide reduced flood risk, reduced liability, or reduced maintenance responsibility for state agencies or local flood control districts or both.
- (c) The Central Valley Flood Protection Board shall give preference to:
- (1) Those projects that primarily benefit disadvantaged communities or economically distressed areas.
- (2) Multi-benefit projects designed to reduce flood risk and enhance fish and wildlife habitat by allowing rivers and floodplains to function more naturally. These projects create additional public benefits such as protecting farms and ranches, improving water quality, increasing groundwater recharge, and providing public recreation opportunities.
- (3) Those projects that include matching funds, including but not limited to matching funds from other state agencies. Matching fund requirements may be reduced or eliminated to the extent the project directly benefits disadvantaged communities or economically distressed areas.
- (d) The Central Valley Flood Protection Board may make grants to eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 to implement this section.
- (e) The Central Valley Flood Protection Board may use up to one million (\$1,000,000) of these funds to develop a programmatic permit for authorization of habitat restoration and related multi-benefit floodplain restoration projects whose primary purpose is restoration and that meet the criteria described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section.
- (f) Of the amount appropriated in paragraph (a), fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be awarded for matching grants to public agencies to construct flood control improvements to existing dams on rivers in the Sacramento Valley that provide flood protection to urbanized areas. If these funds are not awarded for this purpose by January 1, 2032, they may be used for the other purposes of this section.
- **86041.** (a) The sum of one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the department for grants to local agencies on a fifty percent (50%) matching basis to repair or reoperate reservoirs that provide flood control either as a principal purpose or as an indirect effect of their operation. Grantees must demonstrate that the proposed repair or reoperation will increase the amount of water stored in those reservoirs that could be put to beneficial use. No funds appropriated under this section shall be used to raise the height of any dam. Spillway modification projects that do not raise the

crest height of the dam are eligible for grant funds.

- (b) (1) To be eligible for funding under this section, a project must provide substantial increases in recreational opportunities, such as trails along river channels, and significant net improvements to fish and wildlife habitat in and adjacent to the river channel downstream of the reservoir, and to the extent compatible with safe reservoir operation, within the reservoir. At least ten percent (10%) of project costs shall be allocated to these recreational and habitat purposes. The funds to carry out these purposes shall be allocated by the department directly to a state conservancy if there is a conservancy with jurisdiction over the area of the project. If there is no conservancy, the Natural Resources Agency's California River Parkways Program shall contract with an eligible entity as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 to carry out these purposes. The agency operating the reservoir being repaired or reoperated shall approve the recreational and habitat elements of the project and shall not charge any fees for review, plan check, permits, inspections, or any other related costs associated with the project, and shall provide permanent operation and maintenance of the entire project, including the habitat and recreational elements. Projects may include grants to eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 to implement this paragraph.
- (2) All costs associated with the requirements of this subdivision may be paid for with funds provided to local agencies by this section, and do not have to be matched by the agency.
- (c) Grants made pursuant to this section may be for the purpose of seismic retrofit.
- (d) No grants made pursuant to this section shall be for reservoir maintenance or sediment removal from the reservoir or upstream of the reservoir, except as necessary to complete projects authorized under paragraphs (a), (b), and (c).
- (e) Applicants shall certify that projects paid for by funds provided by this section will be permanently operated and maintained.
- (f) First priority shall be given to projects that benefit disadvantaged communities.
- (g) Projects to assist in the reoperation of eligible reservoirs shall increase water supply for beneficial uses through the purchase and installation of water measuring equipment, acquisition of information systems, and the use of technologies and data to improve reservoir management.
- (h) (1) A local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization that receives funding under this chapter to create recreational facilities or wildlife habitat may use up to twenty percent (20%) of those funds to establish a trust fund that is exclusively used to help pay for the maintenance and monitoring of those recreational facilities or wildlife habitat.
- (2) A local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization that acquires an interest in land, recreation facilities or wildlife habitat with money from this chapter and transfers the interest in land, recreational facilities or wildlife habitat to another public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization shall also transfer the ownership of the trust fund that was established to maintain that interest in the land, recreational facilities or wildlife habitat.
  - (3) This subdivision does not apply to state agencies.
  - (4) If the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization does not establish a trust fund

pursuant to this subdivision, the agency, tribe or organization shall certify to the state agency making the grant that it can maintain the land, recreational facilities or wildlife habitat to be acquired or developed from funds otherwise available to the agency, tribe or organization.

- (5) If the interest in land, recreational facilities or wildlife habitat is condemned or if the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization determines that the interest in land, recreational facilities or wildlife habitat is unable to fulfill the purposes for which money from this chapter was expended, the trust fund and any unexpended interest are appropriated to the agency that provided the money. The funds returned to the agency may be utilized only for projects pursuant to this section.
- (i) The department shall give preference to those projects that coordinate reservoir reoperation with the provision of water for groundwater recharge through conjunctive use or other integrated surface/groundwater projects.
- **86042.** The sum of two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority to provide matching grants for flood management, wetlands restoration, and other projects consistent with Article 2 (commencing with Section 66704.5) of Chapter 5 of Title 7.25 of the Government Code. For purposes of this section, matching funds may include funds provided by local governments, regional governments, the federal government, private parties, or other funds raised by the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority. No grant shall exceed fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the project.
- **86043**. (a)(1) A local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization that receives funding under this chapter to acquire an interest in land may use up to twenty percent (20%) of those funds to establish a trust fund that is exclusively used to help pay for the maintenance and monitoring of that interest in land.
- (2) A local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization that acquires an interest in land with money from this chapter and transfers the interest in land to another public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization shall also transfer the ownership of the trust fund that was established to maintain that interest inland.
  - (3) This subdivision does not apply to state agencies.
- (b) If the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization does not establish a trust fund pursuant to subdivision (a), the agency, tribe or organization shall certify to the state agency making the grant that it can maintain the land to be acquired from funds otherwise available to the agency, tribe or organization.
- (c) If the interest in land is condemned or if the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization determines that the interest in land is unable to fulfill the purposes for which money from this chapter was expended, the trust fund and any unexpended interest are appropriated to the agency that provided the money. The funds returned to the agency may be utilized only for projects pursuant to this chapter.

#### **CHAPTER 5.5. Funding for Water Measurement and Information.**

**86048**. The sum of sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund for water measurement and information systems, as follows:

(a) The sum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) is appropriated to the department for development of

methods and installation of water measuring equipment to improve estimates of water balance, water budgets, diversions and water use to support water allocations, drought management, groundwater management, water quality management and water rights.

- (b) The sum of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) is appropriated to the State board for development of information systems, technologies, and data that improve the State board's ability to manage water rights. These systems will include, but not be limited to, digitizing and making available the 10 million pages of paper records on water rights within the State board and in other repositories and the creation of a digital repository for water diversion and use data.
- (c) The sum of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) is appropriated to the Water Data Administration Fund established pursuant to Section 12420, to be used by the department in consultation with the State board for the purpose of making California water information interoperable, consistent with Part 4.9 of Division 6 of the Water Code.
- (d) The sum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) is appropriated as follows:
- (1) Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is appropriated to the University of California for its multicampus Water Security and Sustainability Research Initiative to develop core elements of a water resources information system, in cooperation with the department and the State board.
- (2) Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is appropriated to the California Water Institute at California State University, Fresno to undertake research leading to improvement and conservation of water supplies and improved water quality in California.
- (3) Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is appropriated to the Irrigation Training and Research Center at California Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo to undertake research leading to improvement and conservation of water supplies and improved water quality in California.
- (4) Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is appropriated to the Office of Water Programs at California State University, Sacramento to undertake research leading to improvement and conservation of water supplies and improved water quality in California.
- (5) The institutions of higher education receiving funds pursuant to this paragraph shall work together to assure that their efforts do not conflict or overlap, but are complementary to each other.

# CHAPTER 5.6. Capture and Use of Urban Runoff and Stormwater.

**86050.** (a) The sum of four hundred million dollars (\$400,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the State board for projects to capture and use urban dry weather runoff and stormwater runoff. All grants made pursuant to this section by the State board for construction projects must be to counties or cities, a city and county, or a joint powers authority containing a city, county, or city and county with responsibility for flood control or management. The State board may spend up to fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) for grants to eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 to develop Stormwater Resource Plans. Funds available pursuant to this section shall be allocated to projects serving and providing a direct benefit to disadvantaged and severely disadvantaged communities. The State board may use these funds to make grants for technical assistance and outreach to disadvantaged communities.

- (b) The sum of thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the California Tahoe Conservancy for projects to capture and use dry weather runoff and stormwater runoff in the Lake Tahoe Basin pursuant to Title 7.42 (commencing with Section 66905) of the Government Code.
- (c) The sum of forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for projects to capture and use dry weather runoff and stormwater runoff pursuant to Division 23 (commencing with Section 33000) of the Public Resources Code in the area defined in paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 86080.
- (d) The sum of forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy for projects to capture and use dry weather runoff and stormwater runoff pursuant to Division 22.8 (commencing with Section 32600) of the Public Resources Code.
- (e) The sum of forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the State Coastal Conservancy for projects to capture and use dry weather runoff and stormwater runoff pursuant to Division 21 (commencing with Section 31000) of the Public Resources.
- (f) Funds spent pursuant to this section shall be used for competitive grants for projects that develop, implement, or improve multi-benefit projects identified and prioritized in Stormwater Resource Plans consistent with Part 2.3 (commencing with Section 10560) of Division 6, as that part may be amended, and shall include as many as possible of the following benefits: capture and treatment of stormwater or dry weather runoff for beneficial uses; removal of pollutants from the captured and treated runoff; creation or restoration of habitat or parkland to capture and treat stormwater or dry weather runoff for beneficial uses by using best management practices that improve environmental quality; removal of pollutants from the captured and treated runoff; creation or restoration of habitat or parkland; storage, infiltration or use of the captured and treated runoff to augment local water supplies; creation or restoration of native habitat, trails, park land or other natural open space; reduction of urban heat islands; and provision of other public recreational opportunities. Projects that include wetlands and native habitat or project elements designed to mimic or restore natural watershed functions shall be given the highest priority.
- (g) Of the amount appropriated pursuant to subdivision (a), at least forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) shall be available for projects that reduce the flow of trash and other pollutants: (1) into a National Estuarine Research Reserve, onto beaches, or into near-shore coastal waters in San Diego County, or (2) into San Diego Bay. Priority shall be given to projects that reduce the flow of trash or other pollutants into one or more units of the State Parks System.
- **86051.** (a) Each state agency receiving funds pursuant to this chapter shall require at least a fifty percent (50%) cost share by recipients of grant funds, but may eliminate or reduce the matching requirements for that portion of projects primarily benefiting disadvantaged communities or economically distressed areas.
- (b) Projects funded by this section must comply with water quality policies or regulations adopted by the State board or the regional water quality control board with jurisdiction over the project.
- (c) Project costs may include development of decision support tools, data acquisition, and geographic information system data analysis to identify and evaluate the benefits and costs of potential stormwater capture and reuse projects.

- (d) Preference shall be granted to projects that divert stormwater or dry weather runoff from storm drains or channels and put it to beneficial use.
- (e) Agencies receiving funds pursuant to this section shall give high priority to projects benefitting disadvantaged communities. Each agency receiving funds pursuant to this chapter shall allocate at least thirty-five percent (35%) of the funds they receive for projects that benefit disadvantaged communities.
- (f) In implementing this chapter, each agency receiving funds pursuant to this chapter shall consult with the Natural Resources Agency regarding the integration and prioritization of the habitat, park land, open space, recreational and public use components of stormwater and dry weather runoff capture and reuse projects, and shall seek assistance from the Natural Resources Agency in the review and scoring of proposed projects.
- (g) Projects may prevent stormwater and dry weather runoff from entering storm drains or channels.
- **86052.** Entities defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 are eligible to receive funds under subdivisions (b), (c), (d) and (e) of Section 86050.
- **86053.** Funds allocated pursuant to this chapter may be granted to an eligible applicant for single or multiple small-scale projects that are consistent with Chapter 6.5 of Division 2 of the Fish and Game Code, regardless of whether that Chapter is still in effect.

#### Chapter 5.7. Integrated Regional Water Management.

**86054.** The sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is allocated to the department to provide direct funding support to approved Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) regional water management groups for the purpose of maintaining ongoing IRWM planning and implementation efforts, thereby sustaining the significant investment made through IRWM for regional collaboration on water management.

#### CHAPTER 6. Watershed, Land, and Fisheries Improvements.

# CHAPTER 6.1. Watershed Improvement for Water Supply and Water Quality Enhancement.

**86080.** The sum of two billion three hundred fifty-five million dollars (\$2,355,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to protect, restore and improve the health of watershed lands, including forest lands (including oaks, redwoods and sequoias), meadows, wetlands, chaparral, riparian habitat and other watershed lands, including lands owned by the United States, in order to protect and improve water supply and water quality, improve forest health, reduce fire danger consistent with the best available science, mitigate the effects of wildfires on water quality and supply, increase flood protection, remediate aquifers, or to protect or restore riparian or aquatic resources. No grants made pursuant to this section shall be for reservoir maintenance or sediment removal from a reservoir or upstream of a reservoir, except as necessary for field research required pursuant to subdivision (a). Funds shall be allocated as follows:

(a) Two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy for the protection, restoration and improvement of Sierra Nevada watersheds, pursuant to Division 23.3 (commencing with Section 33300) of the Public Resources Code and including the purposes outlined in Section 33320 of the Public Resources Code. Funds shall also be spent for the implementation and to further the goals and

purposes of the Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program. Projects eligible for funding under the Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program may include research and monitoring to measure the impact of forest restoration work on water supply, climate and other benefits, including long-term air quality, water quality and quantity, greenhouse gas emissions, carbon storage, habitat, recreational uses, and community vitality. Projects funded under the Sierra Nevada watershed Improvement Program shall be based on the best available science regarding forest restoration and must be undertaken to improve water supply and quality, protect and restore ecological values and to promote forest conditions that are more resilient to wildfire, climate change, and other disturbances. The Sierra Nevada Conservancy may make grants to federal agencies if it determines such grants are the most efficient way to implement the intent of this division on federally managed lands.

- (b) Sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000) to the California Tahoe Conservancy for the protection and restoration of watersheds of the Lake Tahoe Basin, pursuant to Title 7.42 (commencing with Section 66905) of the Government Code. Funds shall be spent for implementation and to further the goals and purposes of the Lake Tahoe Environmental Improvement Program, pursuant to Article 6 of Chapter 1.692 of Division 5 (commencing with Section 5096.351) of the Public Resources Code.
- (c) One hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) to the San Francisco Bay Area Conservancy Program of the Coastal Conservancy for the protection and restoration of watersheds of the San Francisco Bay Area, pursuant to Chapter 4.5 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code (commencing with Section 31160).
- (d) One hundred eighty million dollars (\$180,000,000) for the protection and restoration of watersheds of Los Angeles, Ventura, and Orange Counties as follows:
- (1) Sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000) to the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy for the protection and restoration of the watersheds of the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers pursuant to Division 22.8 (commencing with Section 32600) of the Public Resources Code.
- (2) Sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000) to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, for the protection and restoration of the watersheds of Santa Monica Bay, the Upper Los Angeles River and the Upper Santa Clara River pursuant to Division 23 (commencing with Section 33000) of the Public Resources Code, and the watersheds defined in subdivision (c) of Section 79570.
- (3) Thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) to the Santa Ana River Conservancy Program of the Coastal Conservancy for the protection and restoration of watersheds of the Santa Ana River pursuant to Chapter 4.6 of Division 21 of the Public Resources Code (commencing with Section 31170).
- (4) Thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) to the Baldwin Hills Conservancy for the protection and restoration of the Baldwin Hills and Ballona Creek watersheds, and for projects to capture dry weather runoff and stormwater runoff pursuant to Division 22.7 (commencing with Section 32550) of the Public Resources Code.
- (e) Forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) to the San Diego River Conservancy for the protection and restoration of watersheds in San Diego County pursuant to Division of 22.9 (commencing with Section 32630) of the Public Resources Code.
- (f) One hundred thirty-five million dollars (\$135,000,000) to the State Coastal Conservancy for the protection and restoration of coastal watersheds pursuant to Division 21 (commencing with Section

31000) of the Public Resources Code.

- (g) One hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) for the protection and restoration of the watersheds of the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers as follows:
- (1) One hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy for protection and restoration of the Delta pursuant to Division 22.3 (commencing with Section 32300) of the Public Resources Code. Highest priority shall be given to projects that benefit the restoration of native species and that reduce the negative impacts of excessive salinity intrusion. Highest priority shall also be given to projects that restore habitat important to species listed pursuant to the federal Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. Chapter 35) and the California State Endangered Species Act (Fish and Game Code Sections 2050-2100). The funds may also be used for improvement of public recreational facilities in the Delta, and for grants to local agencies and nonprofit organizations to increase community access to parks and recreational opportunities for underserved urban communities in the Delta. The Conservancy may implement programs designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the Delta.
- (2) Twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) to the San Joaquin River Conservancy for the implementation of the San Joaquin River Parkway pursuant to Division 22.5 (commencing with Section 32500) of the Public Resources Code.
- (3) Thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) to the Lower American River Conservancy Fund created by Section 5845.9 of the Public Resources Code. The Wildlife Conservation Board shall use these funds to implement Chapter 10.5 of Division 5 of the Public Resources Code (commencing with Section 5845).
- (h) One hundred and seventy million dollars (\$170,000,000) for river parkways, as follows:
- (1) Seventy million dollars (\$70,000,000) to the California Natural Resources Agency for projects pursuant the California River Parkways Act of 2004, Chapter 3.8 (commencing with Section 5750) of Division 5 of the Public Resources Code. The Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency shall allocate at least sixty-five percent (65%) of these funds for projects that benefit disadvantaged communities. With the remaining funds, the Secretary shall seek to benefit poorer communities that do not qualify as disadvantaged communities.
- (2) Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) to the State Coastal Conservancy for grants to nonprofit organizations and local public agencies to implement river parkway projects for habitat restoration, public recreation, and water quality improvement along the Guadalupe River corridor.
- (3) Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) to the State Coastal Conservancy for grants to nonprofit organizations and local public agencies to implement river parkway projects for habitat restoration, public recreation, and water quality improvement along the Russian River corridor.
- (4) Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) to the State Coastal Conservancy for grants to nonprofit organizations and local public agencies to implement river parkway projects for habitat restoration, public recreation, and water quality improvement along the Santa Clara River corridor.
- (5) Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) to the State Coastal Conservancy for grants to nonprofit organizations and local public agencies to implement river parkway projects for habitat restoration, public recreation, and water quality improvement along the Tijuana River corridor.

- (6) Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) to the State Coastal Conservancy for grants to nonprofit organizations and local public agencies to implement river parkway projects for habitat restoration, public recreation, and water quality improvement along the Carmel River corridor.
- (7) Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) to the State Coastal Conservancy for grants to nonprofit organizations and local public agencies to implement river parkway projects for habitat restoration, public recreation, and water quality improvement along the Napa River corridor.
- (8) Fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) to the State Coastal Conservancy for river parkway projects within the San Diego Bay watershed.
- (9) Fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) to the State Coastal Conservancy for river parkway projects along the Santa Margarita River in San Diego County.
- (10) Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) to the California Tahoe Conservancy to implement habitat restoration, public recreation, and water quality improvements along the Upper Truckee River corridor.
- (i) One hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) shall be available for projects that restore, protect and preserve the Los Angeles River and its tributaries, as follows:
- (1) Seventy-five million dollars (\$75,000,000) to the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy pursuant to Division 22.8 (commencing with Section 32600) of the Public Resources Code, and Section 79508 of the Water Code.
- (2) Seventy-five million dollars (\$75,000,000) to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy pursuant to Division 23 (commencing with Section 33000) of the Public Resources Code, and Section 79508 of the Water Code.
- (j) Three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) to the Wildlife Conservation Board for the following:
- (1) For the protection and restoration of the watersheds of the Sacramento, Smith, Eel, and Klamath Rivers and other rivers of Marin, Sonoma, Mendocino, Humboldt and Del Norte Counties, and the Carrizo Plain pursuant to Chapter 4 of Division 2 (commencing with Section 1300) of the Fish and Game Code.
- (2) For protection and restoration of oak woodlands and rangelands pursuant to Division 10.4 (commencing with Section 10330) of the Public Resources Code and Article 3.5 (commencing with Section 1360) of Chapter 4 of Division 2 of the Fish and GameCode.
- (3) For acquisition and restoration of riparian habitat, migratory bird habitat, anadromous fisheries, wetland habitat and other watershed lands pursuant to Chapter 4 of Division 2 (commencing with Section 1300) of the Fish and Game Code.
- (4) Grants may include funding to help fulfill state commitments to implement Natural Community Conservation Plans adopted pursuant to Chapter 10 of Division 3 (commencing with Section 2800) of the Fish and Game Code, and to large scale regional Habitat Conservation Plans adopted pursuant to the federal Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

- (5) Of the amount made available pursuant to this subdivision, the sum of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) shall be available to assist farmers in integrating agricultural activities with watershed restoration and wildlife protection. Priority shall be given to projects that include partnerships with resource conservation districts.
- (6) Of the amount made available pursuant to this subdivision, the sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) is appropriated to the Oak Woodlands Conservation Fund established by Section 1363 of the Fish and Game Code, and may be expended pursuant to Article 3.5 of Chapter 4 of Division 2 of the Fish and Game Code.
- (7) Of the amount made available pursuant to this subdivision, the sum of thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) shall be available for grazing land protection pursuant to the California Rangeland, Grazing Land and Grassland Protection Act, commencing with Section 10330 of Division 10.4 of the Public Resources Code.
- (8) Of the amount made available pursuant to this subdivision, not less than sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000) shall be available for projects that advance the conservation objectives of natural community conservation plans adopted pursuant to the Natural Community Conservation Planning Act, Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 2800) of Division 3 of the Fish and Game Code. First priority shall be given to plans that include protection of aquatic ecosystems. Funding pursuant to this paragraph shall not be used to offset mitigation obligations otherwise required.
- (k) Twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) to the Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy for the protection and restoration of the Coachella Valley watershed pursuant to Division 23.5 (commencing with Section 33500) of the Public Resources Code.
- (I) One hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) to the Department of Parks and Recreation for protection and restoration of watershed lands within and affecting units of the State Parks System, with high priority to redwood and other forest land important to protecting river and stream flows and quality. In addition to other purposes authorized pursuant to this section, the Department of Parks and Recreation may allocate funds to improve and increase the efficiency and effectiveness of State Park water supply and wastewater treatment systems.
- (m) Sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000) to the Department of Conservation for watershed restoration and conservation projects on agricultural lands, rangelands, managed wetlands, and forested lands.
- (1) No less than thirteen million dollars (\$13,000,000) shall be used for grants pursuant to Section 9084 of the Public Resources Code.
- (2) No less than thirty-one million dollars (\$31,000,000) shall be used for the purposes of Division 10.2 (commencing with Section 10200) of the Public Resources Code.
  - (3) Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) shall be used for the Watershed Coordinator Grant Program.
- (n) One hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) to the California Ocean Protection Council for projects that: (1) reduce the amount of pollutants that flow to beaches, bays, coastal estuaries, and near-shore ecosystems; and (2) protect coastal and near-shore ocean resources from the impacts of rising sea levels, storm surges, ocean acidification and related hazards, including, but not limited to, increasing the resiliency of near-shore ocean habitats. Projects may include, but are not limited to, projects that protect

or restore beaches, coastal estuaries and watersheds, bays, and near-shore ecosystems including marine protected areas. Of this amount, the Council shall use at least five million dollars (\$5,000,000) for the Local Coastal Program sea level rise grant program that supports Local Coastal Program updates to address sea level rise, including sea-level rise modeling, vulnerability assessments, and adaptation planning and policy development.

- (o) The sum of two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the Natural Resources Agency, for water-related projects that implement the Natural Resources Agency's Salton Sea Management Program consistent with provisions of Article 2 (commencing with Section 2940) of Chapter 13 of Division 3 of the Fish and Game Code, and in fulfillment of the obligations of the State of California to comply with the terms of Chapters 611, 612, 613, and 614 of the Statutes of 2003. These statutes were enacted to facilitate the execution and implementation of the Quantification Settlement Agreement, including restoration of the Salton Sea. The Natural Resources Agency may expend these funds on projects that provide multiple benefits of ecosystem restoration, air quality improvement, and economic recovery for severely disadvantaged communities.
- (1) Of the amount appropriated pursuant to this paragraph, not less than twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) shall be available for purposes consistent with the New River Water Quality, Public Health, and River Parkway Development Program, as described in Section 71103.6 of the Public Resources Code.
- (2) Of the amount allocated pursuant to this section, the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) shall be available for a Salton Sea Integrated Watershed Plan providing technical assistance for, outreach to, and engagement with severely disadvantaged communities.
- (p) Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) to the Delta Stewardship Council for the Delta Science Program as described in Section 85280.
- (q) Fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) to the department for Urban Streams Restoration Program competitive grants pursuant to Section 7048. The department shall allocate at least sixty-five (65%) of these funds for projects that benefit disadvantaged communities. With the remaining funds, the department shall seek to benefit poorer communities that do not qualify as disadvantaged communities.
- (r) Twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for grants for urban forestry projects that manage, capture or conserve stormwater, recharge local groundwater supplies or improve water supplies or water quality through infiltration, sediment management and erosion control pursuant to the California Urban Forestry Act, Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 4799.06) of Part 2.5 of Division 4 of the Public Resources Code.
- (s) Fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) to the Delta Protection Commission for expenditures, grants, or loans for projects that improve water quality by improving wastewater treatment in Delta legacy communities (as described in section 32301(f) of the Public Resources Code) and at recreational facilities in the Delta. Funds may be expended on wastewater improvement projects serving Delta legacy communities, or Delta legacy community households with failing septic systems which threaten the quality of groundwater or surface water supplies used for urban, agricultural or fisheries purposes. Funds may also be allocated to improve and increase the efficiency and effectiveness of Delta recreational facility wastewater treatment systems. Priority shall be given to projects that address public health hazards. Projects may identify, plan, design, and implement regional mechanisms to consolidate wastewater systems or provide affordable treatment technologies.

- (t) Twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) to the Department of Parks and Recreation for projects that provide access to rivers for non-motorized recreation, and for grants to eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 for this purpose. First priority shall be given to projects that include matching funds, and to projects that serve disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas, whether or not they include cost sharing.
- (u) (1) Twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) to the Wildlife Conservation Board for the construction of a Pacific Flyway Center in the vicinity of the Suisun Marsh, to be operated by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. The Department of Fish and Wildlife may contract with a nonprofit organization to operate the Center. The Center shall be used to educate the public about the importance of California's wetlands, agricultural lands (including rice) and riparian areas in benefitting waterfowl, shorebirds, native plants and animals, the value of wetlands in absorbing gases that cause climate change, and similar educational purposes. The operator of the Center shall make special efforts to bring people, and especially students, from disadvantaged communities to the Center for educational purposes. If the Wildlife Conservation Board determines that all or part of these funds is not needed to complete this project, it may allocate the unneeded part of the funds to the purposes of paragraph (j) of this section.
- (2) (A) Of the amount appropriated by paragraph (1), the Wildlife Conservation Board may make a grant of up to four million dollars (\$4,000,000) to a nonprofit organization whose principal purpose is wildlife conservation to establish a trust fund, the interest from which shall be used exclusively to operate the Pacific Flyway Center and bring people from disadvantaged communities to the Center.
- (B) With the approval of the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the nonprofit organization can transfer the operation of the Pacific Flyway Center to another nonprofit organization. If such a transfer takes place, the trust fund shall be transferred to the new nonprofit organization.
- (3) If the funds allocated by this section are not all used to construct the Pacific Flyway Center by January 1, 2028, any remaining funds are appropriated to the Wildlife Conservation Board for the purposes of Section 86123.
- (v) Eighty million dollars (\$80,000,000) to the Coastal Conservancy for the removal of Matilija Dam, and for associated levee and flood control improvements, water supply improvements, and related projects on Matilija Creek and the Ventura River, and for river parkway projects along the Ventura River. The Conservancy may grant all or part of these funds to Ventura County. Highest priority for the river parkway projects shall be those which benefit disadvantaged communities. If the Coastal Conservancy determines that all or part of these funds is not needed to complete this project, it may allocate the unneeded part of the funds to the purposes of paragraph (f) of this section.
- (w) The sum of twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) to the University of California for the Natural Reserve System for matching grants for land acquisition and for the construction and development of facilities that will be used for research and training to improve the management of aquatic ecosystems, natural lands and the preservation or conservation of California's wildlife resources. Priority shall be given to projects that advance research on the impacts of climate change, reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, and adaptation of natural systems to the impacts of climate change.
- (x) (1) The sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy for the purpose of awarding grants within the jurisdiction of the Conservancy to eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 for the purpose of reducing the threat of wildfires which would negatively impact watershed health. Projects may be for the purpose of hazardous fuel

reduction, postfire watershed rehabilitation, forest management practices that promote forest resilience to severe wildfire, climate change, and other disturbances, and development of local plans to reduce the risk of wildfires that could adversely affect watershed health. Preference shall be given to grants which include matching funds, but this preference may be reduced or eliminated for grants which benefit disadvantaged communities or economically distressed areas.

- (2) The sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for the purpose of awarding grants in areas outside the jurisdiction of the Sierra Nevada Conservancy to eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 for the purpose of reducing the threat of wildfires which would negatively impact watershed health. Projects may be for the purpose of hazardous fuel reduction, postfire watershed rehabilitation and restoration, forest management practices that promote forest resilience to severe wildfire, climate change, and other disturbances, and development of local plans to reduce the risk of wildfires that could adversely affect watershed health. Preference shall be given to grants which include matching funds, but this preference may be reduced or eliminated for grants which benefit disadvantaged communities or economically distressed areas.
- **86083**. Consistent with the other requirements of this chapter, funds spent pursuant to this chapter may be used for grants to eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166. Funds awarded to eligible entities may be used for projects on land owned by a state or federal agency. With the exception of funds allocated to grant programs, funds may also be used directly by the state agency receiving the funds to implement watershed improvement projects consistent with this chapter. In making grants pursuant to this chapter, agencies shall give high priority to applications that include cost sharing, and to grants that benefit disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas whether or not they include cost sharing.
- **86084.** (a) For a project to be eligible for funding pursuant to this chapter, the project shall have watershed protection and restoration, water supply or water quality benefits, or ecosystem benefits relating to rivers, streams, forests, meadows, wetlands or other water-related resources.
- (b) (1) Funds appropriated pursuant to this chapter may be used for protection and restoration of forests, meadows, wetlands, riparian habitat, coastal resources, and near-shore ocean habitat; to acquire land and easements to protect these resources and avoid development that may reduce watershed health, and to take other measures that protect or improve the quality or quantity of water supplies downstream from projects funded in whole or in part by this chapter. Forest restoration projects, including but not limited to hazardous fuel reduction, post-fire watershed rehabilitation, and forest management and tree planting using appropriate native plants shall be based on the best available science regarding forest restoration and must be undertaken to protect and restore ecological values and to promote forest conditions that are more resilient to wildfire, climate change, and other disturbances.
- (2) Fuel hazard reduction activities on United States Forest Service lands in the Sierra Nevada and similar forest types shall be generally consistent with objectives of the Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program and the best available science, including United States Forest Service General Technical Report 220 as it may be updated.
- **86085**. Any entity receiving funds pursuant to this chapter that expends funds on private lands shall secure an agreement or interest in the private lands to assure the purpose of the expenditure is maintained for such time as is commensurate with the best practices for the type of project.

- **86086**. (a)(1) A local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization that receives funding for a project pursuant to this chapter may use up to twenty percent (20%) of those funds to establish a trust fund that is exclusively used to help pay for the maintenance and monitoring of that project.
- (2) A local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization that acquires an interest in a project with money from this chapter and transfers the interest in the project to another public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization shall also transfer the ownership of the trust fund that was established to maintain that interest in the project.
  - (3) This subdivision does not apply to state agencies.
- (b) If the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization does not establish a trust fund pursuant to subdivision (a), the agency, tribe or organization shall certify to the state agency making the grant that it can maintain the project to be undertaken using funds otherwise available to the agency, tribe or organization.
- (c) The interest from the trust fund shall be used only to monitor the implementation of a project, and maintain a project and its water supply and water quality benefits implemented pursuant to this chapter.
- (d) If an interest in a project is condemned or if the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization determines that the interest in the project is unable to fulfill the purposes for which money from this chapter was expended, the trust fund and any unexpended interest are appropriated and shall be returned to the agency that provided the money. The funds returned to the agency may be utilized only for projects pursuant to this chapter.
- **86087**. Funds allocated pursuant to this chapter may be granted to an eligible applicant for single or multiple small-scale projects that are consistent with Chapter 6.5 of Division 2 of the Fish and Game Code, regardless of whether that Chapter is still in effect.
- **86088**. By April 30, 2019, the Natural Resources Agency shall recommend provisions for grant approval guidelines to each state agency that receives an appropriation pursuant to this chapter in order to ensure appropriate consistency of the guidelines. Each agency shall consider the recommendations of the Natural Resources Agency as they adopt their ownguidelines.
- **86089**. Agencies receiving funds pursuant to this chapter shall give high priority to projects that benefit the native wildlife, birds and fishes of California.

# **CHAPTER 6.2. Land and Water Management for Water Supply Improvement.**

**86090.** The sum of one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the Wildlife Conservation Board for the purpose of awarding competitive grants to eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166 to improve the quality of public and private rangelands, wildlands, meadows, wetlands, riparian areas and aquatic areas for the purpose of increasing groundwater recharge and water supply from those lands, and for improving water quality consistent with protecting and restoring ecological values.

**86091**. Funds allocated pursuant to this chapter may be granted to an eligible applicant for single or multiple small-scale projects that are consistent with Chapter 6.5 of Division 2 of the Fish and Game Code,

regardless of whether that Chapter is still in effect.

**86094**. In making grants pursuant to this chapter, the Wildlife Conservation Board shall give highest priority to projects which:

- (a) Are most cost-effective in producing improved water supply or water quality, and which provide the greatest fish and wildlife benefits.
- (b) Include matching funds.
- (c) Benefit disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas.
- (d) Are for the purpose of invasive plant control and eradication, restoration of riparian habitat, meadows and wetlands, and other projects that improve the flow of water from the lands, and reduce the use of water by invasive plant species.

**86096.** For a project to be eligible for funding pursuant to this chapter, the project shall have water supply or water quality benefits or both. A project that targets the removal of invasive plants to increase water supply shall only be funded if the applicant guarantees that the land from which plants will be removed will be maintained.

- **86097.** (a)(1) A local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization that receives funding under this chapter may use up to twenty percent (20%) of those funds to establish a trust fund that is exclusively used to help pay for the maintenance and monitoring of the funded project.
- (2) A local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization that undertakes a project with money from this division and can no longer maintain the project shall transfer the ownership of the trust fund to another public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization that is willing and able to maintain that project.
  - (3) This subdivision does not apply to state agencies.
- (b) If the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization does not establish a trust fund pursuant to subdivision (a), the agency, tribe or organization shall certify to the state agency making the grant that it can maintain the project in an appropriate condition.
- (c) The interest from the trust fund established from the funds available pursuant to this section shall be used only to maintain a project and its water supply and water quality benefits implemented pursuant to this chapter.
- (d) If the interest in a project is condemned or if the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization determines that the interest in the project is unable to fulfill the purposes for which money from this chapter was expended, the trust fund and any unexpended interest are appropriated and shall be returned to the Wildlife Conservation Board. The funds returned may be utilized only for projects authorized by this chapter.

**86098.** In implementing this chapter, the Wildlife Conservation Board may provide incentives to landowners for conservation actions on private lands or use of voluntary habitat credit exchange mechanisms.

**86099.** At least ten percent (10%) of the funds available pursuant to this section shall be allocated for projects that provide a direct benefit to disadvantaged communities. These benefits may include range improvement, among other benefits. These projects may include technical assistance for, outreach to, and engagement with disadvantaged communities.

#### **CHAPTER 6.3. Conservation Corps.**

**86105.** The sum of forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the California Conservation Corps for projects to protect, restore, and improve the health of watershed lands, including forest lands, meadows, wetlands, chaparral, riparian habitat and other watershed lands. Projects may include, but are not limited to, regional and community fuel hazard reduction projects on public lands, invasive species removal, and stream, river, and riparian restoration projects. The California Conservation Corps shall allocate at least fifty percent (50%) of the funds pursuant to this section for grants to certified local conservation corps. Projects shall improve water quality, water supply reliability, or riparian or watershed health. Projects shall be undertaken in coordination with a nonprofit organization or public agency.

# **CHAPTER 6.4. Central Valley Fisheries Restoration.**

- **86106.** (a) The people of California find and declare that the protection, restoration and enhancement of native fish populations (including anadromous salmonids) of the Central Valley is necessary for the ecological and economic health of the State of California.
- (b) Fish need both suitable habitat and appropriately timed flows in rivers and their tributaries.
- (c) The State Water Resources Control Board shall take note of the funding provided by this chapter and the resulting fish habitat restoration as the Board determines flows necessary to restore Central Valley native fish populations and fisheries.
- (d) Many state and federal agencies, including the Department of Water Resources, Department of Fish and Wildlife, Delta Stewardship Council, Delta Conservancy, Wildlife Conservation Board, Central Valley Flood Protection Board, and federal Bureau of Reclamation, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Marine Fisheries Service have prepared policies and plans to restore Central Valley native fish and fisheries habitat, but these policies and plans are not fully funded.
- (e) Many state and federal laws require the restoration of Central Valley native fish populations and fisheries habitat, but funding has not been fully available to carry out the requirements of these laws.
- (f) The sum of four hundred million dollars (\$400,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the California Natural Resources Agency for the restoration of Central Valley populations of native fish and fisheries habitat.
- (1) (A) The Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency shall appoint a Central Valley Fisheries Advisory Committee made up of representatives from the Central Valley Salmon Habitat Partnership, appropriate local, state and federal fish and water management and other agencies, nonprofit organizations, commercial fishing organizations, universities, local agencies and Indian tribes with relevant scientific expertise including representation from the upper watersheds. The committee shall advise the Secretary on the annual expenditure of funds appropriated pursuant to this Chapter. The

committee may solicit projects, and direct the creation of projects pursuant to this chapter, subject to approval by the Secretary.

- (B) The committee shall work closely with representatives from each river basin in the Central Valley, including local government and water agencies, Indian tribes, and nonprofit organizations, to develop projects that are most suitable for the conditions in the basin, and which meet the other requirements of this section.
- (C) In proposing projects, the committee shall take into account the entire life cycle of the fish species to be benefitted, and shall consider the interaction of the effects of each project within a river basin with projects in other river basins. The committee shall also consider adverse impacts resulting from poor watershed health, including severe wildfire and extensive tree mortality.
- (2) Projects funded pursuant to this section shall increase self-sustaining populations of native fish, or contribute to an existing fish population becoming self-sustaining in the future, with a minimal requirement of expenditures to continue to operate the project. No funds may be expended on fish hatcheries.
- (3) The committee shall give high priority to projects that provide multiple benefits, such as improved flood management, improved water quality, improved water supply, enhanced groundwater sustainability, aquifer remediation and reduction of emission of greenhouse gases, while also improving conditions for native fish species and their habitats. The committee shall also give high priority to projects that can be integrated into an existing flow regime and provide multi-species benefits over a range of flow conditions. The committee shall also give high priority to projects that are consistent with recovery plan and resiliency strategies for native California fish species.
- (4) Expenditures shall be for capital outlay projects, such as conservation easements, water measurement needed to measure the effects of the project, projects that restore or enhance fisheries habitat such as floodplain expansion, reintroductions of fish into their historical habitat, improved fish passage opportunities, creation or enhancement of spawning and rearing habitat and other projects. Acquisition of land or easements as part of a fisheries enhancement project must be from willing sellers. Project costs shall include the costs of planning, environmental review, mitigation of the impacts of the project, and permitting. High priority shall be given to projects that provide adult and juvenile fish access to or fish passage through agricultural fields or floodplain habitats that will provide enhanced juvenile rearing and food production opportunities.
- (5) Of the funds authorized by this section, the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency may allocate up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) for one or more grants for capital outlay and related programmatic purposes to institutions of higher education for facilities that can be used to improve scientific and technical coordination, communication and training among those institutions, the department, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the State board and other state agencies to assure that developments in ecosystem and fisheries science and management are deployed and employed across higher education institutions and state government agencies.
- (g) Based on the recommendations of the committee, the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency may make grants to any state or local agency, Indian tribe, or nonprofit organization to carry out the purpose of this section. The Secretary shall give high priority to projects that include matching funds, projects with a local agency as the lead agency, and projects supporting proposed actions in the Sacramento Valley Salmon Resiliency Strategy (as published by the California Natural Resources Agency in June 2017, and as

it may be amended), the National Marine Fisheries Service California Central Valley Steelhead Recovery Plan and other similar strategies as they are adopted.

- (h) Of the amount appropriated pursuant to this section, not less than thirty-five million dollars (\$35,000,000) shall be available for projects to restore rivers and streams in support of fisheries and wildlife, including, but not limited to, reconnection of rivers with their floodplains, riparian and side-channel habitat restoration pursuant to the California Riparian Habitat Conservation Program, Chapter 4.1 (commencing with Section 1385) of Division 2 of the Fish and Game Code, and restoration and protection of upper watershed forests and meadow systems that are important for fish and wildlife resources. Subdivision (f) of Section 79738 of the Water Code applies to this subdivision. Priority shall be given to projects supported by multi-stakeholder public or private partnerships, or both, using a science-based approach and measurable objectives to guide identification, design, and implementation of regional actions to benefit salmon and steelhead.
- (i) Of the amount appropriated pursuant to this section, five million dollars (\$5,000,000) shall be available to assist in the development of the Central Valley Salmon Partnership Habitat Implementation Plan.
- (j) The Secretary shall give high priority to the removal of Dennett Dam on the Tuolumne River, if additional funds are still needed to complete removal of the Dam.
- (k) A local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization receiving funding under this chaptermay use up to twenty percent (20%) of those funds to establish a trust fund, the proceeds of which shall be used exclusively to pay or help pay for the maintenance and monitoring of the project being funded.
- (1) If the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization is unable to continue to maintain and monitor the project, it may transfer ownership of the trust fund to another public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization, with the approval of the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency.
  - (2) This subdivision does not apply to state agencies.
- (3) If the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization does not establish a trust fund pursuant to paragraph (1), the agency, tribe or organization shall certify to the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency that it can maintain the project from funds otherwise available to the agency, tribe or organization.
- (4) If all or part of the project cannot be maintained or is condemned, the trust fund and any unexpended interest are appropriated to the California Natural Resources Agency. The funds returned to the Agency may be utilized only for projects pursuant to this chapter.
- (I) Of the amount appropriated to the California Natural Resources agency pursuant to this section, seven million dollars (\$7,000,000) is appropriated to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for native fish restoration projects on the upper Feather River below Oroville dam for gravel restoration, streambed restoration, and salmon habitat restoration projects.

## **CHAPTER 7. Groundwater Sustainability and Storage.**

**86110.** (a) The sum of six hundred seventy-five million dollars (\$675,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the department for projects and programs that support sustainable groundwater management

consistent withPart 2.74 of Division 6 (commencing with Section 10720). The funds shall be used for competitive grants that advance sustainable groundwater management through implementation of groundwater sustainability plans and projects that protect, enhance, or improve groundwater supplies. At least ten percent (10%) of all grants made pursuant to this paragraph shall be made to groundwater sustainability agencies whose groundwater basins underlie disadvantaged communities.

- (b) The sum of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) is appropriated from the fund to the State board, for use by the Office of Sustainable Water Solutions to implement a multidisciplinary technical assistance program for small and disadvantaged communities, and support the involvement of disadvantaged communities and the public in groundwater sustainability agencies and in the development and implementation of groundwater sustainability plans.
- **86111.** (a) Of the funds authorized by section 86110, six hundred forty million dollars (\$640,000,000) shall be available for grants to groundwater sustainability agencies implementing groundwater sustainability plans pursuant to subdivision (k) of Section 10721 for the following purposes:
- (1) Groundwater recharge and storage projects including but not limited to acquisition of land and groundwater pumping allocations from willing sellers, planning of facilities such as feasibility studies and environmental compliance, distribution systems, and monitoring facilities. No grant made pursuant to this section shall exceed twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000).
- (2) Projects that implement groundwater sustainability plans pursuant to Part 2.74 of Division 6 (commencing with Section 10720). Projects eligible for funding include but are not limited to feasibility studies, environmental compliance, engineering work used to develop groundwater use and sustainable yield for specific projects, well use measurement and innovative decision support tools.
- (3) Projects that assess and address saltwater intrusion including future impacts related to climate change.
- (4) Matching grants to groundwater sustainability agencies to develop groundwater sustainability plans pursuant to subdivision (k) of Section 10721. No grant shall exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000), and no groundwater sustainability agency shall receive more than one grant.
- (b) Of the funds authorized by this section, the sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) shall be available for research to guide investments made pursuant to this section. Research activities may include, but are not limited to, geophysical surveys, system-level modeling and analysis, development of novel methods and tools that can be applicable to local decision-making, cross-sector economic and policy analysis of novel recharge methods, and development of new approaches to significantly enhance groundwater recharge and fit-for-purpose water treatment and reuse.
- (c) Of the funds authorized by this section, the department may allocate up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) for the development of publicly accessible decision support tools to assist groundwater sustainability agencies in conducting drinking water quality analysis, including the development and assessment of sustainable yield, undesirable results, measurable objectives and other required targets. The decision support tools should also support vulnerability assessments to help determine communities that may be at risk of facing water supply or contamination challenges. The tools should be available for other efforts such as drought vulnerability assessments and shall be linked to the Human Right to Water indicator housed at the State board.

- (d) Of the funds authorized by this section, the department may allocate up to five million dollars (\$5,000,000) for one or more grants for capital outlay and related programmatic purposes to institutions of higher education for facilities that can be used to improve communication and coordination among these institutions, the department and the State board in order to assure that developments in groundwater science and management are efficiently deployed and employed across higher education institutions and state government agencies.
- (e) A local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization receiving funding under this section may use up to twenty percent (20%) of those funds to establish a trust fund used exclusively to pay or help pay for the maintenance and monitoring of the agency's or organization's interest in land acquired pursuant to this section.
- (1) If the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization that acquired an interest in land with money from this section decides to transfer that interest to another public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization, the ownership of the trust fund established to maintain that interest inland shall also be transferred.
  - (2) This subdivision does not apply to state agencies.
- (3) If the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization does not establish a trust fund pursuant to this subdivision the agency, tribe or organization shall certify to the state agency making the grant that it can maintain the land to be acquired from funds otherwise available to the agency, tribe or organization.
- (4) If the interest in land is condemned or if the local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization determines that the interest in land is unable to fulfill the purposes for which money from this chapter was expended, the trust fund and any unexpended interest are appropriated to the agency that provided the money. The funds returned to the agency may be utilized only for projects pursuant to this chapter.
- **86112.** (a) The department shall give priority for funding pursuant to this chapter to the following in equal priority:
- (1) Groundwater basins designated by the department as critically overdrafted basins, groundwater basins which are in danger of becoming critically overdrafted, and groundwater basins where surface and groundwater are interconnected.
- (2) Groundwater basins with documented water quality problems, land subsidence, impacts on surface streams or groundwater dependent ecosystems, or other undesirable results as defined by subdivision (x) of Section 10721.
- (3) Groundwater basins that protect important state-owned resources, such as state parks and wildlife areas.
- (4) Projects that support the use of floodwaters of acceptable water quality to recharge groundwater basins. This innovative multi-benefit concept brings together four important California water management objectives, including flood hazard reduction, sustainable groundwater management, ecosystem restoration, and water supply reliability.

- (A) Projects may include adaptive modification of flood and conservation storage operations at reservoirs, modifications to spillway facilities at existing reservoirs, inundation of new or expanded flood bypasses or temporary flood storage land areas, application of floodwaters to agricultural lands during fallow or dormant seasons, or increased use of existing groundwater recharge facilities.
- (B) Projects may include using floodwaters for recharge of groundwater projects, with both flood hazard reduction and groundwater sustainability benefits.
- (C) Projects that provide benefits in flood hazard reduction and groundwater sustainability. Project feasibility can also be supported by ecosystem restoration and water supply benefits.
- (b) Of the amount appropriated in section 86110, the department may use up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) for the following purposes:
- (1) Assess statewide potential for use of floodwaters for recharge and prioritize locations based upon proximity and conveyance connections in the State with flood hazard reduction and groundwater sustainability needs.
- (2) Complete a pilot study of a priority location to demonstrate potential water resources management innovations to facilitate flood hazard reduction and groundwater recharge.
- (3) Identify and demonstrate use of analytical tools and innovative water management techniques to support development of available floodwaters and recharge of groundwater basins.
  - (4) Develop economic monetization techniques of groundwater recharge benefits.
- (5) Demonstrate application of the department's climate change methodology to both water supply and flood management applications.
- (6) Provide technical assistance to groundwater sustainability and local flood management agencies, as well as coordination with state and federal flood agencies.
- (c) The department shall consider the following criteria when awarding grants:
  - (1) The potential of the project to prevent or correct undesirable results due to groundwater use.
- (2) The potential of the project to maximize groundwater storage, reliability, recharge or conjunctive use.
  - (3) The potential of the project to support sustainable groundwater management.
- (4) The annualized cost-effectiveness of the project to achieve the goals of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, Chapter 2.74 of Division 6 (commencing with Section 10720).
- (d) Eligible entities as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166, including groundwater sustainability agencies, shall be eligible for grants. Priority for funding shall be given to local agencies implementing the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

- (e) For purposes of awarding funding under this chapter, a local cost share of not less than fifty percent (50%) of the total cost of the project shall be required. The cost-sharing requirement may be waived or reduced for that portion of a project that directly benefits a disadvantaged community or economically distressed area, or for projects the majority of whose benefits are to restore ecosystems dependent on groundwater.
- (f) No grant may be made unless the Department of Fish and Wildlife certifies that harm done to fish or wildlife as a result of the project will be mitigated to ensure any potential impacts are less than significant.
- (g) Eligible projects may include such infrastructure improvements such as improved canal and infiltration capacity.
- **86113**. (a) For purposes of this section, "District" means the Borrego Water District.
- (b) Of the amount appropriated in Section 86110, thirty-five million dollars (\$35,000,000) shall be awarded as a grant to the District for the following programs:
- (1) Acquisition of land and acquisition of the right to pump groundwater from willing sellers to reduce groundwater pumping in order to bring groundwater pumping within the boundaries of the Borrego Springs Subbasin of the Borrego Valley Groundwater Basin to a level that is sustainable on a long-term basis pursuant to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, Chapter 2.74 of Division 6 (commencing with Section 10720). Lands acquired may be transferred to the Department of Parks and Recreation, a nonprofit organization or another public agency for future management.
- (2) Water end-use efficiency, including urban and agricultural water conservation, and water conservation on recreational facilities such as golf courses.
  - (3) Restoration of lands acquired pursuant to this section.
  - (4) Stormwater capture for groundwater basin recharge and re-use.
  - (5) Other District projects implementing the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.
- (c) (1) No cost sharing by the District is required to implement this section. This is justified because the community of Borrego Springs is a severely disadvantaged community, and because excessive groundwater pumping can impact important resources in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park whose 500,000 annual visitors contribute an estimated forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) annually to the region, as well as support 600 jobs.
- (2) The District may require cost sharing by beneficiaries when making grants pursuant paragraphs (2) and (4) of subdivision (b).
- (d) As a condition of this grant, the District must agree to:
- (1) Implement measures which assure that lands not presently being irrigated will not come into irrigation, and that presently irrigated lands will not become more intensively irrigated; and

- (2) Require new development to pay all costs of water purchases the District incurs, and all costs of water projects the District undertakes in order to accommodate that development.
- (e) (1) The District or a nonprofit organization that receives funding pursuant to this chapter to acquire an interest in land may use up to twenty percent (20%) of those funds to establish a trust fund that is exclusively used to help pay for the maintenance, monitoring and restoration of that interest in land.
- (2) The District or a nonprofit organization that acquires an interest in land with money from this chapter and transfers the interest in land to another public agency or nonprofit organization shall also transfer the ownership of the trust fund that was established to maintain that interest in land.
  - (3) This subdivision does not apply to state agencies.
- (4) If the District or nonprofit organization does not establish a trust fund pursuant to this subdivision, the agency or organization shall certify to the department that it can maintain the land to be acquired from funds otherwise available to the agency or organization.
- (5) If the interest in land is condemned or if the District or nonprofit organization determines that the interest in land is unable to fulfill the purposes for which money from this chapter was expended, the trust fund and any unexpended interest are appropriated to the District. The funds returned to the District may be utilized only for projects pursuant to this chapter.
- (f) Any funds not needed by the District to implement the program described in this section may be granted by the District to a nonprofit organization or the California Department of Parks and Recreation to acquire lands adjacent to or in the immediate proximity of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park to prevent development or irrigation of that land which might impact groundwater resources in the Park. These lands may be inside or outside the boundaries of the District, but must be within the boundaries of the Borrego Springs Subbasin of the Borrego Valley Groundwater Basin, which is the source of all potable water for the Borrego Springs community and visitors to the Park. The lands may be used for wildlife habitat.
- (g) The District may award grants to nonprofit organizations in order to carry out all or part of the programs authorized by this section.

## CHAPTER 8. Water for Wildlife, Pacific Flyway Restoration, and Dynamic Habitat Management.

**86120.** The sum of three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the Wildlife Conservation Board (hereinafter in this section "the Board") to acquire water from willing sellers and to acquire storage and delivery rights to improve conditions for fish and wildlife in streams, rivers, wildlife refuges, wetland habitat areas and estuaries. High priority shall be given to meeting the water delivery goals of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act (Title 34 of Public Law 102-575). The Board may arrange for acquisition, long-term lease agreements, or transfer of water rights if it determines such actions are beneficial to wildlife conservation. The Board may sell, transfer, or store water or storage rights purchased pursuant to this section, if the Board finds that the sale, transfer or storage will not cause harm to fish and wildlife. In years when the Board does not require the water for fish and wildlife purposes, the Board may temporarily sell or lease the water or delivery rights. Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, the proceeds of any water sales pursuant to this section by the Board are appropriated directly to the Board without regard to fiscal year. The Board shall use the proceeds of the sale, lease or transfer of water or delivery rights to achieve conservation purposes authorized by this

section. The acquisition of water using funds expended pursuant to this chapter shall only be used for projects that will provide fisheries, wildlife or ecosystem benefits.

**86121**. The sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for the purpose of improving water supply and water quality conditions for fish and wildlife on private lands. The California Department of Fish and Wildlife may provide incentives to landowners for conservation actions on private lands or use of voluntary habitat credit exchange mechanisms. Such incentives shall be designed to be appropriately flexible and responsive to the highly variable amounts of water required by fish and wildlife.

The Department of Fish and Wildlife shall use a portion of the funds provided by this section to develop a programmatic authorization to expedite approval of habitat restoration and water quality improvement projects not covered under Chapter 6.5 of Division 2 of the Fish and Game Code, and for the implementation of that Chapter.

- **86122.** The sum of three hundred million dollars (\$300,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the Wildlife Conservation Board for coastal and Central Valley salmon and steelhead fisheries restoration projects. The Wildlife Conservation Board shall give priority to projects that contribute to the recovery of salmon and steelhead species listed pursuant to the state or federal endangered species acts, to enhance commercial and recreational salmon fisheries and to achieve the goals of Chapter 8 of Part 1 of Division 6 (commencing with Section 6900) of the Fish and Game Code.
- (a) Of the amount appropriated by this section, up to one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be spent for matching grants to local agencies for capital outlay projects to implement programs to improve fish passage opportunities and to restore anadromous salmonid habitats, particularly juvenile rearing habitat for spring run salmon, on rivers in the Sacramento Valley that have dams blocking the main stem of the river.
- (b) Of the amount appropriated by this section, at least one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be spent to install fish screens on the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers and their tributaries and in the Delta to screen anadromous fish from water intakes. High priority shall go to projects identified as high priority in the Sacramento Valley Salmon Resiliency Strategy (as published by the California Natural Resources Agency in June 2017, and as it may be amended).
- **86123**. (a) The sum of two hundred eighty million dollars (\$280,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the Wildlife Conservation Board for projects to protect migratory birds through habitat acquisition, easements, restoration, or other projects, and to provide water for wildlife refuges and wildlife habitat areas to fulfill the purposes identified in the Central Valley Joint Venture Implementation Plan, as it may be amended, including:
  - (1) Projects to implement this section which may include conservation actions on private lands.
  - (2) Protection and restoration of riparian and wetland habitat in the Sacramento River Basin.
- (3) Protection and restoration of riparian and wetland habitat in the San Joaquin and Tulare Basins.
- (b) Of the amount appropriated by this section, forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) shall be deposited in the California Waterfowl Habitat Preservation Account established pursuant to Section 3467 of the Fish

and Game Code, for the purposes of implementing the California Waterfowl Habitat Program pursuant to Article 7 (commencing with Section 3460) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 4 of the Fish and Game Code, the California Landowner Incentive Program of the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Permanent Wetland Easement Program of the Wildlife Conservation Board, and the establishment or enhancement of waterfowl nesting and other wildlife habitat cover on fallowed lands including projects authorized pursuant to Section 1018.

- (c) Of the amount appropriated by this section, ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) shall be deposited in the Shared Habitat Alliance for Recreational Enhancement (SHARE) Account established pursuant to Section 1572 of the Fish and Game Code and administered by the Department of Fish and Wildlife for the purposes of providing hunting and other wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities to the public through voluntary agreements with private landowners.
- (d) Of the amount appropriated by this section, at least one hundred and ten million dollars (\$110,000,000) shall be expended for acquisition and delivery of water to wildlife refuges, and associated infrastructure projects, to achieve full compliance with the terms of subsection (d) of Section 3406 of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act (Title 34 of Public Law 102-575).

## CHAPTER 8.6. Sacramento Region Water Reliability and Habitat Protection.

- **86124.** (a) Ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the department for grants to the Regional Water Authority and to the City of Sacramento on behalf of the Sacramento Area Water Forum for projects that are consistent with the coequal objectives of the Water Forum Agreement. Eligible projects include facilities, studies and other actions to improve flow and temperature conditions and habitat in the lower American River, increase water use efficiency and conservation, or improve the integration of surface water and groundwater supplies to provide for dry year water supply reliability.
- (b) The Regional Water Authority and the Water Forum shall jointly develop and approve studies, projects, or programs to be funded by the grants. Highest priority shall be given to improving water temperature conditions in the lower American River, and to projects or programs that contribute to both of the Water Forum's coequal objectives of improving water supply and protecting the environment. The Regional Water Authority will be the grantee for water supply and water efficiency projects. The City of Sacramento, on behalf of the Water Forum, will be the grantee for environmental protection, water temperature studies, and habitat restoration projects.
- (c) The amount allocated in aggregate to the package of projects shall not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the projects' total cost.
- (d) No funds appropriated pursuant to this section may be spent to build new surface storage or raise existing reservoirs.

## CHAPTER 9. Bay Area Regional Water Reliability.

**86125.** Two hundred and fifty million dollars (\$250,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the department for a grant to the group of eight water agencies collectively known as the Bay Area Regional Reliability Partnership (BARR) for new facilities that extend the benefits of surface water storage for region-wide benefits in any of the following areas: drought supply reliability, drinking water quality, and emergency storage, as generally described in the Final Mitigation Project List contained in the San Francisco Bay Area Regional Reliability Drought Contingency Plan. The Contra Costa Water District may

receive the grant on behalf of the Partnership unless the BARR Partnership has a governance structure in place at the time of the grant award that makes its eligible to receive the funds directly. The participating water agencies in the San Francisco Bay Area Regional Reliability Drought Contingency Plan will determine and designate funds to one or any of the listed projects, however in no case will the amount determined for any single project be more than 50% of the project's total cost. No funds appropriated pursuant to this section may be spent to build new surface storage, or raise existing reservoirs.

#### **CHAPTER 10. Improved Water Conveyance and Water Conservation.**

86126. Even though the drought has eased, the effects of the drought are still being felt in many areas throughout the state, including the San Joaquin Valley. Further exacerbating the impact of drought conditions on water users were legal requirements restricting pumping from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. One of the consequences of both the drought and pumping restrictions was a significant increase in groundwater pumping as a means to replace reduced surface supplies. Such increase in groundwater pumping lowers groundwater tables, which in turn causes wells to go dry and land to subside, which has particularly been the case on the east side of the San Joaquin Valley. The Friant-Kern Canal has lost 60% of its capacity to convey water for both consumptive uses and groundwater recharge. Unless conveyance capacity is restored and increased, the subsidence will continue to get worse and those local communities, including disadvantaged communities, who largely rely on groundwater to serve their citizens, will continue to suffer adverse effects. Significant public benefits will result from this state investment, including avoiding increased unemployment, stabilization of groundwater, and securing a more stable food supply for California.

**86127.** The sum of seven hundred fifty million dollars (\$750,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the department for a grant to the Friant Water Authority for water conveyance capital improvements, including restored and increased conveyance capacity to and in the Madera and Friant-Kern canals, resulting in greater groundwater recharge, improved conveyance and utilization of floodwaters, and for water conservation. Improvements with funds provided by this paragraph shall be completed consistent with applicable state and federal laws and contracts.

**86128.** The sum of one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the Natural Resources Agency for actions that support projects defined in paragraph 11 in the settlement agreement to restore the San Joaquin River referenced in Section 2080.2 of the Fish and Game Code. Before expenditure may occur, formal concurrence on specific projects to be undertaken is required by the settling parties to the agreement.

**86129.** The diversion of water from Barker Slough to the North Bay Aqueduct adversely impacts listed fish species, and also adversely impacts water quality served to a large urban area. There would be multiple public benefits to relocating the diversion to the North Bay Aqueduct to the Sacramento River.

**86130.** The sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is appropriated from the fund to the department to plan for a diversion of water from the Sacramento River to the North Bay Aqueduct to reduce the adverse impact on listed fish species, and provide a higher quality of drinking water to those served by the Aqueduct.

CHAPTER 11. Oroville Dam Flood Safety.

- **86131**. Oroville Dam provides flood control for the Sacramento Valley. The inclusion of flood control at Oroville Dam was not an obligation of the public water agencies that receive water from Oroville Dam. The flood control function of Oroville Dam was paid for by the federal government.
- **86132.** The sum of two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the department for repair and reconstruction of the spillways at the Oroville Dam.
- **86133.** The sum of twenty-one million dollars (\$21,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the department. Fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) shall be spent for Feather River sediment management and removal between Live Oak and Verona in coordination with the Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency. Six million dollars (\$6,000,000) of these funds shall be awarded as a grant to the Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency for floodwater attenuation projects at the Oroville Wildlife Area that provide downstream flood control relief and ecosystem restoration.
- **86134.** The sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) is appropriated from the Fund to the department for a grant to Butte County for capital outlay projects and equipment for emergency preparedness coordination and communications consistent with the California Office of Emergency Services Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS).

#### **CHAPTER 12. General Provisions.**

- **86151.** (a) In projects involving voluntary habitat restoration, water quality improvement and multibenefit floodplain restoration each agency administering provisions of this division shall encourage interagency coordination and develop and utilize efficient project approval and permitting mechanisms, including but not limited to the provisions of Chapter 6.5 of Division 2 of the Fish and Game Code (regardless of whether that chapter is still in effect) and programmatic permits for voluntary habitat restoration, so as to avoid project delays and maximize the amount of money spent on project implementation.
- (b) Projects designed to primarily protect migratory birds through acquisition, easements, restoration or other projects shall be consistent with the plans and recommendations established by the federal Migratory Bird Joint Venture partnerships that encompass parts of California.
- (c) Any agency providing funds pursuant to this division to disadvantaged communities or economically distressed areas may provide funding to assist these communities in applying for that funding, including technical and grant writing assistance. These funds may be provided to nonprofit organizations and local public agencies assisting these communities.
- (d) Any agency receiving funds pursuant to this division may contract for the services of resource conservation districts pursuant to Section 9003 of the Public Resources Code.
- (e) Agencies may count in-kind contributions up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the total project cost as part of cost sharing. Agencies may count the value of the donated land in a bargain sale as part of cost sharing.
- (f) Agencies considering proposals for acquisition of lands shall also consider the ability of the proposed final owner of the land to maintain it in a condition that will protect the values for which it is to be acquired, and to prevent any problems that might occur on neighboring lands if the land is not properly managed.

- (g) Trust funds established pursuant to this act shall be managed pursuant to the requirements of the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act, Part 7 (commencing with Section 18501) of Division 9 of the Probate Code.
- (h) Projects designed to primarily protect riparian habitat through acquisition, easements, restoration or other projects shall consider the plans and recommendations established by the California Riparian Habitat Conservation Program pursuant to Chapter 4.1 of Division 2 of the Fish and Game Code (commencing with Section 1385).
- (i) The administering agency shall provide advance payment of 50% of grant awards for those projects that satisfy both of the following criteria:
- (1) The project proponent is a disadvantaged community or eligible entity as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 86166, or the project benefits a disadvantaged community.
  - (2) The grant award for the project is less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000).
- (j) Eligible grant costs shall include indirect costs as defined in federal Office of Management and Budget guidelines, as well as reasonable overhead costs.
- (k) Agencies receiving funds designated for specific programs or grantees shall expedite the expenditure or transfer of those funds with the least amount of process necessary to comply with existing state laws and regulations, and the requirements of this division. It is the intent of this division that the expenditure or transfer of funds shall be efficient, cost-effective, and expeditious, and generally should occur no later than 90 days from demonstrated eligibility by the recipient for the funds requested.
- **86152.** Agencies shall, to the extent practicable, quantify the amount of water generated for human and environmental use resulting from proposed expenditures they make pursuant to this division. Agencies shall, to the extent practicable, quantify the improvement in the quality of water generated for human and environmental use resulting from proposed expenditures they make pursuant to this division.
- **86153.** To the extent consistent with the other provisions of this division, statewide agencies making grants pursuant to this division shall seek to allocate funds equitably to eligible projects throughout the state, including northern and southern California, coastal and inland regions, and Sierra and Cascade foothill and mountain regions.
- **86154.** Applicants for grants pursuant to this division shall indicate whether the grant proposal is consistent with the local Integrated Regional Water Management Plan, if one exists. However, consistency with the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan shall not be required as a condition of any grant, and grant proposals shall not be given lower priority if they are not consistent with Integrated Regional Water Management Plans.
- **86155.** (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this division, a local public agency with a population of less than 100,000 and a median household income of less than one hundred percent (100%) of the state average household income shall be required to provide matching funds of no more than thirty-five percent (35%) for a grant for a project entirely within their jurisdiction. State agencies making grants to these local public agencies may provide funding in advance of construction of portions of the project, if the state agency determines that requiring the local public agency to wait for payment until the project is completed would make the project infeasible.

- (b) Nothing in this section prohibits a state agency from making a grant to a disadvantaged community or economically distressed area that does not require cost sharing.
- **86156.** Any repayment of loans made pursuant to this division, including interest payments, and interest earnings shall be deposited in the Fund and shall be available solely for the purposes of the chapter or section that authorized the loan.
- **86157.** (a) Each state agency that receives an appropriation of funding made available by this division shall be responsible for establishing metrics of success and reporting the status of projects and all uses of the funding on the state's bond accountability Internet Web site.
- (b) Each state agency that receives an appropriation of funding made available by this division shall do the following:
  - (1) Evaluate the outcomes of projects funded by this division.
- (2) Include in the agency's reporting pursuant to Section 86003 the evaluation described in subdivision (a) of this section.
- (3) Hold a grantee of funds accountable for completing projects funded by this division on time and within scope.
- **86158.** (a) For projects carried out by state agencies pursuant to this division, up to ten percent (10%) of funds allocated for each program funded by this division may be expended for planning, monitoring and reporting necessary for the successful design, selection, and implementation of the projects and verification of benefits. An eligible entity receiving a grant for a project pursuant to this division may also receive sufficient funds for planning, monitoring and reporting necessary for the successful design, selection, and implementation of the projects. This section shall not otherwise restrict funds ordinarily used by an agency for "preliminary plans," "working drawings," and "construction" for a capital outlay project or grant project.
- (b) Permit and plan check fees and reasonable administrative and indirect project fees and costs related to managing construction shall be deemed part of construction costs. Project costs allocated for project planning and design, and direct and indirect administrative costs shall be identified as separate line items in the project budget.
- **86159.** Notwithstanding Section 16727 of the Government Code, funding provided pursuant to Chapters 6 and 8 may be used for grants and loans to nonprofit organizations to repay financing described in Section 22064 of the Financial Code related to projects that are consistent with the purposes of those chapters.
- **86160.** Not more than a total of five percent (5%) of the funds allocated to any state agency under this division may be used to pay for its costs of administering programs and projects specified in this division.
- **86161.** (a) Water quality monitoring data shall be collected and reported to the State board in a manner that is compatible and consistent with surface water monitoring data systems or groundwater monitoring data systems administered by the State board, consistent with Part 4.9 of Division 6. Watershed monitoring data shall be collected and reported to the Department of Conservation in a manner that is compatible and consistent with the statewide watershed program administered by the Department of Conservation.

- (b) State agencies making grants or loans pursuant to this division may include specific expenditures for compliance with local, state and federal permitting and other requirements.
- (c) Up to one percent (1%) of funds allocated for each program funded by this division may be expended for research into methods to improve water supply, water related habitat, and water quality relevant to that program, in addition to any other amounts provided for in this division.
- **86162.** (a) Prior to disbursing grants or loans pursuant to this division, each state agency that receives an appropriation from the funding made available by this division to administer a grant or loan program under this division shall develop and adopt project solicitation and evaluation guidelines. The guidelines shall include monitoring and reporting requirements and may include a limitation on the dollar amount of each grantor loan to be awarded. The guidelines shall not include a prohibition on the recovery of reasonable overhead or indirect costs by local public agencies, Indian tribes or nonprofit organizations. If the state agency has previously developed and adopted project solicitation and evaluation guidelines that comply with the requirements of this division, it may use those guidelines. Overhead or indirect costs incurred by a local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization are eligible for reimbursement and shall not weigh negatively in the evaluation of funding proposals pursuant to this division.
- (b) Prior to disbursing grants or loans, the state agency shall conduct three regional public meetings to consider public comments prior to finalizing the guidelines. The state agency shall publish the draft solicitation and evaluation guidelines on its website at least 30 days before the public meetings. One meeting shall be conducted at a location in northern California, one meeting shall be conducted at a location in the Central Valley of California, and one meeting shall be conducted at a location in southern California. Agencies without jurisdiction in one or more of these three regions may omit the meetings in the region or regions within which they do not have jurisdiction. Upon adoption, the state agency shall transmit copies of the guidelines to the fiscal committees and the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature.
- (c) At least 45 days prior to soliciting projects pursuant to this division, a state agency administering funds pursuant to this division shall post an electronic form of the guidelines for grant applicants on its website. Project solicitation and evaluation guidelines shall only include criteria based on the applicable requirements of this division.
- (d) Nothing in this division restricts agencies from enforcing and complying with existing laws.
- **86163.** Each project funded from this division shall comply with the following requirements:
- (a) The investment of public funds pursuant to this division will result in public benefits that address the most critical statewide needs and priorities for public funding, as determined by the agency distributing the funds.
- (b) In the appropriation and expenditure of funding authorized by this division, priority will be given to projects that leverage private, federal, or local funding or produce the greatest public benefit. All state agencies receiving funds pursuant to this division shall seek to leverage the funds to the greatest extent possible, but agencies shall take into account the limited ability to cost share by small public agencies, and by agencies seeking to benefit disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas.
- (c) A funded project shall advance the purposes of the chapter from which the project received funding.

- (d) In making decisions regarding water resources pursuant to this division, state and local agencies will use the best available science to inform those decisions.
- (e) To the extent practicable, a project supported by funds made available by this division will include signage informing the public that the project received funds from the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018.
- (f) To the extent feasible, projects funded with proceeds from this division shall promote stateplanning priorities consistent with the provisions of Section 65041.1 of the Government Code and sustainable communities strategies consistent with the provisions of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 65080 of the Government Code.
- (g) To the extent feasible, watershed objectives for private lands included in this division should be achieved through use of conservation easements and voluntary landowner participation, including, but not limited to, the use of perpetual conservation easements pursuant to Division 10.2 (commencing with Section 10200) and Division 10.4 (commencing with Section 10330) of the Public Resources Code, voluntary habitat credit exchange mechanisms, and conservation actions on private lands.
- **86164.** Funds provided by this division shall not be expended to pay the costs of the design, construction, operation, mitigation, or maintenance of Delta water conveyance facilities. Those costs shall be the responsibility of the water agencies that benefit from the design, construction, operation, mitigation, or maintenance of those facilities.
- **86165.** (a) This division does not diminish, impair, or otherwise affect in any manner whatsoever any area of origin, watershed of origin, county of origin, or any other water rights protections, including, but not limited to, rights to water appropriated prior to December 19, 1914, provided under the law. This division does not limit or affect the application of Article 1.7 (commencing with Section 1215) of Chapter 1 of Part 2 of Division 2, Sections 10505, 10505.5, 11128, 11460, 11461, 11462, and 11463, and Sections 12200 to 12220, inclusive.
- (b) For the purposes of this division, an area that utilizes water that has been diverted and conveyed from the Sacramento River hydrologic region, for use outside the Sacramento River hydrologic region or the Delta, shall not be deemed to be immediately adjacent thereto or capable of being conveniently supplied with water therefrom by virtue or on account of the diversion and conveyance of that water through facilities that may be constructed for that purpose after January 1, 2018.
- (c) Nothing in this division supersedes, limits, or otherwise modifies the applicability of Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 1700) of Part 2 of Division 2, including petitions related to any new conveyance constructed or operated in accordance with Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 85320) of Part 4 of Division 35.
- (d) Unless otherwise expressly provided, nothing in this division supersedes, reduces, or otherwise affects existing legal protections, both procedural and substantive, relating to the State board's regulation of diversion and use of water, including, but not limited to, water right priorities, the protection provided to municipal interests by Sections 106 and 106.5, and changes in water rights. Nothing in this division expands or otherwise alters the State board's existing authority to regulate the diversion and use of water or the courts' existing concurrent jurisdiction over California water rights.
- (e) Nothing in this division shall be construed to affect the California Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (Chapter

- 1.4 (commencing with Section 5093.50) of Division 5 of the Public Resources Code) or the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. Section 1271 et seq.) and funds authorized pursuant to this division shall not be available for any project that could have an adverse effect on the values upon which a wild and scenic river or any other river is afforded protections pursuant to the California Wild and Scenic Rivers Act or the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.
- (f) Nothing in this division supersedes, limits, or otherwise modifies the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009 (Division 35 (commencing with Section 85000)) or any other applicable law, including, but not limited to, Division 22.3 (commencing with Section 32300) of the Public Resources Code.
- (g) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any agency or nonprofit organization acquiring land pursuant to this division may make use of the Natural Heritage Preservation Tax Credit Act of 2000 (Division 28 (commencing with Section 37000) of the Public Resources Code). Funds appropriate pursuant to this division that are not designated for competitive grant programs may also be used for the purposes of reimbursing the General Fund pursuant to the Natural Heritage Preservation Tax Credit Act of 2000.
- (h) Funds provided pursuant to this division, and any appropriation or transfer of those funds, shall not be deemed to be a transfer of funds for the purposes of Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 2780) of Division 3 of the Fish and Game Code.
- **86166.** (a) Applicants eligible to receive grants, loans and contracts pursuant to this division are public agencies, state universities (including university-managed national laboratories), resource conservation districts, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, mutual water companies, public water systems as defined in subdivision (h) of Section 116275 of the Health and Safety Code, urban water suppliers as defined in Section 10617 of the Water Code, federally recognized Indian tribes, federal agencies owning or managing land in California, and state Indian tribes listed on the Native American Heritage Commission's California Tribal Consultation List. State agencies granting funds pursuant to this division shall give priority to eligible applicants with experience in planning, designing, and developing the types of projects receiving funding from the agencies, or which have access to consulting help in these areas.
- (b)(1) To be eligible for funding under this division, a project proposed by a public utility that is regulated by the Public Utilities Commission, or a mutual water company, shall have a clear and definite public purpose and the project shall benefit the customers of the watersystem and not the investors.
- (2) To be eligible for funding under this division, an urban water supplier shall have adopted and submitted an urban water management plan in accordance with the Urban Water Management Planning Act, Part 2.6 (commencing with Section 10610) of Division 6.
- (3) To be eligible for funding under this division, an agricultural water supplier shall have adopted and submitted an agricultural water management plan in accordance with the Agricultural Water Management Planning Act, Part 2.8 (commencing with Section 10800) of Division 6.
- (4) In accordance with Section 10608.56, an agricultural water supplier or an urban water supplier is ineligible for grant funding under this division unless it complies with the requirements of Part 2.55 (commencing with Section 10608) of Division 6.
- (5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this division, agencies receiving funds pursuant to this division may reduce or eliminate cost sharing requirements when making grants of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or less to nonprofit organizations with budgets less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) if

the agency determines that such grants would be the most effective way to achieve the purposes of this division.

- **86167.** Where feasible, projects funded pursuant to this division may use the services of the California Conservation Corps or certified community conservation corps, as defined in Section 14507.5 of the Public Resources Code. Public agencies receiving funding under this division shall give additional priority to projects that involve the services of the California Conservation Corps or a certified community conservation corps, or other nonprofit entities that provide job training and education opportunities for veterans, foster care recipients, farmworkers or local youth in conservation or restoration projects.
- **86168.** Each state agency that receives an appropriation of funding made available by this division shall be responsible for establishing and reporting on the state's bond accountability website each of the following: metrics of success, metrics for benefitting disadvantaged communities and economically distressed areas, progress in meeting those metrics, status of projects funded under this division, and all uses of the funding the state agency receives under this division. The Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency shall annually report to the Legislature expenditures made pursuant to this division, and the benefits derived from those expenditures.
- **86169.** The proceeds of bonds issued and sold pursuant to this division (excluding the proceeds of any refunding bonds issued in accordance with Section 86192) shall be deposited in the Water Supply Reliability and Drought Protection Fund of 2018, which is hereby created in the State Treasury.
- **86169.1** Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, moneys in the Water Supply Reliability and Drought Protection Fund of 2018 are continuously appropriated without regard to fiscal year for the purposes of this division in the manner set forth in this division. Funds authorized by, and made available pursuant to this division shall be available and expended only as provided in this division, and shall not be subject to appropriation or transfer by the Legislature or the Governor for any other purpose.
- **86170.** Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code does not apply to the development or implementation of programs or projects authorized or funded under this division.
- **86171.** (a) Funds provided by this division shall not be used to support or pay for the costs of environmental mitigation, except for the costs of environmental mitigation for projects funded pursuant to this division.
- (b) Funds provided by this division shall be used for environmental enhancements or other public benefits.
- (c) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the costs of mitigation of the environmental impacts directly related and limited to expenditures under this division may be paid for by funds provided by this division.
- (d) Funds available pursuant to this division shall not be expended to pay the costs of the design, construction, operation, mitigation, or maintenance of Delta conveyance facilities.
- **86172**. Every entity implementing this division shall give highest priority to funding projects that combine relatively high cost-effectiveness, durability, and enhanced environmental quality.

- **86174.** Acquisitions pursuant to Chapter 6 of this division shall be from willing sellers only.
- 86177. The requirement that a project be cost-effective does not require a full benefit/cost analysis.
- **86178.** Agencies implementing this division shall give special consideration to projects that employ new or innovative technology or practices, including decision support tools that support the integration of multiple strategies and jurisdictions, including, but not limited to, water supply, wildfire reduction, habitat improvement, invasive weed control, flood control, land use, and sanitation.
- **86179.** Any contract (including a contract to provide a grant) between a public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization and the Department of Fish and Wildlife or the Wildlife Conservation Board for work funded pursuant to this division, or pursuant to Division 26.7 shall be considered a contract subject to the requirements of Section 1501.5 of the Fish and Game Code, and therefor shall not be considered a public work or a public improvement, and is not subject to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 1720) of Part 7 of Division 2 of the Labor Code.
- **86179.1.** Priority shall be given to the expenditure of funds on activities that affect the Delta and the species that rely on it that are generally consistent with the report "A Delta Renewed: A Guide to Science-Based Ecological Restoration in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta" prepared in 2016 by the San Francisco Estuary Institute-Aquatic Science Center.
- **86179.2.** In the awarding of grants to be made by any agency pursuant to this act or Division 26.7 after the effective date of this act, overhead or indirect costs incurred by a local public agency, Indian tribe or nonprofit organization are eligible for reimbursement and shall not weigh negatively in the evaluation of funding proposals. Eligible grant costs shall include indirect costs as defined in federal Office of Management and Budget guidelines, as well as reasonable overhead costs. For nonprofit organizations, grants shall provide for reimbursement of indirect costs by applying the organization's federally negotiated indirect cost rate, if one exists. If a negotiated rate does not exist, the organization may elect to use the default indirect cost rate of 10 percent (10%) of its modified total direct costs as defined by the Office of Management and Budget.
- **86179.3.** No grants made pursuant to this division shall result in an unmitigated increase in a community's exposure to flood hazards or in a net reduction in flood conveyance capacity of any publicly owned flood protection facility.
- **86179.4.** In awarding grants for land acquisition, the Wildlife Conservation Board shall give preference to organizations that voluntarily pay property taxes.

## **CHAPTER 13. Fiscal Provisions.**

**86180.** (a) Bonds in the total amount of eight billion eight hundred seventy-seven million dollars (\$8,877,000,000), or so much thereof as is necessary, not including the amount of any refunding bonds issued in accordance with Section 86192 may be issued and sold to provide a fund to be used for carrying out the purposes expressed in this division and to reimburse the General Obligation Bond Expense Revolving Fund pursuant to Section 16724.5 of the Government Code. The bonds, when sold, shall be and constitute a valid and binding obligation of the State of California, and the full faith and credit of the State of California is hereby pledged for the punctual payment of both principal of, and interest on, the bonds as the principal and interest become due and payable.

- (b) The Treasurer shall from time to time sell the bonds authorized by the committee pursuant to Section 86182. Bonds shall be sold upon the terms and conditions specified in one or more resolutions to be adopted by the committee pursuant to Section 16731 of the Government Code.
- **86181.** The bonds authorized by this division shall be prepared, executed, issued, sold, paid, and redeemed as provided in the State General Obligation Bond Law, and all of the provisions of that law, as that law may be amended, apply to the bonds and to this division and are hereby incorporated in this division as though set forth in full in this division, except subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 16727 of the Government Code.
- **86182.** (a) Solely for the purpose of authorizing the issuance and sale pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law of the bonds authorized by this division, the Water Supply Reliability and Drought Protection Finance Committee is hereby created. For purposes of this division, the Water Supply Reliability and Drought Protection Finance Committee is the "committee" as that term is used in the State General Obligation Bond Law.
- (b) The finance committee consists of the Director of Finance, the Treasurer, and the Controller. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any member may designate a representative to act as that member in his or her place for all purposes, as though the member were personally present.
- (c) The Treasurer shall serve as chairperson of the finance committee.
- (d) A majority of the finance committee may act for the finance committee.
- **86183.** The finance committee shall determine whether or not it is necessary or desirable to issue bonds authorized by this division in order to carry out the actions specified in this division and, if so, the amount of bonds to be issued and sold. Successive issues of bonds may be authorized and sold to carry out those actions progressively, and it is not necessary that all of the bonds authorized to be issued be sold at any one time.
- **86184.** For purposes of the State General Obligation Bond Law, "board," as defined in Section 16722 of the Government Code, means the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency.
- **86185.** There shall be collected each year and in the same manner and at the same time as other state revenue is collected, in addition to the ordinary revenues of the state, a sum in an amount required to pay the principal of, and interest on, the bonds each year. It is the duty of all officers charged by law with any duty in regard to the collection of the revenue to do and perform each and every act that is necessary to collect that additional sum.
- **86186.** Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, there is hereby appropriated from the General Fund in the State Treasury, for the purposes of this division, an amount that will equal the total of the following:
- (a) The sum annually necessary to pay the principal of, and interest on, bonds issued and sold pursuant to this division, as the principal and interest become due and payable.
- (b) The sum that is necessary to carry out the provisions of Section 86189, appropriated without regard to fiscal years.

**86187.** The board may request the Pooled Money Investment Board to make a loan from the Pooled Money Investment Account in accordance with Section 16312 of the Government Code for the purpose of carrying out this division less any amount withdrawn pursuant to Section 86189. The amount of the request shall not exceed the amount of the unsold bonds that the committee has, by resolution, authorized to be sold (excluding any refunding bond authorized pursuant to Section 86192) for the purpose of carrying out this division. The board shall execute those documents required by the Pooled Money Investment Board to obtain and repay the loan. Any amounts loaned shall be deposited in the Fund to be allocated in accordance with this division.

**86188.** Notwithstanding any other provision of this division, or of the State General Obligation Bond Law, if the Treasurer sells bonds that include a bond counsel opinion to the effect that the interest on the bonds is excluded from gross income for federal tax purposes under designated conditions or is otherwise entitled to any federal tax advantage, the Treasurer may maintain separate accounts for the bond proceeds invested and for the investment earnings on those proceeds, and may use or direct the use of those proceeds or earnings to pay any rebate, penalty, or other payment required under federal law or take any other action with respect to the investment and use of those bond proceeds, as may be required or desirable under federal law in order to maintain the tax-exempt status of those bonds and to obtain any other advantage under federal law on behalf of the funds of this state.

**86189.** For the purposes of carrying out this division, the Director of Finance may authorize the withdrawal from the General Fund of an amount or amounts not to exceed the amount of the unsold bonds that have been authorized by the committee to be sold (excluding any refunding bond authorized pursuant to Section 86192) for the purpose of carrying out this division less any amount borrowed pursuant to Section 86187. Any amounts withdrawn shall be deposited in the Fund. Any moneys made available under this section shall be returned to the General Fund, with interest at the rate earned by the moneys in the Pooled Money Investment Account, from proceeds received from the sale of bonds for the purpose of carrying out this division.

**86190.** All moneys deposited in the Fund that are derived from premium and accrued interest on bonds sold pursuant to this division shall be reserved in the Fund and shall be available for transfer to the General Fund as a credit to expenditures for bond interest, except that amounts derived from premium may be reserved and used to pay the cost of bond issuance prior to any transfer to the General Fund.

**86191.** Pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, the cost of bond issuance shall be paid out of the bond proceeds, including premiums, if any. To the extent the cost of bond issuance is not paid from premiums received from the sale of bonds, these costs shall be shared proportionately by each program funded through this division by the applicable bond sale.

**86192.** The bonds issued and sold pursuant to this division may be refunded in accordance with Article 6 (commencing with Section 16780) of Chapter 4 of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code, which is a part of the State General Obligation Bond Law. Approval by the voters of the state for the issuance of the bonds under this division shall include approval of the issuance of any bonds issued to refund any bonds originally issued under this division or any previously issued refunding bonds. Any bond refunded with the proceeds of refunding bonds as authorized by this section may be legally defeased to the extent permitted by law in the manner and to the extent set forth in the resolution, as amended from time to time, authorizing such refunded bonds.

**86193.** The proceeds from the sale of bonds authorized by this division are not "proceeds of taxes" as that term is used in Article XIII B of the California Constitution, and the disbursement of these proceeds is

not subject to the limitations imposed by that article.

**SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this act shall take effect immediately upon approval by the voters of the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018, as set forth in that section at the November 6, 2018, statewide general election. In order to fund a water supply reliability and drought protection program at the earliest possible date, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

## **SECTION 3. Conflicting Provisions.**

- (a) The provisions and intent of the Water Supply and Water Quality Act of 2018 shall be given precedence over any state law, statute, regulation or policy that conflicts with this section, and the policy and intent of this act shall prevail over any such contrary law, statute, regulation or policy.
- (b) If this division is approved by the voters, but superseded by any other conflicting ballot division approved by more voters at the same election, and the conflicting ballot division is later held invalid, it is the intent of the voters that this act shall be given the full force of law.
- (c) If any rival or conflicting initiative regulating any matter addressed by this act receives the higher affirmative vote, then all non-conflicting parts of this act shall become operative.

**SECTION 4.** If any provision of this act or the application thereof is held invalid, that invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this act that can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable.

#### **SECTION 5.**

Section 2799.7 is added to the Fish and Game Code to read:

**2799.7.** Subdivision (f) of Section 2787 does not apply to Section 2795. Notwithstanding other provisions of this article and Section 13340 of the Government Code, as of July 2, 2020 funds transferred pursuant to Section 2795 shall be continuously appropriated to the Wildlife Conservation Board for purposes of Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 86120) of Division 38 of the WaterCode.

#### SECTION 6.

Part 12 is added to Division 6 of the Water Code to read:

Section 11860. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law (including Section 13340 of the Government Code and Sections 39710 through 39723 of the Health and Safety Code), the fees paid, the cost of compliance instruments acquired, and the increased cost of power purchased by the Department of Water Resources, hereafter "Department," as a result of the implementation of Division 25.5 of the Health and Safety Code are continuously appropriated to the Department from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, as defined in Section 16428.8 of the Government Code, and the fees paid, the cost of compliance instruments acquired and the increased cost of power purchased by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Statutes 1969, chapter 209, as amended), hereafter "District," as a result of the implementation of Division 25.5 of the Health and Safety Code are continuously appropriated to the District from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, as defined in Section 16428.8 of the Government Code.

- (b) The funds appropriated to the Department pursuant to this section shall be expended within the State Water Resources Development System, and on consumer water conservation programs within the jurisdiction of the State Water Resources Development System.
- (c) The funds appropriated to the District pursuant to this section shall be expended within the water storage, treatment, conveyance, and distribution system of the District and on consumer water conservation programs within the jurisdiction of the District.
- (d) Of the consumer water conservation programs authorized by subdivisions (b) and (c), highest priority shall be given to those benefitting disadvantaged communities (as defined subdivision (a) of Section 79505.5, as it may be amended) and economically distressed areas (as defined in subdivision (k) of Section 79702, as it may be amended).
- (e) All expenditures pursuant to this section shall meet the requirements of Chapter 4.1 of Part 2 of Division 26 of the Health and Safety Code. The Department and District will provide an annual report to the Air Resources Board on the prior-year's project implementation along with a plan for current year implementation.
- (f) No funds provided by this part shall be expended to pay the costs of the design, construction, operation, mitigation, or maintenance of new Delta water conveyance facilities. No funds provided by this section shall be expended to pay the costs of construction of new surface water storage facilities or to expand the capacity of the California Aqueduct or the Colorado River Aqueduct. Those costs shall be the responsibility of the water agencies that benefit from the design, construction, operation, mitigation, or maintenance of those facilities.
- (g) All reasonable and feasible measures shall be taken to reduce, avoid, or mitigate significant negative environmental impacts from projects undertaken pursuant to this section.
- Section 11861. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law (including Section 13340 of the Government Code and Sections 39710 through 39723 of the Health and Safety Code), the fees paid, the cost of compliance instruments acquired, and the increased cost of power purchased by the Contra Costa Water District, hereafter "District," as a result of the implementation of Division 25.5 of the Health and Safety Code are continuously appropriated to the District from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, as defined in Section 16428.8 of the Government Code, and the fees paid, the cost of compliance instruments acquired and the increased cost of power purchased by the San Luis and Delta Mendota Water Authority hereafter "San Luis Authority," as a result of the implementation of Division 25.5 of the Health and Safety Code are continuously appropriated to the San Luis Authority from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, as defined in Section 16428.8 of the Government Code.
- (b) (1) The funds appropriated to the Contra Costa Water District pursuant to this section shall be expended within the boundaries of the District, and on consumer water conservation programs within the District.
- (2) The funds appropriated to the San Luis Authority pursuant to this section shall be expended within the water storage, treatment, conveyance, and distribution system of the San Luis Authority and on water conservation, water quality improvement, water treatment, water supply and similar water programs within the jurisdiction of the Authority.
- (c) Of the funds appropriated pursuant to subdivision (b), highest priority shall be given to those projects

benefitting disadvantaged communities (as defined subdivision (a) of Section 79505.5, as it may be amended) and economically distressed areas (as defined in subdivision (k) of Section 79702, as it may be amended).

- (d) All expenditures pursuant to this section shall meet the requirements of Chapter 4.1 of Part 2 of Division 26 of the Health and Safety Code. The District and San Luis Authority will provide an annual report to the Air Resources Board on the prior-year's project implementation along with a plan for current year implementation.
- (e) All reasonable and feasible measures shall be taken to reduce, avoid, or mitigate significant negative environmental impacts from projects undertaken pursuant to this section.



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INITIATIVE COORDINATOR ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Re: People's Initiative to Protect Proposition 13 Savings, Version 3 (17-0013)

Dear Ms. Johansson:

When we met with representatives of the Legislative Analyst's Office to discuss the fiscal analysis of the initiative that has been submitted by the California Association of REALTORS®, they identified an error in the initiative as drafted by Legislative Counsel.

The initiative specifies the method for calculating the base year value of the replacement property if the full cash value of the replacement property is equal to or less than the full cash value of the original property. The formula erroneously refers to "replacement" property when it should have referred to "original" property. The enclosed copy of Version 3 has been corrected; the correction is highlighted in yellow.

I respectfully request that the Attorney General prepare a title and summary for the amended language.

If you have any questions, please contact Christopher C. Carlisle, 1121 L Street, Suite 600, Sacramento, CA 95814; (916) 492-5200.

Sincerely,

Alexander E. Creel

Senior Vice-President Governmental Affairs

**Enclosure** 



# **VERSION 3**; with amendments

SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and shall be cited, as the People's Initiative to Protect Proposition 13 Savings.

SECTION 2. Section 2 of Article XIII A of the State Constitution is amended to read:

SEC. 2. (a) (1) The "full cash value" means the county assessor's valuation of real property as shown on the 1975–76 tax bill under "full cash value" or, thereafter, the appraised value of real property when purchased, newly constructed, or a change in ownership has occurred after the 1975 assessment. All real property not already assessed up to the 1975–76 full cash value may be reassessed to reflect that valuation. For purposes of this section, "newly constructed" does not include real property that is reconstructed after a disaster, as declared by the Governor, where the fair market value of the real property, as reconstructed, is comparable to its fair market value prior to the disaster. For purposes of this section, the term "newly constructed" does not include that portion of an existing structure that consists of the construction or reconstruction of seismic retrofitting components, as defined by the Legislature.

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- (2) On and after November 5, 1986, and until January 1, 2019, the
  Legislature may provide that, under appropriate circumstances and pursuant to
  definitions and procedures established by the Legislature, any person over the age
  of 55 years who resides in property that is eligible for the homeowner's exemption
  under subdivision (k) of Section 3 of Article XIII and any implementing legislation
  may transfer the base year value of the property entitled to exemption, with the
  adjustments authorized by subdivision (b), to any replacement dwelling of equal
  or lesser value located within the same county and purchased or newly constructed
  by that person as his or her principal residence within two years of the sale of the
  original property. For
- (3) (A) For purposes of this section, "any the following definitions shall apply:

- (i) "Any person over the age of 55 years" includes a married couple one member of which is over the age of 55 years. For purposes of this section, "replacement
- (ii) "Replacement dwelling" means a building, structure, or other shelter constituting a place of abode, whether real property or personal property, and any land on which it may be situated. For purposes of this section, a two-dwelling unit shall be considered as two separate single-family dwellings. This
- (B) This paragraph shall apply to any replacement dwelling that was purchased or newly constructed on or after November 5, 1986.

## In addition, the

(4) On and after November 9, 1988, and until January 1, 2019, the

Legislature may authorize each county board of supervisors, after consultation
with the local affected agencies within the county's boundaries, to adopt an
ordinance making the provisions of this subdivision relating to transfer of base
year value also applicable to situations in which the replacement dwellings are
located in that county and the original properties are located in another county
within this State. For purposes of this paragraph, "local affected agency" means
any city, special district, school district, or community college district that receives
an annual property tax revenue allocation. This paragraph applies to any
replacement dwelling that was purchased or newly constructed on or after the date
the county adopted the provisions of this subdivision relating to transfer of base
year value, but does not apply to any replacement dwelling that was purchased or
newly constructed before November 9, 1988.

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(5) On and after June 6, 1990, and until January 1, 2019, the Legislature may extend the provisions of this subdivision relating to the transfer of base year values from original properties to replacement dwellings of homeowners over the age of 55 years to severely disabled homeowners, but only with respect to those replacement dwellings purchased or newly constructed on or after the effective

date of this paragraph.

- (6) (A) On and after January 1, 2019, subject to applicable procedures and definitions as provided by statute, the base year value of property that is eligible for the homeowner's exemption under subdivision (k) of Section 3 of Article XIII of any person over 55 years of age or any severely disabled homeowner shall be transferred to any replacement dwelling, regardless of the number of prior transfers, the value of the replacement dwelling or whether the replacement dwelling is located within the same county, that is purchased or newly constructed by that person as his or her principal residence within two years of the sale of the original property.
  - (B) For purposes of this paragraph, the following shall apply:
- (i) For any replacement dwelling of greater value and purchased or newly constructed by a person eligible to transfer the base year value of his or her original property, the base year value of the replacement dwelling shall be calculated by adding the difference between the full cash value of the original property and the full cash value of the replacement dwelling to the base year value of the original property.
- (ii) For any replacement dwelling of equal or lesser value purchased or newly constructed by a person eligible to transfer the base year value of his or her original property, the base year value of the replacement dwelling shall be calculated by dividing the base year value of the original property by the full cash value of the original property, and multiplying the result by the full cash value of the replacement dwelling.
- (b) The full cash value base may reflect from year to year the inflationary rate not to exceed 2 percent for any given year or reduction as shown in the consumer price index or comparable data for the area under taxing jurisdiction, or may be reduced to reflect substantial damage, destruction, or other factors causing a decline in value.
- (c) For purposes of subdivision (a), the Legislature may provide that the term "newly constructed" does not include any of the following:

- (1) The construction or addition of any active solar energy system.
- (2) The construction or installation of any fire sprinkler system, other fire extinguishing system, fire detection system, or fire-related egress improvement, as defined by the Legislature, that is constructed or installed after the effective date of this paragraph.
- (3) The construction, installation, or modification on or after the effective date of this paragraph of any portion or structural component of a single- or multiple-family dwelling that is eligible for the homeowner's exemption if the construction, installation, or modification is for the purpose of making the dwelling more accessible to a severely disabled person.
- (4) The construction, installation, removal, or modification on or after the effective date of this paragraph of any portion or structural component of an existing building or structure if the construction, installation, removal, or modification is for the purpose of making the building more accessible to, or more usable by, a disabled person.
- (d) For purposes of this section, the term "change in ownership" does not include the acquisition of real property as a replacement for comparable property if the person acquiring the real property has been displaced from the property replaced by eminent domain proceedings, by acquisition by a public entity, or governmental action that has resulted in a judgment of inverse condemnation. The real property acquired shall be deemed comparable to the property replaced if it is similar in size, utility, and function, or if it conforms to state regulations defined by the Legislature governing the relocation of persons displaced by governmental actions. This subdivision applies to any property acquired after March 1, 1975, but affects only those assessments of that property that occur after the provisions of this subdivision take effect.
- (e) (1) (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Legislature shall provide that the base year value of property that is substantially damaged or destroyed by a disaster, as declared by the Governor, may be

transferred to comparable property within the same county that is acquired or newly constructed as a replacement for the substantially damaged or destroyed property.

(2)

(B) Except as provided in paragraph (3), subparagraph (C), this subdivision paragraph applies to any comparable replacement property acquired or newly constructed on or after July 1, 1985, until January 1, 2019, and to the determination of base year values for the 1985–86 fiscal year and fiscal years thereafter. until the 2018–19 fiscal year.

(3)

- (C) (i) In addition to the transfer of base year value of property within the same county that is permitted by paragraph (1), subparagraph (A), the Legislature may authorize each county board of supervisors to adopt, after consultation with affected local agencies within the county, an ordinance allowing the transfer of the base year value of property that is located within another county in the State and is substantially damaged or destroyed by a disaster, as declared by the Governor, to comparable replacement property of equal or lesser value that is located within the adopting county and is acquired or newly constructed within three years of the substantial damage or destruction of the original property as a replacement for that property. The scope and amount of the benefit provided to a property owner by the transfer of base year value of property pursuant to this paragraph shall not exceed the scope and amount of the benefit provided to a property owner by the transfer of base year value of property pursuant to subdivision (a). For purposes of this paragraph, subparagraph, "affected local agency" means any city, special district, school district, or community college district that receives an annual allocation of ad valorem property tax revenues. This paragraph
- (ii) This subparagraph applies to any comparable replacement property that is acquired or newly constructed as a replacement for property substantially

damaged or destroyed by a disaster, as declared by the Governor, occurring on or after October 20, 1991, and before January 1, 2019, and to the determination of base year values for the 1991–92 fiscal year and fiscal years thereafter. until the 2018–19 fiscal year.

- (2) (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, on and after January 1, 2019, the base year value of property that is substantially damaged or destroyed by a disaster, as declared by the Governor, shall be transferred to any property that is acquired or newly constructed as a replacement for the substantially damaged or destroyed property, regardless of whether that replacement property is comparable, as specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (f), or whether the replacement property is located within the same county.
  - (B) For purposes of this paragraph, the following shall apply:
- (i) For any replacement property of greater value and purchased or newly constructed by a person eligible to transfer the base year value of his or her original property, the base year value of the replacement property shall be calculated by adding the difference between the full cash value of the original property and the full cash value of the replacement property to the base year value of the original property.
- (ii) For any replacement property of equal or lesser value purchased or newly constructed by a person eligible to transfer the base year value of his or her original property, the base year value of the replacement property shall be calculated by dividing the base year value of the original property by the full cash value of the original property, and multiplying the result by the full cash value of the replacement property.
  - (f) For the purposes of subdivision (e):
- (1) Property is substantially damaged or destroyed if it sustains physical damage amounting to more than 50 percent of its value immediately before the disaster. Damage includes a diminution in the value of property as a result of restricted access caused by the disaster.

- (2) Replacement property is comparable to the property substantially damaged or destroyed if it is similar in size, utility, and function to the property that it replaces, and if the fair market value of the acquired property is comparable to the fair market value of the replaced property prior to the disaster.
- (g) For purposes of subdivision (a), the terms "purchased" and "change in ownership" do not include the purchase or transfer of real property between spouses since March 1, 1975, including, but not limited to, all of the following:
- (1) Transfers to a trustee for the beneficial use of a spouse, or the surviving spouse of a deceased transferor, or by a trustee of such a trust to the spouse of the trustor.
  - (2) Transfers to a spouse that take effect upon the death of a spouse.
- (3) Transfers to a spouse or former spouse in connection with a property settlement agreement or decree of dissolution of a marriage or legal separation.
- (4) The creation, transfer, or termination, solely between spouses, of any coowner's interest.
- (5) The distribution of a legal entity's property to a spouse or former spouse in exchange for the interest of the spouse in the legal entity in connection with a property settlement agreement or a decree of dissolution of a marriage or legal separation.
- (h) (1) For purposes of subdivision (a), the terms "purchased" and "change in ownership" do not include the purchase or transfer of the principal residence of the transferor in the case of a purchase or transfer between parents and their children, as defined by the Legislature, and the purchase or transfer of the first one million dollars (\$1,000,000) of the full cash value of all other real property between parents and their children, as defined by the Legislature. This subdivision applies to both voluntary transfers and transfers resulting from a court order or judicial decree.
- (2) (A) Subject to subparagraph (B), commencing with purchases or transfers that occur on or after the date upon which the measure adding this paragraph

becomes effective, the exclusion established by paragraph (1) also applies to a purchase or transfer of real property between grandparents and their grandchild or grandchildren, as defined by the Legislature, that otherwise qualifies under paragraph (1), if all of the parents of that grandchild or those grandchildren, who qualify as the children of the grandparents, are deceased as of the date of the purchase or transfer.

- (B) A purchase or transfer of a principal residence shall not be excluded pursuant to subparagraph (A) if the transferee grandchild or grandchildren also received a principal residence, or interest therein, through another purchase or transfer that was excludable pursuant to paragraph (1). The full cash value of any real property, other than a principal residence, that was transferred to the grandchild or grandchildren pursuant to a purchase or transfer that was excludable pursuant to paragraph (1), and the full cash value of a principal residence that fails to qualify for exclusion as a result of the preceding sentence, shall be included in applying, for purposes of subparagraph (A), the one-million-dollar (\$1,000,000) full cash value limit specified in paragraph (1).
- (i) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (5), the Legislature shall provide with respect to a qualified contaminated property, as defined in paragraph (2), that either, but not both, of the following apply:
- (A) (i) Subject to the limitation of clause (ii), on and after November 4, 1998, and until January 1, 2019, the base year value of the qualified contaminated property, as adjusted as authorized by subdivision (b), may be transferred to a replacement property that is acquired or newly constructed as a replacement for the qualified contaminated property, if the replacement real property has a fair market value that is equal to or less than the fair market value of the qualified contaminated property if that property were not contaminated and, except as otherwise provided by this clause, is located within the same county. The base year value of the qualified contaminated property may be transferred to a

replacement real property located within another county if the board of supervisors of that other county has, after consultation with the affected local agencies within that county, adopted a resolution authorizing an intercounty transfer of base year value as so described.

- (ii) This subparagraph applies only to replacement property that is acquired or newly constructed within five years after ownership in the qualified contaminated property is sold or otherwise transferred.
- (B) In the case in which the remediation of the environmental problems on the qualified contaminated property requires the destruction of, or results in substantial damage to, a structure located on that property, the term "new construction" does not include the repair of a substantially damaged structure, or the construction of a structure replacing a destroyed structure on the qualified contaminated property, performed after the remediation of the environmental problems on that property, provided that the repaired or replacement structure is similar in size, utility, and function to the original structure.
- (2) For purposes of this subdivision, "qualified contaminated property" means residential or nonresidential real property that is all of the following:
- (A) In the case of residential real property, rendered uninhabitable, and in the case of nonresidential real property, rendered unusable, as the result of either environmental problems, in the nature of and including, but not limited to, the presence of toxic or hazardous materials, or the remediation of those environmental problems, except where the existence of the environmental problems was known to the owner, or to a related individual or entity as described in paragraph (3), at the time the real property was acquired or constructed. For purposes of this subparagraph, residential real property is "uninhabitable" if that property, as a result of health hazards caused by or associated with the environmental problems, is unfit for human habitation, and nonresidential real property is "unusable" if that property, as a result of health hazards caused by or associated with the environmental problems, is unhealthy and unsuitable for occupancy.

- (B) Located on a site that has been designated as a toxic or environmental hazard or as an environmental cleanup site by an agency of the State of California or the federal government.
- (C) Real property that contains a structure or structures thereon prior to the completion of environmental cleanup activities, and that structure or structures are substantially damaged or destroyed as a result of those environmental cleanup activities.
- (D) Stipulated by the lead governmental agency, with respect to the environmental problems or environmental cleanup of the real property, not to have been rendered uninhabitable or unusable, as applicable, as described in subparagraph (A), by any act or omission in which an owner of that real property participated or acquiesced.
- (3) It shall be rebuttably presumed that an owner of the real property participated or acquiesced in any act or omission that rendered the real property uninhabitable or unusable, as applicable, if that owner is related to any individual or entity that committed that act or omission in any of the following ways:
- (A) Is a spouse, parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, or sibling of that individual.
  - (B) Is a corporate parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of that entity.
  - (C) Is an owner of, or has control of, that entity.
  - (D) Is owned or controlled by that entity.

If this presumption is not overcome, the owner shall not receive the relief provided for in subparagraph (A) or (B) of paragraph (1). The presumption may be overcome by presentation of satisfactory evidence to the assessor, who shall not be bound by the findings of the lead governmental agency in determining whether the presumption has been overcome.

(4) This subdivision applies only to replacement property that is acquired or constructed on or after January 1, 1995, and to property repairs performed on or after that date.

- (5) (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, on and after January 1, 2019, and subject to the limitation of clause (ii) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1), the base year value of the qualified contaminated property shall be transferred to a replacement property that is acquired or newly constructed as a replacement for the qualified contaminated property, regardless of whether the replacement real property has a fair market value that is equal to or less than the fair market value of the qualified contaminated property if that property were not contaminated or whether the replacement property is located within the same county.
  - (B) For purposes of this paragraph, the following shall apply:
- (i) For any replacement property of greater value and purchased or newly constructed by a person eligible to transfer the base year value of his or her original property pursuant to this clause, the base year value of the replacement property shall be calculated by adding the difference between the full cash value of the original property and the full cash value of the replacement property to the base year value of the original property.
- (ii) For any replacement property of equal or lesser value purchased or newly constructed by a person eligible to transfer the base year value of his or her original property pursuant to this clause, the base year value of the replacement property shall be calculated by dividing the base year value of the original property by the full cash value of the original property, and multiplying the result by the full cash value of the replacement property.
- (j) Unless specifically provided otherwise, amendments to this section adopted prior to November 1, 1988, are effective for changes in ownership that occur, and new construction that is completed, after the effective date of the amendment. Unless specifically provided otherwise, amendments to this section adopted after November 1, 1988, are effective for changes in ownership that occur, and new construction that is completed, on or after the effective date of the amendment.

SECTION 3. Section 69.5 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

- 69.5. (a) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, any person over the age of 55 years, or any severely and permanently disabled person, who resides in property that is eligible for the homeowners' exemption under subdivision (k) of Section 3 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and Section 218 may transfer, subject to the conditions and limitations provided in this section, the base year value of that property to any replacement dwelling of equal or lesser value that is located within the same county and is purchased or newly constructed by that person as his or her principal residence within two years of the sale by that person of the original property, provided that the base year value of the original property shall not be transferred to the replacement dwelling until the original property is sold.
- (2) Notwithstanding the limitation in paragraph (1) requiring that the original property and the replacement dwelling be located in the same county, this limitation shall not apply in any county in which the county board of supervisors, after consultation with local affected agencies within the boundaries of the county, adopts an ordinance making the provisions of paragraph (1) also applicable to situations in which replacement dwellings are located in that county and the original properties are located in another county within this state. The authorization contained in this paragraph shall be applicable in a county only if the ordinance adopted by the board of supervisors complies with all of the following requirements:
- (A) It is adopted only after consultation between the board of supervisors and all other local affected agencies within the county's boundaries.
- (B) It requires that all claims for transfers of base year value from original property located in another county be granted if the claims meet the applicable requirements of both subdivision (a) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and this section.
- (C) It requires that all base year valuations of original property located in another county and determined by its assessor be accepted in connection with the granting of

claims for transfers of base year value.

- (D) It provides that its provisions are operative for a period of not less than five years.
- (E) The ordinance specifies the date on and after which its provisions shall be applicable. However, the date specified shall not be earlier than November 9, 1988. The specified applicable date may be a date earlier than the date the county adopts the ordinance.
- (b) In addition to meeting the requirements of subdivision (a), any person claiming the property tax relief provided by this section shall be eligible for that relief only if the following conditions are met:
- (1) The claimant is an owner and a resident of the original property either at the time of its sale, or at the time when the original property was substantially damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity, or within two years of the purchase or new construction of the replacement dwelling.
- (2) The original property is eligible for the homeowners' exemption, as the result of the claimant's ownership and occupation of the property as his or her principal residence, either at the time of its sale, or at the time when the original property was substantially damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity, or within two years of the purchase or new construction of the replacement dwelling.
- (3) At the time of the sale of the original property, the claimant or the claimant's spouse who resides with the claimant is at least 55 years of age, or is severely and permanently disabled.
- (4) At the time of claiming the property tax relief provided by subdivision (a), the claimant is an owner of a replacement dwelling and occupies it as his or her principal place of residence and, as a result thereof, the property is currently eligible for the homeowners' exemption or would be eligible for the exemption except that the property is already receiving the exemption because of an exemption claim filed by the previous owner.
  - (5) The original property of the claimant is sold by him or her within two years

of the purchase or new construction of the replacement dwelling. For purposes of this paragraph, the purchase or new construction of the replacement dwelling includes the purchase of that portion of land on which the replacement building, structure, or other shelter constituting a place of abode of the claimant will be situated and that, pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (g), constitutes a part of the replacement dwelling.

- (6) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a), the replacement dwelling, including that portion of land on which it is situated that is specified in paragraph (5), is located entirely within the same county as the claimant's original property.
- (7) The claimant has not previously been granted, as a claimant, the property tax relief provided by this section, except that this paragraph shall not apply to any person who becomes severely and permanently disabled subsequent to being granted, as a claimant, the property tax relief provided by this section for any person over the age of 55 years. In order to prevent duplication of claims under this section within this state, county assessors shall report quarterly to the State Board of Equalization that information from claims filed in accordance with subdivision (f) and from county records as is specified by the board necessary to identify fully all claims under this section allowed by assessors and all claimants who have thereby received relief. The board may specify that the information include all or a part of the names and social security numbers of claimants and their spouses and the identity and location of the replacement dwelling to which the claim applies. The information may be required in the form of data processing media or other media and in a format that is compatible with the recordkeeping processes of the counties and the auditing procedures of the state.
- (c) The property tax relief provided by this section shall be available if the original property or the replacement dwelling, or both, of the claimant includes, but is not limited to, either of the following:
- (1) A unit or lot within a cooperative housing corporation, a community apartment project, a condominium project, or a planned unit development. If the unit or lot

constitutes the original property of the claimant, the assessor shall transfer to the claimant's replacement dwelling only the base year value of the claimant's unit or lot and his or her share in any common area reserved as an appurtenance of that unit or lot. If the unit or lot constitutes the replacement dwelling of the claimant, the assessor shall transfer the base year value of the claimant's original property only to the unit or lot of the claimant and any share of the claimant in any common area reserved as an appurtenance of that unit or lot.

- (2) A manufactured home or a manufactured home and any land owned by the claimant on which the manufactured home is situated. For purposes of this paragraph, "land owned by the claimant" includes a pro rata interest in a resident-owned mobilehome park that is assessed pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 62.1.
- (A) If the manufactured home or the manufactured home and the land on which it is situated constitutes the claimant's original property, the assessor shall transfer to the claimant's replacement dwelling either the base year value of the manufactured home or the base year value of the manufactured home and the land on which it is situated, as appropriate. If the manufactured home dwelling that constitutes the original property of the claimant includes an interest in a resident-owned mobilehome park, the assessor shall transfer to the claimant's replacement dwelling the base year value of the claimant's manufactured home and his or her pro rata portion of the real property of the park. No transfer of base year value shall be made by the assessor of that portion of land that does not constitute a part of the original property, as provided in paragraph (4) of subdivision (g).
- (B) If the manufactured home or the manufactured home and the land on which it is situated constitutes the claimant's replacement dwelling, the assessor shall transfer the base year value of the claimant's original property either to the manufactured home or the manufactured home and the land on which it is situated, as appropriate. If the manufactured home dwelling that constitutes the replacement dwelling of the claimant includes an interest in a resident-owned mobilehome park, the assessor shall transfer the base year value of the claimant's original property to the manufactured home of

the claimant and his or her pro rata portion of the park. No transfer of base year value shall be made by the assessor to that portion of land that does not constitute a part of the replacement dwelling, as provided in paragraph (3) of subdivision (g).

This subdivision shall be subject to the limitations specified in subdivision (d).

- (d) The property tax relief provided by this section shall be available to a claimant who is the coowner of the original property, as a joint tenant, a tenant in common, a community property owner, or a present beneficiary of a trust subject to the following limitations:
- (1) If a single replacement dwelling is purchased or newly constructed by all of the coowners and each coowner retains an interest in the replacement dwelling, the claimant shall be eligible under this section whether or not any or all of the remaining coowners would otherwise be eligible claimants.
- (2) If two or more replacement dwellings are separately purchased or newly constructed by two or more coowners and more than one coowner would otherwise be an eligible claimant, only one coowner shall be eligible under this section. These coowners shall determine by mutual agreement which one of them shall be deemed eligible.
- (3) If two or more replacement dwellings are separately purchased or newly constructed by two coowners who held the original property as community property, only the coowner who has attained the age of 55 years, or is severely and permanently disabled, shall be eligible under this section. If both spouses are over 55 years of age, they shall determine by mutual agreement which one of them is eligible.

In the case of coowners whose original property is a multiunit dwelling, the limitations imposed by paragraphs (2) and (3) shall only apply to coowners who occupied the same dwelling unit within the original property at the time specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b).

(e) Upon the sale of original property, the assessor shall determine a new base year value for that property in accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 110.1, whether or not a replacement

dwelling is subsequently purchased or newly constructed by the former owner or owners of the original property.

This section shall not apply unless the transfer of the original property is a change in ownership that either (1) subjects that property to reappraisal at its current fair market value in accordance with Section 110.1 or 5803 or (2) results in a base year value determined in accordance with this section, Section 69, or Section 69.3 because the property qualifies under this section, Section 69, or Section 69.3 as a replacement dwelling or property.

- (f) (1) A claimant shall not be eligible for the property tax relief provided by this section unless the claimant provides to the assessor, on a form that shall be designed by the State Board of Equalization and that the assessor shall make available upon request, the following information:
- (A) The name and social security number of each claimant and of any spouse of the claimant who is a record owner of the replacement dwelling.
- (B) Proof that the claimant or the claimant's spouse who resided on the original property with the claimant was, at the time of its sale, at least 55 years of age, or severely and permanently disabled. Proof of severe and permanent disability shall be considered a certification, signed by a licensed physician and surgeon of appropriate specialty, attesting to the claimant's severely and permanently disabled condition. In the absence of available proof that a person is over 55 years of age, the claimant shall certify under penalty of perjury that the age requirement is met. In the case of a severely and permanently disabled claimant either of the following shall be submitted:
- (i) A certification, signed by a licensed physician or surgeon of appropriate specialty that identifies specific reasons why the disability necessitates a move to the replacement dwelling and the disability-related requirements, including any locational requirements, of a replacement dwelling. The claimant shall substantiate that the replacement dwelling meets disability-related requirements so identified and that the primary reason for the move to the replacement dwelling is to satisfy those requirements. If the claimant, or the claimant's spouse or guardian, so declares under penalty of

perjury, it shall be rebuttably presumed that the primary purpose of the move to the replacement dwelling is to satisfy identified disability-related requirements.

- (ii) The claimant's substantiation that the primary purpose of the move to the replacement dwelling is to alleviate financial burdens caused by the disability. If the claimant, or the claimant's spouse or guardian, so declares under penalty of perjury, it shall be rebuttably presumed that the primary purpose of the move is to alleviate the financial burdens caused by the disability.
- (C) The address and, if known, the assessor's parcel number of the original property.
- (D) The date of the claimant's sale of the original property and the date of the claimant's purchase or new construction of a replacement dwelling.
- (E) A statement by the claimant that he or she occupied the replacement dwelling as his or her principal place of residence on the date of the filing of his or her claim.
- (F) Any claim under this section shall be filed within three years of the date the replacement dwelling was purchased or the new construction of the replacement dwelling was completed subject to subdivision (k) or (m).
- (2) A claim for transfer of base year value under this section that is filed after the expiration of the filing period set forth in subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) shall be considered by the assessor, subject to all of the following conditions:
- (A) Any base year value transfer granted pursuant to that claim shall apply commencing with the lien date of the assessment year in which the claim is filed.
- (B) The full cash value of the replacement property in the assessment year described in subparagraph (A) shall be the base year value of the real property in the assessment year in which the base year value was transferred, factored to the assessment year described in subparagraph (A) for both of the following:
- (i) Inflation as annually determined in accordance with paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 51.
- (ii) Any subsequent new construction occurring with respect to the subject real property that does not qualify for property tax relief pursuant to the criteria set forth

in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (4) of subdivision (h).

- (g) For purposes of this section:
- (1) "Person over the age of 55 years" means any person or the spouse of any person who has attained the age of 55 years or older at the time of the sale of the original property.
- (2) "Base year value of the original property" means its base year value, as determined in accordance with Section 110.1, with the adjustments permitted by subdivision (b) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and subdivision (f) of Section 110.1, determined as of the date immediately prior to the date that the original property is sold by the claimant, or in the case where the original property has been substantially damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity and the owner does not rebuild on the original property, determined as of the date immediately prior to the misfortune or calamity.

If the replacement dwelling is purchased or newly constructed after the transfer of the original property, "base year value of the original property" also includes any inflation factor adjustments permitted by subdivision (f) of Section 110.1 for the period subsequent to the sale of the original property. The base year or years used to compute the "base year value of the original property" shall be deemed to be the base year or years of any property to which that base year value is transferred pursuant to this section.

(3) "Replacement dwelling" means a building, structure, or other shelter constituting a place of abode, whether real property or personal property, that is owned and occupied by a claimant as his or her principal place of residence, and any land owned by the claimant on which the building, structure, or other shelter is situated. For purposes of this paragraph, land constituting a part of a replacement dwelling includes only that area of reasonable size that is used as a site for a residence, and "land owned by the claimant" includes land for which the claimant either holds a leasehold interest described in subdivision (c) of Section 61 or a land purchase contract. Each unit of a multiunit dwelling shall be considered a separate replacement dwelling. For

purposes of this paragraph, "area of reasonable size that is used as a site for a residence" includes all land if any nonresidential uses of the property are only incidental to the use of the property as a residential site. For purposes of this paragraph, "land owned by the claimant" includes an ownership interest in a resident-owned mobilehome park that is assessed pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 62.1.

- (4) "Original property" means a building, structure, or other shelter constituting a place of abode, whether real property or personal property, that is owned and occupied by a claimant as his or her principal place of residence, and any land owned by the claimant on which the building, structure, or other shelter is situated. For purposes of this paragraph, land constituting a part of the original property includes only that area of reasonable size that is used as a site for a residence, and "land owned by the claimant" includes land for which the claimant either holds a leasehold interest described in subdivision (c) of Section 61 or a land purchase contract. Each unit of a multiunit dwelling shall be considered a separate original property. For purposes of this paragraph, "area of reasonable size that is used as a site for a residence" includes all land if any nonresidential uses of the property are only incidental to the use of the property as a residential site. For purposes of this paragraph, "land owned by the claimant" includes an ownership interest in a resident-owned mobilehome park that is assessed pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 62.1.
- (5) "Equal or lesser value" means that the amount of the full cash value of a replacement dwelling does not exceed one of the following:
- (A) One hundred percent of the amount of the full cash value of the original property if the replacement dwelling is purchased or newly constructed prior to the date of the sale of the original property.
- (B) One hundred and five percent of the amount of the full cash value of the original property if the replacement dwelling is purchased or newly constructed within the first year following the date of the sale of the original property.
- (C) One hundred and ten percent of the amount of the full cash value of the original property if the replacement dwelling is purchased or newly constructed within

the second year following the date of the sale of the original property.

For the purposes of this paragraph, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (4) of subdivision (h), if the replacement dwelling is, in part, purchased and, in part, newly constructed, the date the "replacement dwelling is purchased or newly constructed" is the date of purchase or the date of completion of construction, whichever is later.

- (6) "Full cash value of the replacement dwelling" means its full cash value, determined in accordance with Section 110.1, as of the date on which it was purchased or new construction was completed, and after the purchase or the completion of new construction.
  - (7) "Full cash value of the original property" means, either:
- (A) Its new base year value, determined in accordance with subdivision (e), without the application of subdivision (h) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, plus the adjustments permitted by subdivision (b) of Section 2 of Article XIII A and subdivision (f) of Section 110.1 for the period from the date of its sale by the claimant to the date on which the replacement property was purchased or new construction was completed.
- (B) In the case where the original property has been substantially damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity and the owner does not rebuild on the original property, its full cash value, as determined in accordance with Section 110, immediately prior to its substantial damage or destruction by misfortune or calamity, as determined by the county assessor of the county in which the property is located, without the application of subdivision (h) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, plus the adjustments permitted by subdivision (b) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and subdivision (f) of Section 110.1, for the period from the date of its sale by the claimant to the date on which the replacement property was purchased or new construction was completed.
- (8) "Sale" means any change in ownership of the original property for consideration.

- (9) "Claimant" means any person claiming the property tax relief provided by this section. If a spouse of that person is a record owner of the replacement dwelling, the spouse is also a claimant for purposes of determining whether in any future claim filed by the spouse under this section the condition of eligibility specified in paragraph (7) of subdivision (b) has been met.
- (10) "Property that is eligible for the homeowners' exemption" includes property that is the principal place of residence of its owner and is entitled to exemption pursuant to Section 205.5.
- (11) "Person" means any individual, but does not include any firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, or other legal entity or organization of any kind. "Person" includes an individual who is the present beneficiary of a trust.
- (12) "Severely and permanently disabled" means any person described in subdivision (b) of Section 74.3.
- (13) For the purposes of this section, property is "substantially damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity" if either the land or the improvements sustain physical damage amounting to more than 50 percent of either the land's or the improvement's full cash value immediately prior to the misfortune or calamity. Damage includes a diminution in the value of property as a result of restricted access to the property where the restricted access was caused by the misfortune or calamity and is permanent in nature.
- (h) (1) Upon the timely filing of a claim described in subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (f), the assessor shall adjust the new base year value of the replacement dwelling in conformity with this section. This adjustment shall be made as of the latest of the following dates:
  - (A) The date the original property is sold.
  - (B) The date the replacement dwelling is purchased.
  - (C) The date the new construction of the replacement dwelling is completed.
- (2) Any taxes that were levied on the replacement dwelling prior to the filing of the claim on the basis of the replacement dwelling's new base year value, and any

allowable annual adjustments thereto, shall be canceled or refunded to the claimant to the extent that the taxes exceed the amount that would be due when determined on the basis of the adjusted new base year value.

- (3) Notwithstanding Section 75.10, Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 75) shall be utilized for purposes of implementing this subdivision, including adjustments of the new base year value of replacement dwellings acquired prior to the sale of the original property.
- (4) In the case where a claim under this section has been timely filed and granted, and new construction is performed upon the replacement dwelling subsequent to the transfer of base year value, the property tax relief provided by this section also shall apply to the replacement dwelling, as improved, and thus there shall be no reassessment upon completion of the new construction if both of the following conditions are met:
- (A) The new construction is completed within two years of the date of the sale of the original property and the owner notifies the assessor in writing of completion of the new construction within six months after completion.
- (B) The fair market value of the new construction on the date of completion, plus the full cash value of the replacement dwelling on the date of acquisition, is not more than the full cash value of the original property as determined pursuant to paragraph (7) of subdivision (g) for purposes of granting the original claim.
- (i) Any claimant may rescind a claim for the property tax relief provided by this section and shall not be considered to have received that relief for purposes of paragraph (7) of subdivision (b), and the assessor shall grant the rescission, if a written notice of rescission is delivered to the office of the assessor as follows:
- (1) A written notice of rescission signed by the original filing claimant or claimants is delivered to the office of the assessor in which the original claim was filed.
- (2) (A) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, the notice of rescission is delivered to the office of the assessor before the date that the county first issues, as a result of relief granted under this section, a refund check for property taxes imposed upon the replacement dwelling. If granting relief will not result in a refund of property

taxes, then the notice shall be delivered before payment is first made of any property taxes, or any portion thereof, imposed upon the replacement dwelling consistent with relief granted under this section. If payment of the taxes is not made, then notice shall be delivered before the first date that those property taxes, or any portion thereof, imposed upon the replacement dwelling, consistent with relief granted under this section, are delinquent.

- (B) Notwithstanding any other provision in this division, any time the notice of rescission is delivered to the office of the assessor within six years after relief was granted, provided that the replacement property has been vacated as the claimant's principal place of residence within 90 days after the original claim was filed, regardless of whether the property continues to receive the homeowners' exemption. If the rescission increases the base year value of a property, or the homeowners' exemption has been incorrectly allowed, appropriate escape assessments or supplemental assessments, including interest as provided in Section 506, shall be imposed. The limitations periods for any escape assessments or supplemental assessments shall not commence until July 1 of the assessment year in which the notice of rescission is delivered to the office of the assessor.
- (3) The notice is accompanied by the payment of a fee as the assessor may require, provided that the fee shall not exceed an amount reasonably related to the estimated cost of processing a rescission claim, including both direct costs and developmental and indirect costs, such as costs for overhead, personnel, supplies, materials, office space, and computers.
- (j) (1) With respect to the transfer of base year value of original properties to replacement dwellings located in the same county, this section, except as provided in paragraph (3) or (4), shall apply to any replacement dwelling that is purchased or newly constructed on or after November 6, 1986.
- (2) With respect to the transfer of base year value of original properties to replacement dwellings located in different counties, except as provided in paragraph (4), this section shall apply to any replacement dwelling that is purchased or newly

constructed on or after the date specified in accordance with subparagraph (E) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) in the ordinance of the county in which the replacement dwelling is located, but shall not apply to any replacement dwelling which was purchased or newly constructed before November 9, 1988.

- (3) With respect to the transfer of base year value by a severely and permanently disabled person, this section shall apply only to replacement dwellings that are purchased or newly constructed on or after June 6, 1990.
- (4) The amendments made to subdivision (e) by the act adding this paragraph shall apply only to replacement dwellings under Section 69 that are acquired or newly constructed on or after October 20, 1991, and shall apply commencing with the 1991–92 fiscal year.
- (k) (1) In the case in which a county adopts an ordinance pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) that establishes an applicable date which is more than three years prior to the date of adoption of the ordinance, those potential claimants who purchased or constructed replacement dwellings more than three years prior to the date of adoption of the ordinance and who would, therefore, be precluded from filing a timely claim, shall be deemed to have timely filed a claim if the claim is filed within three years after the date that the ordinance is adopted. This paragraph may not be construed as a waiver of any other requirement of this section.
- (2) In the case in which a county assessor corrects a base year value to reflect a pro rata change in ownership of a resident-owned mobilehome park that occurred between January 1, 1989, and January 1, 2002, pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (b) of Section 62.1, those claimants who purchased or constructed replacement dwellings more than three years prior to the correction and who would, therefore, be precluded from filing a timely claim, shall be deemed to have timely filed a claim if the claim is filed within three years of the date of notice of the correction of the base year value to reflect the pro rata change in ownership. This paragraph may not be construed as a waiver of any other requirement of this section.
  - (3) This subdivision does not apply to a claimant who has transferred his or her

replacement dwelling prior to filing a claim.

- (4) The property tax relief provided by this section, but filed under this subdivision, shall apply prospectively only, commencing with the lien date of the assessment year in which the claim is filed. There shall be no refund or cancellation of taxes prior to the date that the claim is filed.
- (*l*) No escape assessment may be levied if a transfer of base year value under this section has been erroneously granted by the assessor pursuant to an expired ordinance authorizing intercounty transfers of base year value.
- (m) (1) The amendments made to subdivisions (b) and (g) of this section by Chapter 613 of the Statutes of 2001 shall apply:
- (A) With respect to the transfer of base year value of original properties to replacement dwellings located in the same county, to any replacement dwelling that is purchased or newly constructed on or after November 6, 1986.
- (B) With respect to the transfer of base year value of original properties to replacement dwellings located in different counties, to any replacement dwelling that is purchased or newly constructed on or after the date specified in accordance with subparagraph (E) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) in the ordinance of the county in which the replacement dwelling is located, but not to any replacement dwelling that was purchased or newly constructed before November 9, 1988.
- (C) With respect to the transfer of base year value by a severely and permanently disabled person, to replacement dwellings that are purchased or newly constructed on or after June 6, 1990.
- (2) The property tax relief provided by this section in accordance with this subdivision shall apply prospectively only commencing with the lien date of the assessment year in which the claim is filed. There shall be no refund or cancellation of taxes prior to the date that the claim is filed.
- (n) A claim filed under this section is not a public document and is not subject to public inspection, except that a claim shall be available for inspection by the claimant or the claimant's spouse, the claimant's or the claimant's spouse's legal representative,

the trustee of a trust in which the claimant or the claimant's spouse is a present beneficiary, and the executor or administrator of the claimant's or the claimant's spouse's estate.

- (o) The amendments made to this section by the act adding this subdivision shall apply commencing with the lien date for the 2012–13 fiscal year.
- (p) This section shall remain effect only until January 1, 2019, and as of that date is repealed.
- SECTION 4. Section 69.5 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:
- 69.5. (a) (1) Notwithstanding any other law, pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, the base year value of property that is eligible for the homeowners' exemption under subdivision (k) of Section 3 of Article XIII of the California Constitution and Section 218 of any person over 55 years of age or any severely disabled person, subject to the procedures provided in this section, shall be transferred to any replacement dwelling, regardless of the value of the replacement dwelling or whether the replacement dwelling is located within the same county, that is purchased or newly constructed by that person as his or her principal residence within two years of the sale by that person of the original property, provided that the base year value of the original property shall not be transferred to the replacement dwelling until the original property is sold.
- (2) For purposes of calculating the base year value of a replacement dwelling, the following shall apply:
- (A) For any replacement dwelling of greater value and purchased or newly constructed by a person eligible to transfer the base year value of his or her original property within two years of the sale of the original property, the base year value of the replacement dwelling shall be calculated by adding the difference between the full cash value of the original property and the full cash value of the replacement dwelling to the base year value of the original property.
- (B) For any replacement dwelling of equal or lesser value purchased or newly constructed by a person eligible to transfer the base year value of his or her original

property within two years of the sale of the original property, the base year value of the replacement dwelling shall be calculated by dividing the base year value of the original property by the full cash value of the original property, and multiplying the result by the full cash value of the replacement dwelling.

- (b) In addition to meeting the requirements of subdivision (a), any person entitled to the property tax relief provided by this section shall be eligible for that relief only if the following conditions are met:
- (1) The person is an owner and a resident of the original property either at the time of its sale, or at the time when the original property was substantially damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity, or within two years of the purchase or new construction of the replacement dwelling.
- (2) The original property is eligible for the homeowners' exemption, as the result of the person's ownership and occupation of the property as his or her principal residence, either at the time of its sale, or at the time when the original property was substantially damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity, or within two years of the purchase or new construction of the replacement dwelling.
- (3) At the time of the sale of the original property, the person or his or her spouse who resides with the person is at least 55 years of age, or is severely and permanently disabled.
- (4) At the time of filing for the property tax relief provided by subdivision (a), the person is an owner of a replacement dwelling and occupies it as his or her principal place of residence and, as a result thereof, the property is currently eligible for the homeowners' exemption or would be eligible for the exemption except that the property is already receiving the exemption because of an exemption filed by the previous owner.
- (5) The original property of the person is sold by him or her within two years of the purchase or new construction of the replacement dwelling. For purposes of this paragraph, the purchase or new construction of the replacement dwelling includes the purchase of that portion of land on which the replacement building, structure, or other

shelter constituting a place of abode of the person will be situated and that, pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (g), constitutes a part of the replacement dwelling.

- (c) (1) The property tax relief provided by this section shall be available if the original property or the replacement dwelling, or both, of the person includes, but is not limited to, either of the following:
- (A) A unit or lot within a cooperative housing corporation, a community apartment project, a condominium project, or a planned unit development. If the unit or lot constitutes the original property of the person, the assessor shall transfer to the person's replacement dwelling only the base year value of the person's unit or lot and his or her share in any common area reserved as an appurtenance of that unit or lot. If the unit or lot constitutes the replacement dwelling of the person, the assessor shall transfer the base year value of the person's original property only to the unit or lot of the claimant and any share of the person in any common area reserved as an appurtenance of that unit or lot.
- (B) A manufactured home or a manufactured home and any land owned by the person on which the manufactured home is situated. For purposes of this paragraph, "land owned by the person" includes a pro rata interest in a resident-owned mobilehome park that is assessed pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 62.1.
- (i) If the manufactured home or the manufactured home and the land on which it is situated constitutes the person's original property, the assessor shall transfer to the person's replacement dwelling either the base year value of the manufactured home or the base year value of the manufactured home and the land on which it is situated, as appropriate. If the manufactured home dwelling that constitutes the original property of the person includes an interest in a resident-owned mobilehome park, the assessor shall transfer to the person's replacement dwelling the base year value of the person's manufactured home and his or her pro rata portion of the real property of the park. No transfer of base year value shall be made by the assessor of that portion of land that does not constitute a part of the original property, as provided in paragraph (4) of subdivision (g).

- (ii) If the manufactured home or the manufactured home and the land on which it is situated constitutes the claimant's replacement dwelling, the assessor shall transfer the base year value of the claimant's original property either to the manufactured home or the manufactured home and the land on which it is situated, as appropriate. If the manufactured home dwelling that constitutes the replacement dwelling of the claimant includes an interest in a resident-owned mobilehome park, the assessor shall transfer the base year value of the claimant's original property to the manufactured home of the claimant and his or her pro rata portion of the park. No transfer of base year value shall be made by the assessor to that portion of land that does not constitute a part of the replacement dwelling, as provided in paragraph (3) of subdivision (g).
- (2) This subdivision shall be subject to the limitations specified in subdivision (d).
- (d) The property tax relief provided by this section shall be available to a person who is the coowner of the original property, as a joint tenant, a tenant in common, a community property owner, or a present beneficiary of a trust subject to the following limitations:
- (1) If a single replacement dwelling is purchased or newly constructed by all of the coowners and each coowner retains an interest in the replacement dwelling, the person filing for the transfer of base year value shall be eligible under this section whether or not any or all of the remaining coowners would otherwise be eligible.
- (2) If two or more replacement dwellings are separately purchased or newly constructed by two or more coowners and more than one coowner would otherwise be eligible to transfer base year value pursuant to this section, all coowners shall have the base year value of the original property transferred to any replacement dwelling in proportion to their ownership interest in the original property.
- (3) If two or more replacement dwellings are separately purchased or newly constructed by two coowners who held the original property as community property, only the coowner who has attained 55 years of age, or is severely and permanently disabled, shall be eligible under this section. If both spouses are over 55 years of age,

the base year value of the original property shall be transferred to any replacement dwelling in proportion to their ownership interest in the original property.

- (4) In the case of coowners whose original property is a multiunit dwelling, the limitations imposed by paragraphs (2) and (3) shall only apply to coowners who occupied the same dwelling unit within the original property at the time specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b).
- (e) Upon the sale of original property, the assessor shall determine a new base year value for that property in accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 110.1, whether or not a replacement dwelling is subsequently purchased or newly constructed by the former owner or owners of the original property. This section shall not apply unless the transfer of the original property is a change in ownership that either (1) subjects that property to reappraisal at its current fair market value in accordance with Section 110.1 or 5803 or (2) results in a base year value determined in accordance with this section, Section 69, or Section 69.3 because the property qualifies under this section, Section 69, or Section 69.3 as a replacement dwelling or property.
- (f) (1) A person entitled the property tax relief provided by this section shall provide to the assessor, on a form that shall be designed by the State Board of Equalization and that the assessor shall make available upon purchase of the replacement dwelling at the time in which the replacement dwelling would ordinarily be subject to reappraisal at its current fair market value, the following information:
- (A) The name and social security number of each person who resides at the property and who is eligible for the homeowner's exemption.
- (B) Proof that the person or his or her spouse who resided on the original property with the person was, at the time of its sale, at least 55 years of age, or severely and permanently disabled. Proof of severe and permanent disability shall be considered a certification, signed by a licensed physician and surgeon of appropriate specialty, attesting to the claimant's severely and permanently disabled condition. In the absence of available proof that a person is over 55 years of age, the person shall certify under

penalty of perjury that the age requirement is met. In the case of a severely and permanently disabled person either of the following shall be submitted:

- (i) A certification, signed by a licensed physician or surgeon of appropriate specialty that identifies specific reasons why the disability necessitates a move to the replacement dwelling and the disability-related requirements, including any locational requirements, of a replacement dwelling. The person shall substantiate that the replacement dwelling meets disability-related requirements so identified and that the primary reason for the move to the replacement dwelling is to satisfy those requirements. If the person, or his or her spouse or guardian, so declares under penalty of perjury, it shall be rebuttably presumed that the primary purpose of the move to the replacement dwelling is to satisfy identified disability-related requirements.
- (ii) The person's substantiation that the primary purpose of the move to the replacement dwelling is to alleviate financial burdens caused by the disability. If the person, or his or her spouse or guardian, so declares under penalty of perjury, it shall be rebuttably presumed that the primary purpose of the move is to alleviate the financial burdens caused by the disability.
- (C) The address and, if known, the assessor's parcel number of the original property.
- (D) The date of the sale of the person's original property and the date of the purchase or new construction of a replacement dwelling.
- (E) A statement by the person that he or she occupied the replacement dwelling as his or her principal place of residence on the date of the filing of his or her claim.
- (2) The form required by this subdivision shall be filed within three years of the date the replacement dwelling was purchased or the new construction of the replacement dwelling was completed. Any form filed after the expiration of the filing period set forth in this paragraph shall be considered by the assessor, subject to all of the following conditions:
- (A) Any base year value transfer granted pursuant to that filing shall apply commencing with the lien date of the assessment year in which the form is filed.

- (B) The full cash value of the replacement property in the assessment year described in subparagraph (A) shall be the base year value of the real property in the assessment year in which the base year value was transferred, factored to the assessment year described in subparagraph (A) for both of the following:
- (i) Inflation as annually determined in accordance with paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 51.
- (ii) Any subsequent new construction occurring with respect to the subject real property that does not qualify for property tax relief pursuant to the criteria set forth in paragraph (4) of subdivision (h).
  - (g) For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:
- (1) "Person over 55 years of age" means any person or the spouse of any person who has attained 55 years of age or older at the time of the sale of the original property.
- (2) (A) "Base year value of the original property" means its base year value, as determined in accordance with Section 110.1, with the adjustments permitted by subdivision (b) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and subdivision (f) of Section 110.1, determined as of the date immediately prior to the date that the original property is sold by the claimant, or in the case where the original property has been substantially damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity and the owner does not rebuild on the original property, determined as of the date immediately prior to the misfortune or calamity.
- (B) If the replacement dwelling is purchased or newly constructed after the transfer of the original property, "base year value of the original property" also includes any inflation factor adjustments permitted by subdivision (f) of Section 110.1 for the period subsequent to the sale of the original property. The base year or years used to compute the "base year value of the original property" shall be deemed to be the base year or years of any property to which that base year value is transferred pursuant to this section.
- (3) "Replacement dwelling" means a building, structure, or other shelter constituting a place of abode, whether real property or personal property, that is owned

and occupied by a person as his or her principal place of residence, and any land owned by the person on which the building, structure, or other shelter is situated. For purposes of this paragraph, land constituting a part of a replacement dwelling includes only that area of reasonable size that is used as a site for a residence, and "land owned by the person" includes land for which the person either holds a leasehold interest described in subdivision (c) of Section 61 or a land purchase contract. Each unit of a multiunit dwelling shall be considered a separate replacement dwelling. For purposes of this paragraph, "area of reasonable size that is used as a site for a residence" includes all land if any nonresidential uses of the property are only incidental to the use of the property as a residential site. For purposes of this paragraph, "land owned by the person" includes an ownership interest in a resident-owned mobilehome park that is assessed pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 62.1.

- (4) "Original property" means a building, structure, or other shelter constituting a place of abode, whether real property or personal property, that is owned and occupied by a person as his or her principal place of residence, and any land owned by the person on which the building, structure, or other shelter is situated. For purposes of this paragraph, land constituting a part of the original property includes only that area of reasonable size that is used as a site for a residence, and "land owned by the person" includes land for which the person either holds a leasehold interest described in subdivision (c) of Section 61 or a land purchase contract. Each unit of a multiunit dwelling shall be considered a separate original property. For purposes of this paragraph, "area of reasonable size that is used as a site for a residence" includes all land if any nonresidential uses of the property are only incidental to the use of the property as a residential site. For purposes of this paragraph, "land owned by the person" includes an ownership interest in a resident-owned mobilehome park that is assessed pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 62.1.
- (5) "Full cash value of the replacement dwelling" means its full cash value, determined in accordance with Section 110.1, as of the date on which it was purchased or new construction was completed, and after the purchase or the completion of new

construction.

- (6) "Full cash value of the original property" means, either:
- (A) Its new base year value, determined in accordance with subdivision (e), without the application of subdivision (h) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, plus the adjustments permitted by subdivision (b) of Section 2 of Article XIII A and subdivision (f) of Section 110.1 for the period from the date of its sale by the person to the date on which the replacement property was purchased or new construction was completed.
- (B) In the case where the original property has been substantially damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity and the owner does not rebuild on the original property, its full cash value, as determined in accordance with Section 110, immediately prior to its substantial damage or destruction by misfortune or calamity, as determined by the county assessor of the county in which the property is located, without the application of subdivision (h) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, plus the adjustments permitted by subdivision (b) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and subdivision (f) of Section 110.1, for the period from the date of its sale by the person to the date on which the replacement property was purchased or new construction was completed.
- (7) "Sale" means any change in ownership of the original property for consideration.
- (8) "Person" means any individual, but not any firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, or other legal entity or organization of any kind, who files for the property tax relief provided by this section. "Person" includes an individual who is the present beneficiary of a trust.
- (9) "Property that is eligible for the homeowners' exemption" includes property that is the principal place of residence of its owner and is entitled to exemption pursuant to Section 205.5.
- (10) Property is "substantially damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity" if either the land or the improvements sustain physical damage amounting to more than

50 percent of either the land's or the improvement's full cash value immediately prior to the misfortune or calamity. Damage includes a diminution in the value of property as a result of restricted access to the property where the restricted access was caused by the misfortune or calamity and is permanent in nature.

- (h) (1) Upon the timely filing of a form, as described in subdivision (f), the assessor shall adjust the new base year value of the replacement dwelling in conformity with this section. This adjustment shall be made as of the latest of the following dates:
  - (A) The date the original property is sold.
  - (B) The date the replacement dwelling is purchased.
  - (C) The date the new construction of the replacement dwelling is completed.
- (2) Any taxes that were levied on the replacement dwelling prior to the filing for the property tax relief provided by this section on the basis of the replacement dwelling's new base year value, and any allowable annual adjustments to that new base year value, shall be canceled or refunded to the person to the extent that the taxes exceed the amount that would be due when determined on the basis of the adjusted new base year value.
- (3) Notwithstanding Section 75.10, Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 75) shall be utilized for purposes of implementing this subdivision, including adjustments of the new base year value of replacement dwellings acquired prior to the sale of the original property.
- (4) In the case where a form under this section has been timely filed, and new construction is performed upon the replacement dwelling subsequent to the transfer of base year value, the property tax relief provided by this section also shall apply to the replacement dwelling, as improved, and thus there shall be no reassessment upon completion of the new construction if the new construction is completed within two years of the date of the sale of the original property and the owner notifies the assessor in writing of completion of the new construction within six months after completion
- (i) With respect to the transfer of the base year value of original properties to replacement dwellings, this section shall apply to any replacement dwelling that is

purchased or newly constructed on or after January 1, 2019.

- (j) A form filed under this section is not a public document and is not subject to public inspection, except that the form shall be available for inspection by the person or his or her spouse, the person's or his or her spouse's legal representative, the trustee of a trust in which the person or his or her spouse is a present beneficiary, and the executor or administrator of the person's or his or her spouse's estate.
- (k) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2019.

  SECTION 5. The statutory provisions of this measure may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members of each house of the Legislature and signed by the Governor so long as the amendments are consistent with and further the intent of this act.

  SECTION 6. The provisions of this act are severable. If any provision of this act or its application is held invalid, that invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.