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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2001–02 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 656

Introduced by Assembly Member Chan
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Aroner and Dutra)
(Coauthors: Senators Figueroa and Perata)

February 22, 2001

An act to add Sections 130063.1 and 130063.2 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to health facilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 656, as amended, Chan. Health facilities: seismic safety requirements.

Under the Alfred E. Alquist Hospital Facilities Seismic Safety Act of 1983, after January 1, 2008, general acute care hospital buildings that are determined to pose certain risks are required to be improved or only used for nonacute care hospital service, and after January 1, 2030, all acute care inpatient hospital buildings that are not in substantial compliance with certain seismic safety regulations and standards developed by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development are required to be demolished, replaced, or changed to nonacute use or seismically retrofitted so that they are in substantial compliance.

Existing law authorizes any hospital, with regard to a general acute care hospital building located in Seismic Zone 3, to request an exemption from Non-structural Performance Category-3 requirements

provided by regulation, if the hospital building complies with certain year 2002 nonstructural requirements provided by regulation.

This bill would ~~provide that~~ *authorize, for a county-owned general acute care hospital building is deemed to have met, an extension of the Non-structural Performance Category-2 requirements provided by regulation if the building county complies with certain conditions, and may operate for up to one year beyond specifically would authorize such a building to receive a one-year extension of the January 1, 2002, deadline for Non-structural Performance Category-2 requirements if the existing hospital building is removed from general acute care service and the construction of a specified replacement facility will meet certain commencement and completion deadlines building is completed by January 1, 2003.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 130063.1 is added to the Health and
2 Safety Code, to read:

3 130063.1. Notwithstanding Section 130063, a county-owned
4 general acute care hospital building ~~shall be deemed to have met~~
5 *is allowed an extension of the Non-structural Performance*
6 *Category-2 requirements of Title 24 of the California Code of*
7 *Regulations if it has met the compliance plan deadline of January*
8 *1, 2001, and if it complies all of the following conditions are met:*

9 (a) *The county submitted the compliance plan on or before*
10 *January 1, 2001.*

11 (b) *The county submitted the Non-structural Performance*
12 *Category-2 building plans to the Office of Statewide Health*
13 *Planning and Development on or before September 1, 2001.*

14 (c) *The county complies with the year 2002 nonstructural*
15 *requirements established by regulation 12 months after receipt of*
16 *the building permit approval letter by from the Office of Statewide*
17 *Health Planning and Development.*

18 SEC. 2. Section 130063.2 is added to the Health and Safety
19 Code, to read:

20 130063.2. Notwithstanding Section 130063, an *existing*
21 *county-owned general acute care hospital building may continue*
22 *to operate for up to one year beyond the January 1, 2002, receive*



1 *a one-year extension of the January 1, 2002, deadline for the*
2 *Non-structural Performance Category-2 requirements in Title 24*
3 *of the California Code of Regulations if construction of a*
4 *replacement facility that will meet the 2030 nonstructural and*
5 *structural deadline requirements has commenced by January 1,*
6 *2001, and will be completed by January 1, 2003. Code of*
7 *Regulations if all of the following conditions are met:*

8 *(a) The existing hospital building is removed from general*
9 *acute care service on or before January 1, 2003.*

10 *(b) Construction of the replacement building that will meet the*
11 *2030 nonstructural and structural deadline requirements, which*
12 *commenced before January 1, 2001, is completed by January 1,*
13 *2003.*

