

## Assembly Bill No. 1245

### CHAPTER 553

An act to amend Section 6523 of the Government Code, relating to local agencies.

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#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1245, Wolk. West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency.

Existing law authorizes a joint powers entity created pursuant to an agreement entered into by the City of West Sacramento and specified reclamation districts to exercise the authority granted to reclamation districts under specified provisions of law.

This bill additionally would grant the joint powers entity the authority to accomplish the purposes and projects necessary to achieve and maintain at least a 200-year level of flood protection and, prior to January 1, 2009, to issue debt to finance those purposes and projects and thereafter continue to levy special assessments to repay that indebtedness, as specified.

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

SECTION 1. Section 6523 of the Government Code is amended to read:

6523. (a) The West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, a joint powers entity that is created pursuant to an agreement entered into, in accordance with this article, by the City of West Sacramento, Reclamation District No. 537, and Reclamation District No. 900 is granted the authority to accomplish the purposes and projects necessary to achieve and maintain at least a 200-year level of flood protection, and may exercise the authority granted to reclamation districts under Part 7 (commencing with Section 51200) and Part 8 (commencing with Section 52100) of Division 15 of the Water Code for the purposes of Sections 12670.2, 12670.3, and 12670.4 of the Water Code.

(b) Prior to January 1, 2009, the agency may create indebtedness and thereafter continue to levy special assessments to repay that indebtedness for the purposes described in subdivision (a), pursuant to any of the following provisions:

(1) The Improvement Act of 1911 (Division 7 (commencing with Section 5000) of the Streets and Highways Code).

(2) The Municipal Improvement Act of 1913 (Division 12 (commencing with Section 1000) of the Streets and Highways Code).

SEC. 2. It is the intent of the Legislature in amending Section 6523 of the Government Code pursuant to Section 1 of this act, that the West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency consider and evaluate other governance structures.

SEC. 3. Due to the unique circumstances with regard to the high degree of intergovernmental cooperation required among federal, state, and local agencies for flood control programs and projects financed by the West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, the Legislature hereby finds and declares that a general statute cannot be made applicable within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution. Therefore, the special legislation contained in Section 1 of this act is necessarily applicable only to the West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency.