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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007—08 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2013

Introduced by Assembly Member Krekorian

February 15, 2008

An act to add Chapter 4.7 (commencing with Section 18944.45) to Part 2.5 of Division 13 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to buildings.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2013, as amended, Krekorian. New construction: water-permeable pavement.

The California Building Standards Law requires any building standard adopted or proposed by a state agency to be submitted to, and approved or adopted by, the California Building Standards Commission prior to codification.

The State Housing Law requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to submit to the commission proposed building standards for hotels, motels, lodging houses, apartment houses, and dwellings.

This bill would authorize the use of water-permeable pavement, as defined, for exterior paved surfaces in any new construction for which a building permit is issued on or after January 1, 2012, if specified conditions are met. ~~The bill would provide that when a construction project utilizes water-permeable pavement rather than impermeable pavement, the State Water Resources Control Board or a regional water~~

quality control board, as applicable, shall waive the fee for issuing a specified storm water permit in connection with that project.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 4.7 (commencing with Section 18944.45)
2 is added to Part 2.5 of Division 13 of the Health and Safety Code,
3 to read:

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5 CHAPTER 4.7. WATER-PERMEABLE PAVEMENT
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7 18944.45. For the purposes of this chapter, “water-permeable
8 pavement” means an engineered pavement that avoids or
9 substantially reduces water run-off and its related pollution to a
10 storm drain system and allows a percolation rate of at least 10
11 inches of water per day. Water permeable pavement, includes, but
12 is not limited to, pervious concrete, permeable interlocking concrete
13 pavers, concrete grid pavers, and porous asphalt.

14 18944.46. The Legislature finds and declares all of the
15 following:

16 (a) The use of water-permeable pavement reduces urban water
17 runoff, thereby reducing the amount of toxics and contaminants
18 that enter waterways.

19 (b) The use of water-permeable pavement reduces the impact
20 of urban heat island effect.

21 (c) Water-permeable pavement is designed to handle direct
22 rainfall as well as diverted rainfall from adjacent impervious
23 structures, including roofs, thereby reducing the risk of urban
24 flooding.

25 18944.47. (a) Subject to the requirements of this chapter,
26 water-permeable pavement may be used for any construction of
27 exterior paved surfaces, including, but not limited to, walkways,
28 patios, pedestrian and bike paths, parking areas, and streets with
29 low traffic volume, but shall not be used in enclosed garages.

30 (b) Construction using water-permeable pavement shall be
31 designed and engineered to each specific application so that its
32 use results in cost savings compared to use of impermeable

1 pavement and required storm water control systems, including
2 storm water pollution prevention systems and filtration systems.

3 ~~18944.48. When a construction project utilizes water-permeable~~
4 ~~pavement rather than impermeable pavement as authorized by this~~
5 ~~chapter, the State Water Resources Control Board or a regional~~
6 ~~water quality control board, as applicable, shall waive the fee for~~
7 ~~issuing a storm water national pollutant discharge elimination~~
8 ~~system (NPDES) permit in connection with that project.~~

9 ~~18944.49.~~

10 *18944.48.* This chapter applies only to new construction for
11 which a building permit is issued on or after January 1, 2012.

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