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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 27**

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**Introduced by Senator Simitian**  
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Wolk)

December 4, 2006

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An act to add and repeal Section 12994.5 of the Water Code, relating to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 27, as amended, Simitian. Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Emergency Preparedness Act of 2008.

Existing law prescribes the duties of the Office of Emergency Services in planning and coordinating disaster mitigation and response efforts in the state.

This bill would require the Office of Emergency Services, upon receipt of appropriate funding, to establish, until January 1, 2011, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Multi-Hazard Coordination Task Force, which would be led by the office, and include the Delta Protection

Commission, the Department of Water Resources, and a single representative from each of the 5 delta counties. The task force would be required to make recommendations to the office relating to the creation of an interagency unified command system organizational framework, coordinate the development of a draft emergency preparedness and response strategy for the delta region, and develop and conduct an all-hazard emergency response exercise in the delta. The task force would *be required to submit a report with its strategy and recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor prior to January 1, 2011, and cease-existence to exist on or before January 1, 2011.*

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. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the  
2 Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Emergency Preparedness Act of  
3 2008.

4 SEC. 2. The Legislature intends that a local government entity  
5 should not forfeit existing powers or resources, but should work  
6 cooperatively with the Office of Emergency Services, the Delta  
7 Protection Commission, and the Department of Water Resources,  
8 to coordinate state and local emergency responses in the  
9 Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

10 SEC. 3. Section 12994.5 is added to the Water Code, to read:  
11 12994.5. (a) The Office of Emergency Services shall establish  
12 the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Multi-Hazard Coordination  
13 Task Force, upon funding being made available to the Office of  
14 Emergency Services for that purpose.

15 (b) The task force shall be led by the Office of Emergency  
16 Services, and shall include the Delta Protection Commission, the  
17 department, and a single representative from each of the five-~~delta~~  
18 *Delta* counties.

19 (c) The task force shall do all of the following:

20 (1) Make recommendations to the Office of Emergency Services  
21 relating to the creation of an interagency unified command system  
22 organizational framework, in accordance with the guidelines of  
23 the National Incident Management System and the Standardized  
24 Emergency Management System.

1 (2) Coordinate the development of a draft emergency  
2 preparedness and response strategy for the ~~delta~~ *Delta* region, for  
3 submission to the Director of the Office of Emergency Services.  
4 Where possible, the strategy shall utilize existing interagency plans  
5 and planning processes of the involved jurisdictions and agencies  
6 that are members of the Delta Protection Commission.

7 (3) Develop and conduct an all-hazard emergency response  
8 exercise in the ~~delta~~ *Delta*, designed to test regional coordination  
9 protocols already in place.

10 (d) The task force shall ~~cease existence on~~ *submit a report with*  
11 *its strategy and recommendations to the Legislature and the*  
12 *Governor prior to January 1, 2011, and shall cease to exist on or*  
13 *before January 1, 2011.*

14 (e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2011,  
15 and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that  
16 is enacted before January 1, 2011, deletes or extends that date.