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SENATE BILL

No. 821

Introduced by Senator Kuehl

February 23, 2007

An act relating to land use.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 821, as amended, Kuehl. Land use: water supplies: report.

~~(1) Under~~

Under existing law, the Subdivision Map Act prohibits approval of a tentative map, or a parcel map for which a tentative map was not required, or a development agreement for a subdivision of property of more than 500 dwelling units, except as specified, including the design of the subdivision or the type of improvement, unless the legislative body of a city or county or the designated advisory agency provides written verification from the applicable public water system that a sufficient water supply is available or, in addition, a specified finding is made by the local agency that sufficient water supplies are, or will be, available prior to completion of the project. Under these provisions, "subdivision" means a proposed residential development of more than 500 dwelling units, except as specified.

This bill would require the California Research Bureau, on or before July 1, 2008, *in consultation with the State Clearinghouse in the Governor's Office of Planning and Research*, to prepare and provide to the Legislature *and to specified legislative committees* a report covering the 2004, 2005, and 2006 calendar years that includes certain

information relating to adequate water supplies for proposed residential developments.

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. (a) On or before July 1, 2008, the California
2 Research Bureau shall prepare and provide to the Legislature a
3 report covering the 2004, 2005, and 2006 calendar years that does
4 all of the following:
5 (1) Determines the number of subdivisions affected by Section
6 66473.7 of the Government Code.
7 (2) Determines the number of dwelling units affected by Section
8 66473.7 of the Government Code.
9 (3) Estimates the annual amount of water, in acre feet, consumed
10 by the dwelling units affected by Section 66473.7 of the
11 Government Code.
12 (4) Determines the number of subdivisions that would have
13 been affected by Section 66473.7 of the Government Code if the
14 definition of “subdivision” in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of
15 that section had referenced 250 dwelling units instead of 500
16 dwelling units.
17 (5) Determines the number of dwelling units that would have
18 been affected by Section 66473.7 of the Government Code if the
19 definition of “subdivision” in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of
20 that section had referenced 250 dwelling units instead of 500
21 dwelling units.
22 (6) Estimates the annual amount of water, in acre feet, consumed
23 by the dwelling units that would have been affected by Section
24 66473.7 of the Government Code if the definition of “subdivision”
25 in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of that section had referenced
26 250 dwelling units instead of 500 dwelling units.
27 (7) Estimates the number of projects, other than proposed
28 residential developments of more than 500 dwelling units, affected
29 by Section 10910 of the Water Code.
30 (8) Estimates the annual amount of water, in acre feet, consumed
31 by the projects, other than proposed residential developments of
32 more than 500 dwelling units, affected by Section 10910 of the
33 Water Code.

1 (9) Presents options for legislative consideration of any statutory
2 changes that the California Research Bureau believes to be
3 necessary or useful to Section 66473.7 of the Government Code,
4 Part 2.10 (commencing with Section 10910) of Division 6 of the
5 Water Code, or any other provision of law relating to water supply
6 planning or land use planning and development.

7 *(b) The California Research Bureau shall provide copies of the*
8 *report prepared pursuant to subdivision (a) to the chairs and vice*
9 *chairs of Subcommittee No. 2 of the Senate Committee on Budget*
10 *and Fiscal Review, the Senate Committee on Local Government,*
11 *and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Water.*

12 ~~(b)~~

13 *(c)* In preparing the report required pursuant to subdivision (a),
14 the California Research Bureau shall consult with the State
15 Clearinghouse in the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.
16 The California Research Bureau may consult with any other
17 federal, state, regional, or local agency, and with any organization,
18 institute, or association with expertise in water supply planning or
19 use planning and development.