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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 46

Introduced by Assembly Member Blakeslee

December 1, 2008

An act to amend ~~Section 25421~~ of Sections 25421 and 25449.4 of, and to add Section 25227 to, the Public Resources Code, relating to energy, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 46, as amended, Blakeslee. Energy: energy conservation assistance.

Existing

(1) Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to administer the State Energy Conservation Assistance Account, a continuously appropriated account, in the General Fund, until January 1, 2011, to provide grants and loans to local governments and public institutions to maximize energy use savings. All loans outstanding as of that date are required to continue to be repaid as specified until paid in full, and all unexpended funds in the account on and after that date, except as specified, are required to revert to the General Fund.

This bill would extend the operation of those provisions to January 1, 2015 2020, and would thereby make an appropriation by extending the time during which the funds in a continuously appropriated account are made available.

(2) Existing law establishes, until January 1, 2011, a financial assistance program that provides loans to local jurisdictions for energy projects, including to purchase, maintain, and evaluate energy efficient

equipment for existing or new facilities. Existing law establishes, until January 1, 2020, the Local Jurisdiction Energy Assistance Account in the General Fund for the purposes of the program and requires the funds to be disbursed by the Controller as authorized by the commission.

This bill would extend the financial assistance program and the Local Jurisdiction Energy Assistance Account to January 1, 2020.

(3) This bill would authorize the commission to receive and deposit funds from the federal government pursuant to the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 into the State Energy Conservation Assistance Account and the Local Jurisdiction Energy Assistance Account for expenditure as authorized by federal law, and would thereby make an appropriation by authorizing the depositing of moneys into a continuously appropriated account.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes.
 State-mandated local program: no.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 25227 is added to the Public Resources
 2 Code, to read:

3 25227. The commission may receive and deposit funds from
 4 the federal government pursuant to the federal American Recovery
 5 and Reinvestment Act of 2009 into the State Energy Conservation
 6 Assistance Account established pursuant to subdivision (a) of
 7 Section 25416 and the Local Jurisdiction Energy Assistance
 8 Account established pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 25449.3
 9 for expenditure as authorized by federal law.

10 SECTION 1.

11 SEC. 2. Section 25421 of the Public Resources Code is
 12 amended to read:

13 25421. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), this chapter
 14 shall remain in effect only until January 1, ~~2015~~ 2020, and as of
 15 that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which is enacted
 16 before January 1, ~~2015~~ 2020, deletes or extends that date.

17 (b) All loans outstanding as of January 1, ~~2015~~ 2020, shall
 18 continue to be repaid on a semiannual basis, as specified in Section
 19 25415, until paid in full. All unexpended funds in the State Energy
 20 Conservation Assistance Account on January 1, ~~2015~~ 2020, and
 21 thereafter, except to the extent those funds are encumbered pursuant
 22 to Section 25417.5, shall revert to the General Fund.

1 *SEC. 3. Section 25449.4 of the Public Resources Code is*
2 *amended to read:*

3 25449.4. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), this chapter
4 shall remain in effect until January 1, ~~2011~~ 2020, and as of that
5 date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute which is enacted
6 before January 1, ~~2011~~ 2020, deletes or extends that date.

7 (b) All loans outstanding as of January 1, ~~2011~~ 2020, shall
8 continue to be repaid in accordance with a schedule established
9 by the commission pursuant to Section 25442.7, until paid in full.
10 All unexpended funds in the Local Jurisdiction Energy Assistance
11 Account on January 1, ~~2011~~ 2020, and thereafter, except to the
12 extent that those funds are encumbered pursuant to Section
13 25443.5, shall be deposited in the Federal Trust Fund and be
14 available for the purposes for which federal oil overcharge funds
15 are available pursuant to court judgment or federal agency order.

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