

Assembly Bill No. 552

CHAPTER 22

An act to amend Sections 15819.40, 15819.401, 15819.41, and 15819.411 of the Government Code, and to amend Section 7021 of the Penal Code, relating to correctional facilities, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 552, Solorio. Correctional facilities.

Existing law, the Public Safety and Offender Rehabilitation Services Act of 2007, authorizes certain revenue bond construction of prison facilities. The act, among other things, authorizes the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to design, construct, or renovate prison housing units, prison support buildings, and programming space in order to add new beds at existing adult correctional facilities. It also authorizes the department to construct and establish new buildings at existing facilities under the jurisdiction of the department to provide medical, dental, and mental health treatment or housing, as specified.

This bill would additionally authorize the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to develop beds and treatment space to serve inmates requiring mental health or medical services. The bill would provide that any beds developed with a medical or mental health purpose shall be supported with rehabilitative programming, as defined, that is consistent with the medical or mental health services required by the inmates. The bill would authorize the department, in addition to designing and constructing new buildings at existing facilities for medical, dental, and mental health treatment, to renovate existing buildings at existing facilities for medical, dental, and mental health treatment as well as to design, construct, or renovate any ancillary improvements, as specified. The bill would also make changes regarding the calculation of design-build project augmentations from these funds.

Because this bill would authorize different uses of continuously appropriated bond moneys, it would make an appropriation.

Although existing law allows the State Public Works Board to issue revenue bonds, negotiable notes, or negotiable bond anticipation notes for the purposes above, it forbids the board to release specified funds until a 3-member panel, composed as specified, certifies that certain conditions have been met.

This bill would alter one of those conditions.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Appropriation: yes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 15819.40 of the Government Code is amended to read:

15819.40. (a) (1) (A) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation may design, construct, or renovate housing units, support buildings, and programming space in order to add up to 12,000 beds at facilities under its jurisdiction. The department shall complete site assessments at facilities at which it intends to construct or renovate additional housing units, support buildings, and programming space. The department may use the funding provided in Section 28 of Chapter 7 of the Statutes of 2007 to complete these site assessments. After completing these site assessments, the department shall define the scope and cost of each project pursuant to subdivision (d).

(B) The authority contained in subparagraph (A) may be used to develop new beds including appropriate programmatic space pursuant to paragraph (2) and, together with the funds appropriated in Section 15819.403 for this purpose, shall constitute the scope of a single capital outlay project for purposes of calculating augmentations pursuant to Section 13332.11 or Section 13332.19 as described in Section 15819.401.

(2) Any new beds constructed pursuant to this section shall be supported by rehabilitative programming for inmates, including, but not limited to, education, vocational programs, substance abuse treatment programs, employment programs, and prerelease planning.

(3) The purpose of beds constructed pursuant to this section is to replace the temporary beds currently in use, and they are not intended to house additional inmates. For the purposes of this section, “temporary beds” shall be defined as those that are placed in gymnasiums, classrooms, hallways, or other public spaces that were not constructed for the purpose of housing inmates.

(4) Notwithstanding paragraph (3), the authority contained in this subdivision may be used to develop beds and treatment space to serve inmates requiring mental health or medical services. Any beds developed with a medical or mental health purpose shall be supported with rehabilitative programming as defined in paragraph (2) that is consistent with the medical or mental health services required by the inmates.

(b) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation may acquire land, design, construct, and renovate reentry program facilities to provide housing for up to 6,000 inmates as authorized in Chapter 9.8 (commencing with Section 6271) of the Penal Code and, together with the funds appropriated in Section 15819.403 for this purpose, this shall constitute the scope and cost of a single capital outlay project for purposes of calculating

augmentations pursuant to Section 13332.11 or Section 13332.19 as described in Section 15819.401.

(c) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is authorized to design and construct new, or renovate existing, buildings and any necessary ancillary improvements, at facilities under the jurisdiction of the department to provide medical, dental, and mental health treatment or housing for up to 6,000 inmates and, together with the funds appropriated in Section 15819.403 for this purpose, this shall constitute the scope and cost of a single capital outlay project for purposes of calculating augmentations pursuant to Section 13332.11 or Section 13332.19 as described in Section 15819.401.

(d) (1) The reporting requirements set forth in Sections 7000 to 7003.5, inclusive, of the Penal Code, shall apply separately to each institution or facility. The scope and cost of the project for each institution or facility shall be established individually by the State Public Works Board. The amount of the total appropriations in Section 15819.403 that is necessary for each project shall be allocated to each institution or facility project. The appropriations may be allocated based on current estimates. These initial allocations may be adjusted commensurate to changes that occur during the progression of the projects. As allocations are made or adjusted, the anticipated deficit or savings shall be continuously tracked and reported. Once the total appropriation has been allocated, any augmentation necessary to fund an anticipated deficit shall be based on the total applicable capital outlay appropriation in Section 15819.403 and applied to each project allocation as necessary.

(2) For each institution, the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee identifying those projects that the department proposes to undertake, and any support buildings, and programming space to support up to 12,000 new beds. For each institution, the department shall describe the scope, budget, schedule, number of beds by security level, along with approximate square footage of support buildings, and programming space to be constructed or renovated. If after providing these reports, the committee fails to take any action with respect to each report within 30 days after submittal, this inaction shall be deemed to be approval for purposes of this section, and the department is authorized to proceed to design, construct, or renovate housing units, support buildings, and programming space for each institution for which a report has been approved.

(3) The department shall notify the Joint Legislative Budget Committee 45 days prior to the submission of preliminary plans to the board for each project authorized in this section. If after providing these notifications, the committee fails to take any action with respect to each report within 45 days after submittal, this inaction shall be deemed to be approval for purposes of this section, and the department is authorized to design, construct, or renovate housing units, support buildings, and programming space for each institution for which a report has been approved.

(4) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee on the allocations from the appropriations in Section 15819.403 and the anticipated deficit or savings. Each reentry program facility authorized under subdivision (b) shall be considered to be a separate project for reporting purposes pursuant to Sections 7000 and 7003.5 of the Penal Code. Each medical, mental health, or dental building improvement authorized under subdivision (c) shall be considered to be a separate project, except that building improvements that have a related purpose and that are located at the same institution may be considered one project, for reporting purposes pursuant to Sections 7000 and 7003.5 of the Penal Code.

SEC. 2. Section 15819.401 of the Government Code is amended to read:

15819.401. The scope and costs of the projects authorized by this chapter shall be subject to approval and administrative oversight by the State Public Works Board, including augmentations, pursuant to Section 13332.11 or Section 13332.19. For purposes of this chapter, the availability of an augmentation for each individual project allocation shall be calculated based on the total applicable capital outlay appropriation contained in Section 15819.403 and is not limited to 20 percent of the individual project allocation.

SEC. 3. Section 15819.41 of the Government Code is amended to read:

15819.41. (a) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall complete site assessments at facilities where it intends to construct or renovate additional housing units, support buildings, and programming space in order to add up to 4,000 beds at facilities under its jurisdiction. The department may use the funding provided in Section 28 of Chapter 7 of the Statutes of 2007 to complete the site assessments. After completing these site assessments the department shall define the scope and costs of each project pursuant to subdivision (d). This authorization is in addition to the authorization in subdivision (a) of Section 15819.40. Any new beds constructed shall be supported by rehabilitative programming for inmates, including, but not limited to, education, vocational programs, substance abuse treatment programs, employment programs, and prerelease planning. The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is authorized to design, construct, or renovate housing units, support buildings, and programming space in order to add up to 4,000 beds at facilities under its jurisdiction. This authorization is in addition to the authorization in subdivision (a) of Section 15819.40. Any new beds constructed shall be supported by rehabilitative programming for inmates, including, but not limited to, education, vocational programs, substance abuse treatment programs, employment programs, and prerelease planning. The authority in this subdivision may also be used to develop beds and treatment space to serve inmates requiring mental health or medical services. Any beds developed with a medical or mental health purpose shall be supported with rehabilitative programming as defined in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 15819.40 that is consistent with the medical or mental health services required by the inmates. The authority contained in this subdivision together

with the funds appropriated in Section 15819.413 for this purpose, shall constitute the scope and cost of a single capital outlay project for purposes of calculating augmentations pursuant to Section 13332.11 or Section 13332.19 as described in Section 15819.411.

(b) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is authorized to design and construct new, or renovate existing, buildings and any necessary ancillary improvements, at facilities under the jurisdiction of the department to provide medical, dental, and mental health treatment or housing for up to 2,000 inmates. This authorization is in addition to the authorization in subdivision (c) of Section 15819.40. The authority contained in this subdivision together with the funds appropriated in Section 15819.413 for this purpose, shall constitute the scope and cost of a single capital outlay project for purposes of calculating augmentations pursuant to Section 13332.11 or Section 13332.19 as described in Section 15819.411.

(c) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is authorized to acquire land, design, construct, and renovate reentry program facilities throughout the state that will house up to 10,000 inmates pursuant to Section 6271.1 of the Penal Code, and together with the funds appropriated in Section 15819.413 for this purpose, this shall constitute the scope and cost of a single capital outlay project for purposes of calculating augmentations pursuant to Section 13332.11 or Section 13332.19 as described in Section 15819.411.

(d) (1) The reporting requirements set forth in Sections 7000 to 7003.5, inclusive, of the Penal Code, shall apply separately to each institution or facility. The scope and cost of the project for each institution or facility shall be established by the State Public Works Board individually. The amount of the total appropriations in Section 15819.413 that is necessary for each project shall be allocated to each institution or facility project. The appropriations may be allocated based on current estimates. These initial allocations may be adjusted commensurate to changes that occur during the progression of the projects. As allocations are made or adjusted, the anticipated deficit or savings shall be continuously traced and reported. Once the total appropriation has been allocated, any augmentation necessary to fund an anticipated deficit shall be based on the total applicable capital outlay appropriation in Section 15819.413 and applied to each project allocation as necessary.

(2) For each institution, the department shall report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, identifying those projects that the department proposes to undertake, and any support buildings, and programming space to support up to 4,000 new beds. For each institution, the department shall describe the scope, budget, schedule, number of beds by security level, along with approximate square footage of support buildings, and programming space to be constructed or renovated. If after providing these reports, the committee fails to take any action with respect to each report within 30 days after submittal, this inaction shall be deemed to be approval for purposes of this section, and the department is authorized to proceed to design, construct,

or renovate housing units, support buildings, and programming space for each institution for which a report has been approved.

(3) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall notify the Joint Legislative Budget Committee 45 days prior to the submission of preliminary plans to the board for each project authorized in this section. If after providing these notifications, the committee fails to take any action with respect to each report within 45 days after submittal, this inaction shall be deemed to be approval for purposes of this section, and the department is authorized to design, construct, or renovate housing units, support buildings, and programming space for each institution for which a report has been approved.

(4) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee on the allocations from the appropriations in Section 15819.413 and the anticipated deficit or savings. Each reentry program facility authorized under subdivision (c) shall be considered to be a separate project. Each medical, mental health, or dental building improvement authorized under subdivision (b) shall be considered to be a separate project, except that building improvements that have a related purpose and that are located at the same institution may be considered one project, for reporting purposes pursuant to Sections 7000 and 7003.5 of the Penal Code.

SEC. 4. Section 15819.411 of the Government Code is amended to read:

15819.411. The scope and costs of the projects authorized by this chapter shall be subject to approval and administrative oversight by the State Public Works Board, including augmentations, pursuant to Section 13332.11 or Section 13332.19. For purposes of this chapter, the availability of an augmentation for each individual project allocation shall be calculated based on the total applicable capital outlay appropriation contained in Section 15819.413 and is not limited to 20 percent of the individual project allocation.

SEC. 5. Section 7021 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

7021. (a) The State Public Works Board may not release any funds provided for projects in Section 15819.41 of the Government Code or Section 6271.1, until a three-member panel, composed of the State Auditor, the Inspector General, and an appointee of the Judicial Council of California, verifies that the conditions outlined in paragraphs (1) to (13), inclusive, have been met. The Legislative Analyst shall provide information and input to the three-member panel as it considers whether the conditions have been met.

(1) At least 4,000 beds authorized in subdivision (a) of Section 15819.40 of the Government Code have been established by the State Public Works Board.

(2) The first 4,000 beds authorized in subdivision (a) of Section 15819.40 of the Government Code include space and will provide opportunities for rehabilitation services for inmates.

(3) At least 2,000 of the beds authorized in subdivision (a) of Section 6271 are under construction or sited.

(4) At least 2,000 substance abuse treatment slots established in Section 2694 have been established, with aftercare in the community.

(5) Prison institutional drug treatment slots have averaged at least 75 percent participation over the previous six months.

(6) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation has implemented an inmate assessment at reception centers, pursuant to Section 3020, and has used the assessment to assign inmates to rehabilitation programs for at least six consecutive months.

(7) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation has completed the Inmate Treatment and Prison-to-Employment Plan, pursuant to Section 3105.

(8) At least 300 parolees are being served in day treatment or crisis care services, pursuant to Section 3073.

(9) The California Rehabilitation Oversight Board (C-ROB), created pursuant to Section 6140, has been in operation for at least one year, and is regularly reviewing the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's programs. This condition may be waived if the appointments to the C-ROB have not been made by the Legislature.

(10) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation has implemented a plan to address management deficiencies, pursuant to Section 2061, and at least 75 percent of management positions have been filled for at least six months.

(11) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation has increased full-time participation in inmate academic and vocation education programs by 10 percent from the levels of participation on April 1, 2007.

(12) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation has developed and implemented a plan to obtain additional rehabilitation services, pursuant to Section 2062, and the vacancy rate for positions dedicated to rehabilitation and treatment services in prisons and parole offices is no greater than the statewide average vacancy rate for all state positions.

(13) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation has reviewed existing parole procedures.

(b) The provisions of Section 15819.41 of the Government Code and Section 6271.1 shall not authorize construction of facilities until the three-member panel specified in subdivision (a) has certified that the requirements of that subdivision have been met. Those sections shall become inoperative on January 1, 2014. Any projects already underway may continue, and funding for those projects shall remain authorized in order to allow for the issuance of bonds.

(c) The requirements set forth in this section are contingent upon the Legislature making funds available for the rehabilitation programs set forth in the Public Safety and Offender Rehabilitation Services Act of 2007.

SEC. 6. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to address California's prison overcrowding at the earliest possible time, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.