

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 565

Introduced by Assembly Member Monning
(Coauthor: Senator Blakeslee)

February 16, 2011

An act to add Section 31111.5 to the Public Resources Code, relating to conservation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 565, as introduced, Monning. Conservation: State Coastal Conservancy.

Existing law establishes the State Coastal Conservancy in the Natural Resources Agency with prescribed powers and responsibilities for implementing a program of agricultural land protection, area restoration, and resource enhancement within the coastal zone, as defined. Existing law authorizes the conservancy, for the purpose of implementing the provisions governing the conservancy, to fund and undertake plans and feasibility studies, and award grants to public agencies and nonprofit organizations.

This bill would additionally authorize the conservancy, for the purpose of implementing the provisions governing the conservancy, to award a grant to a for-profit entity to accomplish removal or alteration of a dam under specified conditions.

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. Section 31111.5 is added to the Public Resources
2 Code, to read:
3 31111.5. In implementing this division, the conservancy may
4 award a grant to a for-profit entity to accomplish removal or
5 alteration of a dam if the conservancy finds that the project is of
6 regional or statewide significance and that a grant to a public
7 agency or nonprofit organization would not achieve removal or
8 alteration of a dam.

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