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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2200

Introduced by Assembly Member Ma

February 23, 2012

An act to add Section 21655.10 to the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2200, as amended, Ma. Vehicles: high-occupancy vehicle lanes.

Existing law authorizes the Department of Transportation and local agencies, with respect to highways under their respective jurisdictions, to designate certain lanes for preferential or exclusive use by high-occupancy vehicles.

This bill would, consistent with the state implementation plan for the San Francisco Bay area adopted pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act and other federal requirements, ~~permit a vehicle with 2 or more occupants to utilize highway lanes designated for high-occupancy vehicles in the Interstate 80 corridor under the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's jurisdiction~~ *suspend the hours of operation for highway lanes designated for high-occupancy vehicles, in the Interstate 80 corridor within the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's jurisdiction, in the reverse commute direction*. Because the commission would be required to post signage of the above requirements along the Interstate 80 corridor, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Interstate 80 corridor in the San Francisco Bay area.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 21655.10 is added to the Vehicle Code,
2 to read:
3 21655.10. (a) To the extent consistent with the state
4 implementation plan for the San Francisco Bay area adopted
5 pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 7401 et seq.)
6 and other requirements pursuant to federal law, ~~a vehicle with two~~
7 ~~or more occupants shall be permitted to utilize highway lanes~~
8 ~~designated for high-occupancy vehicles, pursuant to Section~~
9 ~~21655.5 or 21655.8, in the Interstate 80 corridor within the~~
10 ~~Metropolitan Transportation Commission’s jurisdiction~~ *the hours*
11 *of operation for highway lanes designated for high-occupancy*
12 *vehicles, pursuant to Section 21655.55 or 21655.8, in the Interstate*
13 *80 corridor within the Metropolitan Transportation Commission’s*
14 *jurisdiction, shall be suspended during the reverse commute*
15 *direction.*
16 (b) *For purposes of this section, “reverse commute direction”*
17 *means eastbound on Interstate 80 between the hours of 5 a.m. to*
18 *10 a.m., inclusive, and westbound on Interstate 80 between the*
19 *hours of 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., inclusive.*
20 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special law
21 is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable
22 within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California
23 Constitution because of the unique nature of the Interstate 80
24 corridor in the San Francisco Bay area.

1 SEC. 3. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that
2 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to
3 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made
4 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division
5 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

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