

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 151**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Olsen**  
**(Coauthors: Assembly Members Achadjian, Chávez, Donnelly,**  
**Gorell, and Wieckowski)**  
**(Coauthors: Senators Cannella and Fuller)**

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An act to add Section 17951.5 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to local government fees.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 151, as introduced, Olsen. Local government: fee waiver: disabled veterans.

The State Housing Law authorizes cities and counties to prescribe fees for permits required or authorized pursuant to the State Housing Law.

This bill would authorize the governing board of any city or county to grant financial assistance, relief, and support to disabled veterans, as defined, by waiving service-related fees charged by the city or county, as specified.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 17951.5 is added to the Health and Safety
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 17951.5. (a) The governing board of any city or county may
- 4 grant financial assistance, relief, and support to disabled veterans

1 by reducing or waiving building inspection or permit fees charged  
2 by the city or county for the modification of a dwelling owned by  
3 a disabled veteran for the purpose of making the dwelling more  
4 accessible.

5 (b) The governing body shall use its general fund or other  
6 appropriate revenue source to compensate for the difference  
7 between a fee reduced or waived pursuant to this section and the  
8 fee that would otherwise be charged.

9 (c) For purposes of this section, “disabled veteran” has the same  
10 meaning as defined in Section 999 of the Military and Veterans  
11 Code.

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