

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 20

Introduced by Assembly Member Beth Gaines

August 31, 2015

An act relating to state government, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 20, as introduced, Beth Gaines. State government: elimination of vacant positions: transportation: appropriation.

Existing law establishes the Department of Human Resources in state government to operate the state civil service system.

This bill would require the department to eliminate 25% of the vacant positions in state government that are funded by the General Fund.

Existing law requires the Department of Transportation to prepare a state highway operation and protection program every other year for the expenditure of transportation capital improvement funds for projects that are necessary to preserve and protect the state highway system, excluding projects that add new traffic lanes. Existing law provides for apportionment of specified portions of revenues in the Highway Users Tax Account derived from gasoline and diesel excise taxes to cities and counties by formula, with the remaining revenues to be deposited in the State Highway Account for expenditure on various state transportation programs, including maintenance of state highways and transportation capital improvement projects.

This bill would continuously appropriate \$685,000,000 from the General Fund, with 50% to be made available to the Department of Transportation for maintenance of the state highway system or for purposes of the state highway operation and protection program, and

50% to be made available to the Controller for apportionment to cities and counties by a specified formula for street and road purposes.

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. The Department of Human Resources shall
2 eliminate 25 percent of the vacant positions in state government
3 that are funded by the General Fund.

4 SEC. 2. Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government
5 Code, the sum of six hundred eight-five million dollars
6 (\$685,000,000) is hereby continuously appropriated from the
7 General Fund, without regard to fiscal years, as follows:

8 (a) Fifty percent to the Department of Transportation for
9 maintenance of the state highway system or for purposes of the
10 state highway operation and protection program.

11 (b) Fifty percent to the Controller, for apportionment to cities
12 and counties pursuant to the formula in subparagraph (C) of
13 paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 2103 of the Streets and
14 Highways Code for street and road purposes.

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