

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 208**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Bigelow**

January 29, 2015

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An act to amend Section 891 of the Streets and Highways Code, relating to bikeways.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 208, as introduced, Bigelow. Bikeways.

Existing law requires the Department of Transportation to establish minimum safety design criteria for the planning and construction of bikeways and uniform specifications and symbols for associated signs, markers, and traffic control devices. Existing law requires all city, county, regional, and other local agencies responsible for the development or operation of bikeways or roadways where bicycle travel is permitted to utilize all minimum safety design criteria and uniform specifications and symbols for signs, markers, and traffic control devices established under these provisions, except that alternative minimum safety design criteria may be used under certain conditions.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

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 891 of the Streets and Highways Code
- 2 is amended to read:
- 3 891. (a) All city, county, regional, and other local agencies
- 4 responsible for the development or operation of bikeways or

1 roadways where bicycle travel is permitted shall utilize the  
2 minimum safety design criteria established pursuant to Section  
3 890.6, except as provided in subdivision (b), and shall utilize the  
4 uniform specifications and symbols for signs, markers, and traffic  
5 control devices established pursuant to Section 890.8.

6 (b) An agency may utilize minimum safety design criteria other  
7 than those established by Section 890.6 if all of the following  
8 conditions are met:

9 (1) The alternative criteria have been reviewed and approved  
10 by a qualified engineer with consideration for the unique  
11 characteristics and features of the proposed bikeway and  
12 surrounding environs.

13 (2) The alternative criteria, or the description of the project with  
14 reference to the alternative criteria, are adopted by resolution at a  
15 public meeting, after ~~having provided~~ proper notice of the public  
16 meeting and opportunity for public comment *are provided*.

17 (3) The alternative criteria adhere to guidelines established by  
18 a national association of public agency transportation officials.