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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 325**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Wood**

February 13, 2015

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An act to add Section 50832.2 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to economic development.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 325, as amended, Wood. Community Development Block Grant Program: funds.

Existing law requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to allocate funds under the federal Community Development Block Grant Program to cities and counties. Existing law requires the department to determine, and announce in the applicable Notice of Funding Availability, the maximum amount of grant funds that may be used for economic development projects and programs, housing for persons and families of low or moderate income or for purposes directly related to the provision or improvement of housing opportunities for these persons and families, and for cities and counties that apply on behalf of certain Indian tribes. Existing law requires the department to develop and use certain eligibility criteria and requirements for certain economic development fund applications.

This bill would require the department, no later than 60 days ~~from when the department receives an economic development fund application, to inform the applicant of the decision to approve or deny the application and the reasons for a denial of this application.~~ *after the department notifies an applicant that the department has approved the applicant's application for those grant funds, to enter into a grant*

*agreement with the applicant. The bill would require the department, when the department enters into a grant agreement with an applicant, to provide the applicant with a complete and final list of activities the applicant must complete in order to receive a disbursement of funds pursuant to the agreement. The bill would also require the department, no later than 30 days after receiving a grantee’s request for disbursement of funds, to notify the grantee that the department has approved disbursement or to provide the grantee with a complete and final list of all of the remaining activities the grantee must complete, as specified.*

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 50832.2 is added to the Health and Safety  
 2 Code, to read:  
 3     50832.2. (a) (1) No later than 60 days after the department  
 4 notifies an applicant that the department has approved the  
 5 applicant’s application for funds pursuant to this chapter, the  
 6 department shall enter into a grant agreement with the applicant.  
 7     (2) When the department enters into a grant agreement with an  
 8 applicant, the department shall provide the applicant with a  
 9 complete and final list of all of the activities the applicant must  
 10 complete in order to receive a disbursement of funds pursuant to  
 11 the agreement.  
 12     (b) No later than 30 days after the department receives a request  
 13 for the disbursement of funds from a grantee, the department shall  
 14 take either of the following actions:  
 15     (1) Notify the grantee that the department has approved  
 16 disbursement of the funds.  
 17     (2) Provide the applicant with a complete and final list of all  
 18 of the remaining activities the applicant must complete in order  
 19 for the department to approve disbursement of the funds.  
 20     SECTION 1. ~~Section 50832.2 is added to the Health and Safety~~  
 21 ~~Code, to read:~~  
 22     ~~50832.2. The department shall, no later than 60 days from~~  
 23 ~~when the department receives an application for funds for economic~~  
 24 ~~development projects and programs, inform an applicant of the~~

- 1 ~~decision to approve or deny an application for these funds and the~~
- 2 ~~reasons for a denial of the application.~~

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