

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JANUARY 4, 2016

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 378

Introduced by Assembly Member Mullin

February 18, 2015

An act to add Section 133 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to highways.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 378, as amended, Mullin. State Highway 101 *Route* corridor.

Existing law provides that the Department of Transportation has full possession and control of the state highway system. Existing law imposes various requirements for the development and implementation of transportation projects.

~~This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that will enable responsible local, regional, and state agencies to substantially improve mobility in the State Highway 101 corridor. The bill would make findings and declarations in that regard.~~ *require the department, in coordination with the City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County and the San Mateo County Transportation Authority, to create an integrated corridor management team to consider transportation projects addressing congestion relief in the State Highway Route 101 corridor located within the County of San Mateo.*

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

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

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the
2 following:

3 (a) The State Highway *Route* 101 corridor, the 48 miles between
4 San Francisco and San Jose, is the most economically productive
5 ~~and important~~ highway corridor in California, with rapidly growing
6 employment and tax receipts that greatly benefit workers, small
7 business owners, local government budgets, and the state.

8 (b) Transportation capacity in the corridor is grossly insufficient
9 to serve the growing number of commuters, leading to heavy and
10 growing traffic congestion on State Highway *Route* 101 and serious
11 overcrowding on Caltrain. Highway congestion is costly and
12 inconvenient for commuters, local residents, goods movers, buses,
13 and emergency responders.

14 (c) In order to sustain the economic engine of the State Highway
15 *Route* 101 corridor and the quality of life for local residents, swift
16 and decisive action by transportation agencies is needed to relieve
17 commuter congestion. ~~It is common for transportation improvement~~
18 ~~projects to take 10 to 15 years to study, fund, design, and construct;~~
19 ~~however, if commuting conditions are not improved on a much~~
20 ~~shorter timeline, economic prospects for the corridor will be~~
21 ~~jeopardized.~~

22 (d) A coordinated response from county, regional, and state
23 transportation agencies can improve State Highway *Route* 101
24 corridor operations more effectively than is possible by these
25 agencies acting individually. A coordinated agency response that
26 integrates carpool or express lane development and operations,
27 adaptive ramp metering technology and operations, and ridesharing
28 can deliver meaningful commuter relief ~~within a five-year period~~
29 and can serve as a model that other highway corridors in the state
30 can emulate.

31 ~~SEC. 2. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation~~
32 ~~that will provide such powers, responsibilities, funding and~~
33 ~~financing mechanisms, innovative project delivery authority, and~~
34 ~~governance structures as may be necessary, convenient, and~~
35 ~~beneficial to enable responsible local, regional, and state agencies~~
36 ~~to substantially improve mobility as soon as possible, but no later~~
37 ~~than within five years, in the State Highway 101 corridor in the~~

1 ~~City and County of San Francisco, the County of San Mateo, and~~
2 ~~the County of Santa Clara.~~

3 *SEC. 2. Section 133 is added to the Streets and Highways Code,*
4 *to read:*

5 *133. (a) The department, in coordination with the City/County*
6 *Association of Governments of San Mateo County and the San*
7 *Mateo County Transportation Authority if they choose to*
8 *participate, shall create an integrated corridor management team*
9 *to consider transportation projects addressing congestion relief*
10 *in the State Highway Route 101 corridor.*

11 *(b) For purposes of this section, "State Highway Route 101*
12 *corridor" means the segment of State Highway Route 101 and*
13 *connecting highways, including, but not limited to, State Highway*
14 *Routes 82, 92, and 380, located within the County of San Mateo.*