

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1030**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Ridley-Thomas**

February 26, 2015

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An act to add Section 39715.5 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to greenhouse gases.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1030, as introduced, Ridley-Thomas. California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 establishes the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases. The act authorizes the state board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and to be available upon appropriation by the Legislature. Existing law requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the state board and any other relevant state agency, to develop, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

This bill would require a state agency that allocates moneys from the fund to prioritize projects that include project labor agreements with targeted hire goals, community workforce agreements that connect local residents to jobs or training opportunities, or partnerships with training entities that have a proven track record of placing disadvantaged workers in career-track jobs.

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

3 (a) With the adoption of Assembly Bill 32 (Chapter 488 of the  
4 Statutes of 2006), Senate Bill 535 (Chapter 830 of the Statutes of  
5 2012) and related climate policies, the state has led the nation in  
6 tackling climate change and ensuring that climate policies and  
7 investments help lift up our state’s most disinvested communities.

8 (b) The revenue generated through the auction of carbon  
9 allowances provides an opportunity to promote triple bottom line  
10 investments that tackle our climate crises, grow our economy, and  
11 promote equity.

12 (c) The growth rate of green jobs is significantly faster than that  
13 of all other jobs nationwide, and the majority of this job growth  
14 is in California, making the state a national and international leader  
15 in green jobs.

16 (d) Green jobs are accessible to people with a variety of  
17 educational attainment and, on average, offer a higher median  
18 wage and better opportunities for career advancement. Preparing  
19 and connecting disconnected youth and disadvantaged workers to  
20 these jobs is critical to ensuring these jobs support a future of  
21 shared prosperity.

22 (e) It is the intent of the Legislature to ensure that investments  
23 made through the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, created  
24 pursuant to Section 16428.8 of the Government Code, continue to  
25 support the growth of the diverse green jobs sector in the state,  
26 increase access to green jobs for disconnected youth and other  
27 disadvantaged workers, and support workforce training  
28 opportunities that create a pathway for disadvantaged workers to  
29 enter the green jobs sector.

30 SEC. 2. Section 39715.5 is added to the Health and Safety  
31 Code, to read:

32 39715.5. A state agency that allocates moneys from the fund  
33 pursuant to this chapter shall prioritize a project that includes any  
34 of the following:

35 (a) Project labor agreements with targeted hire goals.

- 1 (b) Community workforce agreements that connect local
- 2 residents to jobs or training opportunities.
- 3 (c) Partnerships with training entities that have a proven track
- 4 record of placing disadvantaged workers in career-track jobs.

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