

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 28, 2016

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1555

Introduced by Assembly Member Gomez

January 4, 2016

An act relating to greenhouse ~~gases~~: *gases, and making an appropriation therefor.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1555, as amended, Gomez. Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The state board is required to adopt a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020. 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.

This bill would ~~state the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation that would appropriate \$1,700,000,000~~ *\$800,000,000* from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for the ~~2015–16~~ *2016–17* fiscal year ~~that would be allocated to different entities to various state agencies in specified amounts to be determined in the future legislation for various purposes including~~ *including, among other things, low carbon transportation and infrastructure, clean energy communities, and community climate improvements, wetland and watershed restoration,*

and carbon sequestration. *The bill would state the intent of the Legislature to reserve \$150,000,000 from the fund to fund future legislative priorities.*

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

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

1 SECTION 1. ~~It is the intent of the Legislature to enact future~~
2 ~~legislation that would appropriate one billion seven hundred million~~
3 ~~dollars (\$1,700,000,000)~~ *(a) For the 2016–17 fiscal year, eight*
4 *hundred million dollars (\$800,000,000) from the Greenhouse Gas*
5 *Reduction Fund, created pursuant to Section 16428.8 of the*
6 *Government Code, to be allocated, in amounts to be determined*
7 *in that future legislation is hereby appropriated as follows:*

8 ~~(a) For~~
9 *(1) To the State Air Resources Board for low carbon*
10 *transportation and infrastructure, as follows:*

11 ~~(1)~~
12 *(A) The amount of _____ dollars (\$____) to the California Air*
13 *Resources Board two hundred ninety million dollars*
14 *(\$290,000,000) for low carbon transportation and infrastructure*
15 *programs.*

16 ~~(2)~~
17 *(B) The amount of _____ dollars (\$____) ten million dollars*
18 *(\$10,000,000) for Active Transportation active transportation and*
19 *transit pass investments.*

20 ~~(b)~~
21 *(2) For clean energy communities, as follows:*

22 ~~(1)~~
23 *(A) The amount of _____ dollars (\$____) one hundred million*
24 *dollars (\$100,000,000) to the Community Service Department of*
25 *Community Services and Development and the California*
26 *Conservation Corps for weatherization and low-income solar*
27 *rooftop programs, with at least _____ dollars (\$____) of those*
28 *moneys for integrated solarization and weatherization programs*
29 *or projects in disadvantaged communities.*

30 ~~(2)~~
31 *(B) The amount of _____ dollars (\$____) one hundred million*
32 *dollars (\$100,000,000) to the California State Energy Resources*

1 *Conservation and Development* Commission and the Department
2 of Water Resources for *equipment and other* replacement programs,
3 including turf and toilet replacement.

4 ~~(3)~~

5 (C) The amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) *ten million dollars*
6 *(\$10,000,000)* to the Department of Water Resources for energy
7 efficient ground water pump replacement grant programs.

8 ~~(4) The amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) to develop low-carbon~~
9 ~~microgrids for public buildings and universities.~~

10 ~~(5)~~

11 (D) The amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) *five million dollars*
12 *(\$5,000,000)* to the Department of Food and Agriculture, and the
13 amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) *fifteen million dollars*
14 *(\$15,000,000)* to ~~CalRecycle, the Department of Resources~~
15 ~~Recycling and Recovery~~, to provide incentive programs for waste
16 diversion, biogas development, and compost programs, including
17 grants to agriculture and urban waste organic diversion facilities.

18 ~~(6)~~

19 (E) The amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) *ten million dollars*
20 *(\$10,000,000)* to the Department of Food and Agriculture for
21 on-farm energy and water efficiency programs.

22 ~~(e) For community climate improvements, wetland and~~
23 ~~watershed restoration, and carbon sequestration, as follows:~~

24 ~~(1)~~

25 (3) The amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) *one hundred million*
26 *dollars (\$100,000,000)* to the Department of Fish and Wildlife for
27 wetland development, rehabilitation, and enhancement.

28 ~~(2) The amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) to the Wildlife~~
29 ~~Conservation Board for allocation to state and regional~~
30 ~~conservancies for watershed restoration.~~

31 ~~(4) The amount of eighty-five million dollars (\$85,000,000) to~~
32 ~~the California Coastal Conservancy for wetland and watershed~~
33 ~~restoration, and carbon sequestration.~~

34 ~~(3)~~

35 (5) The amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) *fifteen millions dollars*
36 *(\$15,000,000)* to the Natural Resources Agency for riparian and
37 revegetation programs.

38 ~~(4)~~

39 (6) The amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) *twenty-five million*
40 *dollars (\$25,000,000)* to the Natural Resources Agency for

1 local-climate-beneficial projects for urban greening, urban
2 canopies, urban brownfield conversion, and other related projects.

3 ~~(5)~~

4 (7) The amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) *ten million dollars*
5 *(\$10,000,000) to the Natural Resources Agency for agricultural*
6 *and rangeland carbon sequestration programs.*

7 ~~(6)~~

8 (8) The amount of _____ dollars (\$_____) *twenty-five million*
9 *dollars (\$25,000,000) to the Department of Forestry and Fire*
10 *Protection for urban forestry.*

11 ~~(d) For opportunity investments in amounts to be determined.~~

12 (b) *It is the intent of the Legislature to set aside and reserve one*
13 *hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) to fund future*
14 *legislative priorities.*