

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1641

Introduced by Assembly Member Travis Allen

January 11, 2016

An act to amend Section 22500.5 of the Vehicle Code, relating to shuttle services, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1641, as introduced, Travis Allen. Shuttle services: loading and unloading of passengers.

Under existing law, a person may not stop, park, or leave a vehicle standing alongside a curb space authorized for the loading or unloading of passengers of a bus engaged as a common carrier in local transportation when indicated by a sign or red paint on the curb, except that existing law allows local authorities to permit schoolbuses to stop alongside these curb spaces upon agreement between a transit system operating buses as common carriers in local transportation and a public school district or private school.

This bill would also allow local authorities to permit shuttle service vehicles, as defined, to stop for the loading or unloading of passengers alongside these curb spaces upon agreement between a transit system operating buses engaged as common carriers in local transportation and a shuttle service provider, as defined. The bill would state that it is the intent of the Legislature to not replace public transit services.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

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

SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature, in allowing local authorities to permit shuttle service vehicles to utilize designated transit system curb spaces, to not replace public transit services. The Legislature finds and declares that this act applies only to shuttle services that do not offer services to the general public as common carriers.

SEC. 2. Section 22500.5 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:

22500.5. (a) Upon agreement between a transit system operating buses engaged as common carriers in local transportation and a public school district or private school, local authorities may, by ordinance, permit schoolbuses owned by, or operated under contract for, that public school district or private school to stop for the loading or unloading of passengers alongside any or all curb spaces designated for the loading or unloading of passengers of the transit system buses.

(b) Upon agreement between a transit system operating buses engaged as common carriers in local transportation and a shuttle service provider, local authorities may, by ordinance or resolution, permit shuttle service vehicles to stop for the loading or unloading of passengers alongside any or all curb spaces designated for the loading or unloading of passengers of the transit system buses.

(1) As used in this subdivision, “shuttle service vehicle” means a motor vehicle designed, used, or maintained by or for a charter-party carrier of passengers, as defined in Section 5360 of the Public Utilities Code, or a passenger stage corporation, as defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, or any highway carrier of passengers required to register with the Public Utilities Commission.

(2) As used in this subdivision, “shuttle service” means transportation by private vehicles offered for the exclusive or primary use of a discrete group, including, but not limited to, clients, patients, students, paid or unpaid staff, visitors, or residents, between an organization or entity’s facilities or between the organization or entity’s facilities and other locations, on a regularly scheduled basis.

(3) As used in this subdivision, “shuttle service provider” means any person using shuttle service vehicles to provide shuttle service.

1 SEC. 3. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
2 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within
3 the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into
4 immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

5 In order to permit the utilization of curb spaces designated for
6 the loading or unloading of passengers of transit system buses by
7 shuttle service providers at the earliest possible time, it is necessary
8 that this act take effect immediately.