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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1814

Introduced by Assembly Member Travis Allen

February 8, 2016

An act to ~~amend~~ *add* Section ~~220~~ of 218.5 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to state highways.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1814, as amended, Travis Allen. State highways: roadside rests.

Existing law provides that the Department of Transportation has full possession and control of the state highway system and associated property. Existing law authorizes the department to plan, design, and construct a system of safety roadside rests along state highways. Existing law ~~requires the department to design only those safety roadside rests that are reasonably economical and that will provide the motorist a place where he or she may stop for a short time during daytime and nighttime hours.~~ *provides that roadside rests are deemed to be part of the state highway right-of-way.*

This bill would ~~make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.~~ *require the department, by January 1, 2018, to update the Safety Roadside Rest Master Plan, and to identify any changes to state or federal law that would be required in order to facilitate public-private partnerships for roadside rest areas that would be located outside of the highway right-of-way.*

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. Section 218.5 is added to the Streets and
2 Highways Code, to read:

3 218.5. The department, on or before January 1, 2018, shall
4 update the Safety Roadside Rest Area Master Plan. In updating
5 the plan, the department shall identify any changes to state or
6 federal law that would be required in order to facilitate
7 public-private partnerships for roadside rest areas that would be
8 located outside of the highway right-of-way.

9 SECTION 1. ~~Section 220 of the Streets and Highways Code~~
10 ~~is amended to read:~~

11 ~~220. (a) In designing safety roadside rests, the department~~
12 ~~shall design only those safety roadside rests that are reasonably~~
13 ~~economical and that will provide the motorist a place where he or~~
14 ~~she may stop for a short time during daytime and nighttime hours.~~
15 ~~The Legislature recognizes that the size of these safety roadside~~
16 ~~rests, together with the facilities therein, will differ according to~~
17 ~~location and potential use. The safety roadside rests may contain,~~
18 ~~among other things, depending upon the size and use thereof,~~
19 ~~parking places for vehicles, picnic tables, sanitary facilities,~~
20 ~~telephones, water, landscaping, tourist information panels, traveler~~
21 ~~service information facilities, and facilities for the distribution of~~
22 ~~current news. The safety roadside rests shall not contain camping~~
23 ~~or recreational facilities.~~

24 ~~(b) The safety roadside rests located on that portion of Route 5~~
25 ~~in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta area may also contain~~
26 ~~displays and examples of California agriculture.~~