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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2014**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Melendez**

February 16, 2016

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An act to add Sections 2566 and 2566.1 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to transportation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2014, as amended, Melendez. Freeway Service Patrol Program Assessment.

The Freeway Service Patrol Act authorizes and provides funding for freeway service patrols, operated pursuant to an agreement between the Department of the California Highway Patrol, the Department of Transportation, and a regional or local governmental entity, on traffic-congested urban freeways throughout the state.

This bill would, by June 20, 2018, and every 5 years thereafter, require the Department of Transportation to publish and submit to the Legislature and the Department of Finance, as specified, a statewide Freeway Service Patrol Program Assessment that would, among other things, identify, quantify, and analyze existing freeway service patrols, identify opportunities to increase or expand service levels, and analyze and provide recommendations regarding the current and anticipated future financial condition of the program, as specified. The bill would require the state budget to include a line item identifying the amount of local assistance moneys and state operations moneys ~~that were~~ provided in support of freeway service patrols.

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. Section 2566 is added to the Streets and Highways  
2 Code, to read:  
3 2566. (a) By June 20, 2018, and every five years thereafter,  
4 the department, in coordination with the Department of the  
5 California Highway Patrol and regional and local entities, shall  
6 publish a statewide Freeway Service Patrol Program Assessment.  
7 The program assessment shall do all of the following:  
8 (1) Identify, quantify, and analyze existing freeway service  
9 patrols, and identify opportunities to increase or expand service  
10 levels.  
11 (2) Analyze and provide recommendations regarding the current  
12 and anticipated future financial condition of the program,  
13 accounting for various factors, including, but not limited to,  
14 operation costs, available funding, and state personnel resources.  
15 (3) *Include, as attachments, supporting data provided to the*  
16 *department by regional and local entities and by the Department*  
17 *of the California Highway Patrol.*  
18 ~~(3)~~  
19 (4) Examine all of the following:  
20 (A) The financial sustainability of maintaining current freeway  
21 service patrols.  
22 (B) The route miles unserved or underserved by freeway service  
23 patrols.  
24 (C) Historical, current, and future state and local funding for  
25 freeway service patrols.  
26 ~~(4)~~  
27 (5) Analyze and quantify the public benefits received or to be  
28 received from existing and potential new freeway service patrols.  
29 ~~(5)~~  
30 (6) Discuss how freeway service patrols relate to other state  
31 policies, plans, and goals.  
32 (b) The department shall submit the program assessment to the  
33 Legislature, in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government  
34 Code, and to the Department of Finance, and shall include a

1 recommendation regarding the state moneys necessary to fund the  
2 recommendations identified in the program assessment.

3 SEC. 2. Section 2566.1 is added to the Streets and Highways  
4 Code, to read:

5 2566.1. The state budget shall include a line item for the  
6 department and the Department of the California Highway Patrol  
7 to identify the amount of local assistance moneys and state  
8 operations moneys provided in support of freeway service patrols.

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