

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 349

Introduced by Assembly Member Escutia

February 10, 1995

An act to amend Section 51015.05 of the Government Code, relating to pipeline safety.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 349, as introduced, Escutia. Intrastate hazardous liquid pipelines: centralized data base.

Existing law requires the State Fire Marshal to establish and maintain a centralized data base on specified intrastate hazardous liquid pipelines.

This bill would require the data base to include information on fault movement and seismic subsidence reported along the pipeline route.

Existing law requires the State Fire Marshall to report to the Legislature, on or before December 31, 1995, on a study of the fitness and safety of specified pipelines, and incentive options to encourage pipeline replacement or improvements including environmental impact report requirements, among other things.

This bill would require that the study include a study of expected seismic damage.

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 51015.05 of the Government
 2 Code is amended to read:
 3 51015.05. (a) The State Fire Marshal shall establish
 4 and maintain a centralized data base containing
 5 information and data regarding the following intrastate
 6 pipelines:
 7 (1) Pipelines, as defined in paragraph (3) of
 8 subdivision (a) of Section 51010.5, used for the
 9 transportation of crude oil that operates by gravity or at
 10 a stress level of 20 percent or less of the specified
 11 minimum yield strength of the pipe.
 12 (2) Pipelines, as defined in paragraph (4) of
 13 subdivision (a) of Section 51010.5, used for the
 14 transportation of petroleum in onshore gathering lines
 15 located in rural areas.
 16 (b) The data base shall include, but is not limited to, an
 17 inventory of the pipelines described in subdivision (a),
 18 including pipeline locations, ownership, ages, and
 19 inspection histories, that are in the possession of the
 20 owner or operator of the oil field or other gas facility. *The*
 21 *data base shall also include information on fault*
 22 *movement and seismic subsidence reported along the*
 23 *pipeline route.*
 24 (c) The State Fire Marshal shall regularly update the
 25 data base and shall make the information in the data base
 26 available to the public, and to all local, state, and federal
 27 agencies.
 28 (d) Any state or local governmental agency which
 29 regulates, supervises, or exerts authority over any
 30 pipeline described in subdivision (a) shall report any
 31 information or data specified in subdivision (b) in its
 32 possession to the State Fire Marshal. That information
 33 shall be submitted to the State Fire Marshal in a computer
 34 compatible format.
 35 (e) The State Fire Marshal shall conduct a study of the
 36 fitness and safety of all pipelines described in subdivision
 37 (a), *including a study of expected seismic damage*, and
 38 investigate incentive options that would encourage



1 pipeline replacement or improvements, including, but
2 not limited to, a review of existing regulatory, permit, and
3 environmental impact report requirements and other
4 existing public policies, as may be identified by the
5 Pipeline Safety Advisory Committee and adopted by the
6 State Fire Marshal, that could act as barriers to the
7 replacement or improvement of those pipelines. On or
8 before December 31, 1995, the State Fire Marshal shall
9 report his or her findings and recommendations to the
10 Legislature.

11 (f) The costs of this section shall be funded from
12 federal block grant funds. This section shall become
13 operative only upon receipt of these federal block grant
14 funds as determined by the State Fire Marshal. Upon
15 receipt of these funds the State Fire Marshal shall provide
16 written notice to both houses of the Legislature for
17 publication in their respective journals.

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