

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 4, 1997

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1997–98 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 242

Introduced by Assembly Members Honda and Machado

February 7, 1997

An act to amend Section 15301 of the Government Code, relating to homeless shelters, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 242, as amended, Honda. Emergency homeless shelters: state armories.

Existing law authorizes the Adjutant General, under the direction of the Governor, to make and enforce regulations for the government and control of state armories, as defined, for use by the state militia. It authorizes the Adjutant General to appoint a Community Advisory Committee to advise the Adjutant General on the use of state armories as shelters for the homeless.

Existing law requires certain state armories to be made available, until March 15, 1997, to specified cities and counties for use by homeless persons for emergency shelter purposes during defined periods of the year.

This bill would extend this requirement until March 15, 2000.

The bill would make its provisions operative upon appropriation to the Military Department for the purposes of these provisions in the annual Budget Act.

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

Vote: 2/3. 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 15301 of the Government Code
2 is amended to read:
3 15301. (a) The Chico armory in Butte County; the
4 Calexico and El Centro armories in Imperial County; the
5 Culver City, Inglewood, Long Beach on 7th Street,
6 Pomona, and Van Nuys armories and the West Los
7 Angeles armory on Federal Avenue in Los Angeles
8 County; the San Rafael armory in Marin County; the
9 Merced armory in Merced County; the Fullerton and
10 Santa Ana armories in Orange County; the Roseville
11 armory in Placer County; the Corona, Indio, and
12 Riverside armories in Riverside County; the El Cajon,
13 Escondido, and Vista armories in San Diego County; the
14 San Mateo armory in San Mateo County; the Santa
15 Barbara and Santa Maria armories in Santa Barbara
16 County; the Gilroy and Sunnyvale armories and the San
17 Jose armory on Hedding Street in Santa Clara County; the
18 Santa Cruz and Watsonville armories in Santa Cruz
19 County; the Redding armory in Shasta County; the
20 Petaluma and Santa Rosa armories in Sonoma County;
21 and the Oxnard armory in Ventura County shall be made
22 available to these counties or any city in these counties for
23 the purpose of providing temporary shelter for homeless
24 persons during the period from December 1 through
25 March 15 each year, as a temporary measure until March
26 15, 2000, to allow adequate time for government entities
27 in these counties to develop other suitable homeless
28 shelter arrangements. If severe weather conditions exist
29 between November 1 through March 31, the Military
30 Department may extend the use of the armories to
31 include November 1 to December 1 and March 15 to
32 March 31.



1 ***(b) This section shall be operative upon appropriation***
2 ***to the Military Department for the purposes of this***
3 ***section in the annual Budget Act.***

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

9 In order to provide adequate shelter for the homeless,
10 it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

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