

AMENDED IN SENATE MARCH 28, 2000

SENATE BILL

No. 1506

Introduced by Senator Chesbro

February 15, 2000

An act to add *and repeal* Section 189.2 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to transportation, ~~and making an appropriation therefor.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1506, as amended, Chesbro. Transportation district: ~~Counties of Solano, Sonoma, and Napa~~ evaluation.

Existing law grants the Department of Transportation full possession and control of all state highways and directs the department to lay out and construct all state highways as determined by the California Transportation Commission.

This bill would create an advisory committee consisting of representatives of the counties within State Transportation District 4 appointed by the boards of supervisors of those counties, a representative of the department, and a representative of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission who would be the designated chairperson. The bill would direct the advisory committee to undertake a specified evaluation of State Transportation District 4 highways and related transportation issues and conditions. The bill would require the chairperson to report to the Legislature on or before July 1, 2001, regarding the evaluation and any recommendations. These provisions of the bill would be repealed on January 1, 2002.

Because the bill would require certain county boards of supervisors to appoint representatives to the advisory committee, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement, including the creation of a State Mandates Claims Fund to pay the costs of mandates that do not exceed \$1,000,000 statewide and other procedures for claims whose statewide costs exceed \$1,000,000.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

~~Existing law does not provide a separate state transportation district for the Counties of Solano, Sonoma, and Napa.~~

~~This bill would establish a state transportation district in those counties and would require that district to have a separate district organization, staff, and facilities.~~

~~The bill would appropriate \$1,000,000 from the State Highway Account in the State Transportation Fund to the Department of Transportation for the initial cost of establishing that district.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: *yes no*. Fiscal committee: *yes*. State-mandated local program: ~~no~~ *yes*.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 189.2 is added to the Streets and
- 2 Highways Code, to read:
- 3 189.2. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of
- 4 law, ~~a~~ *an advisory committee is hereby created consisting*
- 5 *of the following members:*
- 6 (1) *A representative appointed by the boards of*
- 7 *supervisors of each county located within State*
- 8 *Transportation District 4.*
- 9 (2) *A representative appointed by the department.*



1 (3) A representative appointed by the Metropolitan
2 Transportation Commission who shall serve as the
3 committee's chairperson.

4 (b) The advisory committee shall evaluate current
5 highway and related transportation issues and conditions
6 within State Transportation District 4, including the
7 following matters:

8 (1) The shifting population centers.

9 (2) Areas of potential economic development.

10 (3) Movement of goods on the highways.

11 (4) The number of state transportation projects and
12 the time frame for their completion.

13 (5) The accessibility of services provided by the
14 department.

15 (6) The accessibility of department information by the
16 public.

17 (c) The chairperson shall report to the Legislature on
18 or before July 1, 2001, and shall include in that report the
19 results of the evaluation and recommendations
20 concerning methods in which the department can better
21 serve the public within State Transportation District 4
22 which may include a recommendation of the creation of
23 a new state transportation district or subdistricts.

24 (d) This section shall remain in effect only until
25 January 1, 2002, and as of that date is repealed, unless a
26 later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1,
27 2002, deletes or extends that date.

28 SEC. 2. Notwithstanding Section 17610 of the
29 Government Code, if the Commission on State Mandates
30 determines that this act contains costs mandated by the
31 state, reimbursement to local agencies and school
32 districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7
33 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title
34 2 of the Government Code. If the statewide cost of the
35 claim for reimbursement does not exceed one million
36 dollars (\$1,000,000), reimbursement shall be made from
37 the State Mandates Claims Fund. ~~state transportation~~
38 ~~district, consisting of the Counties of Solano, Sonoma, and~~
39 ~~Napa, is hereby created. The district shall have a separate~~
40 ~~district organization, staff, and facilities in the district.~~



1 ~~SEC. 2. The sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) is~~
2 ~~hereby appropriated from the State Highway Account in~~
3 ~~the State Transportation Fund to the Department of~~
4 ~~Transportation for expenditure by the department for~~
5 ~~the initial cost of establishing, pursuant to Section 189.2 of~~
6 ~~the Streets and Highways Code, a separate district~~
7 ~~organization, staff, and facilities for that state~~
8 ~~transportation district, as directed by executive order of~~
9 ~~the Governor, and for an independent audit of the costs~~
10 ~~relating to establishing that separate district~~
11 ~~organization.~~

