
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anthony Portantino, Chair
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SB 995 (Atkins) - Environmental quality: Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2011: housing projects

Version: June 2, 2020

Urgency: No

Hearing Date: June 18, 2020

Policy Vote: E.Q. 5 - 0

Mandate: Yes

Consultant: Ashley Ames

Bill Summary: This bill would extend the Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2011 until 2025, and would make housing projects that meet certain requirements eligible for certification under the Act.

******* ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE *******

**The following information is revised to reflect amendments
adopted by the committee on June 18, 2020**

Fiscal Impact:

- The California Air Resources Control Board (CARB) estimates ongoing costs of \$384,000 (special fund) annually to determine within 60 days whether a project will result in a net increase of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.
- Unknown costs (General Fund) to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research to review and certify "leadership projects" and, potentially, to issue guidelines regarding application and certification of projects.
- Potential unknown cost pressure (General Fund) to the state-funded court system to process and hear challenges to the project's environmental review within the timeframes prescribed by the bill. (See staff comments.)
- Unknown but likely minor costs (General Fund) to Judicial Council to adopt rules of the court to guide implementation of the provisions of this bill and to report to the Legislature.

Author Amendments: The author's amendments would make technical clarifications and strengthen labor requirements for new construction.

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