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## SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anthony Portantino, Chair  
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### SB 1206 (Skinner) - Hydrofluorocarbon gases: sale or distribution

**Version:** April 7, 2022

**Urgency:** No

**Hearing Date:** May 19, 2022

**Policy Vote:** E.Q. 5 - 2

**Mandate:** Yes

**Consultant:** Ashley Ames

**Bill Summary:** This bill would prohibit the sale or distribution of bulk hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) that exceed global warming potential (GWP) limits of 1,400 by 2025 and 750 by 2030, and would require the Air Resources Board (ARB) to initiate rulemaking for the adoption of very low GWP refrigerant technology in California.

### \*\*\*\*\* ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE \*\*\*\*\*

The following information is revised to reflect amendments  
adopted by the committee on May 19, 2022

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

- Unknown costs of up to \$630,000 annually (Cost of Implementation Account) for ARB to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature, and to accommodate accelerated implementation needs due to prohibitions on bulk HFCs or bulk blends offered for sale or distribution in the state.
- Unknown, likely minor costs for various department to consult with ARB.

#### **Author Amendments:** These amendments would do the following:

- Extend the timeline in the bill to 2200 GWP for 2025, 1400 GWP for 2030, and 750 GWP for 2033.
- Require that HFC's that are not reclaimed cannot be used to replenish leaks in state owned or operated equipment.
- Add the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the Department of Industrial Relations, and the Contractors State License Board to the list of departments that ARB can consult with to prepare their proposal to the Legislature.

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