
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anthony Portantino, Chair
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SB 887 (Becker) - Electricity: transmission facility planning

Version: April 4, 2022

Urgency: No

Hearing Date: May 19, 2022

Policy Vote: E., U., & C. 13 - 0

Mandate: Yes

Consultant: Ashley Ames

Bill Summary: This bill would adjust the planning horizon for the annual electricity transmission plan from 10-years to 15-years, and would require consideration of approval of at least two transmission projects as part of the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) 2022-23 transmission planning process.

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

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

Fiscal Impact:

- Unknown costs, likely in the hundreds of thousands of dollars annually (ratepayer funds), for the California Public Utilities Committee (CPUC) to implement the provisions of this bill.

Author Amendments: These amendments would eliminate the requirement to "eliminate" reliance on carbon-emitting resources in locally constrained areas by 2035, and instead require that reliance on these resources be "substantially reduced." The amendments would also clarify that the source of required projections is to be from existing data and processes at the PUC and CEC, to the extent possible. They would also make other clarifying changes.

Committee Amendments: These amendments would add coauthors.

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