
SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW

Senator John Laird, Chair
2025 - 2026 Regular

Bill No:	AB 178	Hearing Date:	August 31, 2026
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Version:	August 28, 2026	As amended	
Urgency:	No	Fiscal:	Yes
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Subject: Resources

Summary: This bill is the omnibus Resources budget trailer bill. It contains provisions necessary to implement the 2026 Budget Act.

Proposed Law: This bill:

- 1) Appropriates \$150,000 General Fund to the Department of Parks and Recreation (Parks) and requires Parks, no later than April 1, 2027, and in consultation with the California Coastal Commission, California Transportation Agency, and the Monterey County District 5 Supervisor, to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature related to parking concerns and public safety near the Point Lobos State Natural Reserve, as specified.
- 2) Provides \$60 million one-time from the Beverage Container Recycling Fund to support Local Conservation Corps.
- 3) Establishes the Farmland Access and Conservation for Thriving Communities Act at the Department of Conservation (DOC).
 - a) Requires DOC to administer the Farmland Access and Conservation for Thriving Communities Program and provide grants and related technical assistance to qualified entities, as specified.

Fiscal Effect: The funding related to the changes in this bill is contained in the 2026 Budget Act.

Support: None received.

Opposed: None received.

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