SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anna Caballero, Chair 2025 - 2026 Regular Session

AB 399 (Boerner) - Coastal resources: coastal development permits: blue carbon demonstration projects

Version: June 25, 2025 **Policy Vote:** N.R. & W. 5 - 2

Urgency: No Mandate: No

Hearing Date: August 29, 2025 **Consultant:** Ashley Ames

Bill Summary: This bill would allow the California Coastal Commission to authorize blue carbon demonstration projects, as provided.

****** ANALYSIS ADDENDUM - SUSPENSE FILE ********

The following information is revised to reflect amendments adopted by the committee on August 29, 2025

Fiscal Impact:

The Coastal Commission estimates ongoing costs of approximately \$240,000 annually (General Fund, Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, or other special fund) for one position to conduct the additional level of project coordination, review, analysis and ongoing mitigation monitoring required by this bill. The Commission notes that its workload would be expected to increase over time as increased funding for more resilience/adaptation/nature-based solutions would generate additional project proposals and ongoing, long-term monitoring.

Committee Amendments: These amendments would make the bill contingent upon an appropriation.