

SENATE THIRD READING

SB 105 (Wiener)

As Amended September 8, 2025

Majority vote. Budget Bill Appropriation Takes Effect Immediately

SUMMARY

Amends the 2025 Budget Act to reflect changes to the budget as a result of the September 2025 budget package. Specifically, *this bill*:

Major Provisions

2025-26 Proposition 4 Expenditures

- 1) Appropriates a total of \$3.287 billion from the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024 (Prop. 4), and approves 79.5 positions to implement the bond, with:
 - a) \$1.2 billion for Safe Drinking Water, Drought, Flood, and Water Resilience,
 - b) \$416 million for Wildfire and Forest Resilience,
 - c) \$279 million for Coastal Resilience,
 - d) \$110 million for Extreme Heat Mitigation,
 - e) \$390 million for Biodiversity and Nature-Based Solutions
 - f) \$153 million for Climate Smart Agriculture,
 - g) \$466 million for Park Creation and Outdoor Access
 - h) \$275 million for Clean Air and Energy;

Greenhouse Gas Reduction Funds

- 2) Appropriates \$540 million Greenhouse Gas Reduction funds in 2025 for the following purposes:
 - a) \$368 million to the State Transportation Agency for transit operations and capital consistent with SB 125 (2023),
 - b) \$40 million to the Energy Commission for medium and heavy duty zero-emission vehicle infrastructure, including hydrogen and electric,
 - c) \$7 million to the Department of Food and Agriculture for livestock methane reduction,
 - d) \$100 million to the Air Resources Board for AB 617,

- e) \$25 million Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the Air Resources Board for district based Clean Cars for All programs and limits car replacements to those model year 2004 or older;

HR 1 Response

- 3) Includes up to \$254.8 million (\$102.7 million General Fund) for costs associated with responding to the federal government's enactment of HR 1 and other federal policy changes including:
 - a) \$53.6 million (\$26.2 million General Fund) to resource multiple, multi-year activities that are part of the Administration's CalFresh Payment Error Rate mitigation strategy and that are necessary to implement non-discretionary policy provisions of the federal H.R. 1 (Public Law 119-21).
 - b) Up to \$30 million (\$15 million General Fund) for CalFresh automation to further address the CalFresh Payment Error Rate,
 - c) \$20 million General Fund for emergency food bank support to help mitigate anticipated harmful effects due to the enactment H.R. 1, augmenting the \$60 million General Fund provided for food banks (also called the CalFood program) in the June 2025 Budget Act
 - d) \$40 million (\$20 million General Fund) for county administration for H.R. 1 provisions related to Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWDS), who will imminently experience new work requirements due to the federal law,
 - e) \$294,000 General Fund one-time for the California Health and Human Services Agency (CalHHS or Agency) to fund an Attorney 3 position for the significant increase in workload for CalHHS with Agency's involvement in H.R. 1 and other federal issues,
 - f) \$1 million special fund to support California's application for the Rural Health Transformation program,
 - g) \$15 million special fund to defray costs of continuing gender-affirming care coverage, after federal rules eliminated it as an essential health benefit,
 - h) \$1.2 million special fund for healthcare reporting for the Minimum Staffing Standards for Long-Term Care Facilities and Medicaid Institutional Payment Transparency Reporting Final Rule,
 - i) \$2.5 million (\$1.25 million General Fund) for technical assistance to comply with citizen verification activities mandated by federal direction,
 - j) \$20 million General Fund to the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development to promote travel and tourism,

- k) \$71.2 special fund for Reproductive health is also included as the appropriation for the September health trailer bill;

Other Major Provisions

- 4) Includes an additional \$13.75 million for services to immigrant communities, including \$8.75 million for specified immigrant legal services and \$5 million General Fund to the Immigration Services Program, administered by the California Department of Social Services (also called "One California"), which augments the \$10 million that was provided above baseline funding in the 2025 Budget Act;
- 5) Provides \$6 million to support implementation of pending legislation that establishes the Bureau for Descendants of American Slavery, subject to enactment at the Civil Rights Department.
- 6) Creates a new item in the 2024 and 2025 Budget Acts to support the Public Interest Attorney Loan Repayment Account at the California Student Aid Commission, which provides loan repayment assistance to attorneys who practice in various areas of non-profit or public interest law;
- 7) Increases support for the California State Library by increasing the amount of funds available to the Library from a federal grant that was recently re-instated.
- 8) Reverts up to \$68.2 million from the California State Library from the Statewide Imagination Library program, and moves funding to the Department of General Services, which will take over administration of the program;
- 9) Amends language providing funding to the University of California academic health centers for the establishment or expansion of menopause programs by stating that each participating campus shall collaborate to ensure standardization and each program shall be modeled after the existing UCLA Comprehensive Menopause Program and under the direction of a menopause expert;
- 10) Reappropriates up to \$12.6 million from the 2024 Budget Act for the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training to support local law enforcement trainings, including the "Tools of Tolerance" training operated by the Simon Wiesenthal Center-Museum of Tolerance;
- 11) Reappropriates up to \$57 million from the 2024 Budget Act for the Adult Reentry Grant administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections;
- 12) Appropriates \$10 million from the Motor Vehicle Account to the Department of Motor Vehicles to build a database to share license information consistent with federal REAL ID regulations, subject to future legislation;

- 13) Directs the Department of Finance to examine loan or financing options to assist local transit agencies and local government entities in Los Angeles County facing responsibilities due to the January 2025 wildfires;
- 14) Identifies specific General Fund expenditures assumed in the June 2025 Budget package; and
- 15) Makes technical and conforming changes to provisions of the 2023, 2024, and 2025 budget act.

COMMENTS

This bill amends the 2025 Budget Act (SB 101 (Wiener), Chapter 4 Statutes of 2025, AB 102 (Gabriel), Chapter 5 Statutes of 2025, and AB 104 (Gabriel), Chapter 77 Statutes of 2025) to reflect changes contained in the September budget package. The June 2025 budget package deferred action on some items to allow more deliberation, with the intent that the Legislature would revisit the budget at the end of the 2025 Legislative Session. The allocation of Proposition 4 bond funds being of particular significance and note as an example of a budget item that was anticipated in June, but finalized in this September bill.

Since this bill is a continuation of June budget discussions, the total expenditures and revenues for the state are largely unchanged, with most of the funding allocated in the bill already assumed in the 2025 estimates of the budget. However, this budget package does include a net \$68.8 million in new General Fund expenditures above these estimates associated with activities to respond to HR1 and other federal actions.

According to the Author

This bill implements the September 2025 Budget Package.

Arguments in Support

None on file.

Arguments in Opposition

None on file.

FISCAL COMMENTS

The September Budget Package is estimated by the Department of Finance to have a net cost of \$68.8 million General Fund above the June budget package.

VOTES

SENATE FLOOR: 28-10-2

YES: Allen, Archuleta, Arreguín, Ashby, Becker, Blakespear, Cabaldon, Caballero, Cervantes, Cortese, Durazo, Gonzalez, Grayson, Hurtado, Laird, Limón, McGuire, McNerney, Menjivar, Padilla, Pérez, Richardson, Rubio, Smallwood-Cuevas, Umberg, Wahab, Weber Pierson, Wiener

NO: Alvarado-Gil, Choi, Dahle, Grove, Jones, Niello, Ochoa Bogh, Seyarto, Strickland, Valladares

ABS, ABST OR NV: Reyes, Stern

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