SENATE THIRD READING

SB 153 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review)

As Amended September 08, 2025

Majority vote. Budget Bill Appropriation Takes Effect Immediately

SUMMARY

This bill is the omnibus Transportation budget trailer bill. It contains provisions necessary to implement the 2025 Budget Act.

Major Provisions

- 1) State Route 185 Weight Limit. Authorizes the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to issue permits to operate vehicles or mobile equipment on the 1.7-mile portion of State Route 185 in the City of Oakland if it meets specified criteria until December 31, 2031, or until an alternate truck route becomes available. The bill also requires the City of Oakland to report certain data to the Legislature and the Department of Transportation by January 1, 2031.
- 2) *Charter Bus Services*. Authorizes specified entities to provide charter bus services during the 2026 FIFA World Cup in the County of Los Angeles and greater San Francisco Bay Area.
- 3) *Mobile Driver License*. Increases the percentage of licensed drivers who can participate in a pilot mobile driver license program from 5% to 15%.
- 4) Transport Refrigeration Unit (TRU) Fee. Authorizes the State Air Resources Board to impose a fee on regulated entities under the Transport Refrigeration Unit program for implementation, administration, and enforcement. The fee shall be set to the amount as of January 1, 2025 and increase annually based on the Consumer Price Index. The fee as of January 1, 2025 is \$45 every three years, or \$23 every three years for zero-emission TRUs.
- 5) Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP). Exempts the \$132 million appropriated to the State Air Resources Board for the Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project from the Administrative Procedure Act, consistent with other funding sources.
- 6) Low Carbon Transit Operations Program Statutory Relief. Clarifies the allocation formula for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program is paused from 2019-20 to 2025-26, inclusive.

COMMENTS

According to the Author

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Arguments in Support

None on file.

Arguments in Opposition

None on file.

FISCAL COMMENTS

This bill appropriates \$1,000 from the Air Pollution Control Fund to the State Air Resources Board for implementation of the Transport Refrigeration Unit regulation.

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,

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ABS, ABST OR NV: Reyes, Stern

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