SENATE THIRD READING
SB 184 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review)
As Amended August 28, 2026
Majority vote. Budget Bill Appropriation Takes Effect Immediately

SUMMARY

This general government trailer bill contains the necessary changes to implement provisions adopted as part of the Budget Act of 2026.

Major Provisions

1) *Vehicle License Fee* (*VLF) Shortfall Intent:* Includes legislative intent that the State of California work collaboratively with the representatives of the San Mateo, Alpine, and Mono counties, and the County of San Mateo, cities within those counties, and other potentially impacted cities and counties to develop mutually agreeable legislative and fiscal solutions to the local revenue shortfall from the vehicle license fees state backfill.

2) *Victims of Corporate Fraud Compensation Fund:* Prohibits the Secretary of State from accepting new claimants for payment from the Victims of Corporate Fraud Compensation Fund and requires the Secretary of State to wind down the fund.

3) *Bond Authority Extinguishment:* Reduces the bond authority to amounts previously issued and expended for bond acts approved from 1988 through 2002, including the Class Size Reduction Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 1998, the California Reading and Literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2000, the Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2000, the Voting Modernization Bond Act of 2002, the Veterans' Homes Bond Act of 2000, the New Prison Construction Bond Act of 1988, and the New Prison Construction Bond Act of 1990.

4) *California Education Learning Laboratory:* Clarifies that the California Education Learning Lab funding is grant funding.

5) *POST Public Records Act (PRA):* Extends the sunset date from January 1, 2027, to January 1, 2028, and updates required timelines for a temporary, limited exemption for the Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training from the disclosure of certain records pursuant to the California Public Records Act. The exemption was created in AB 134 (Committee on Budget), Chapter 10, Statutes of 2023, and applied to specified records provided to the commission by law enforcement agencies related to Section 13510.8 of the Penal Code. The exemption does not apply to records created by the commission or records not otherwise available from other agencies and provides a process for forwarding requests to the agency that provided the records to the commission.

6) *Camp Coombs:* Extends the sunset date for the Department of General Services authorization to sell or exchange the state-owned parcel known as "Camp Boons" to the County of Napa, from January 1, 2026, to June 30, 2028.

7) *Middle Mile Broadband Initiative:* Revises contract prohibition and authorization language associated with the Middle Mile Broadband Initiative to remove references to contract amendment and assignment.

8) *State Leadership Accountability Act:* Makes technical and conforming to the State Leadership Accountability Act to align with current federal guidance on government risk management and to adjust reporting provisions for reports and audits.

9) *Partial Parcel Transfers:* Authorizes the Director of General Services, until January 1, 2031, to convey a portion of property the state received from a local government back to a local government with jurisdiction over that area, provided specific conditions are met.

10) *Department of General Services Procurement Procedures:* Clarifies posting requirements related to the Department of General Services' contact and procurement processes.

COMMENTS

This general government trailer bill contains the necessary changes to implement provisions adopted as part of the Budget Act of 2025.

According to the Author
None on file.

Arguments in Support
None on file.

Arguments in Opposition
None on file.

FISCAL COMMENTS

The California Constitution requires that the proceeds from the sale of surplus state property be used to pay the principal and interest on bonds issued pursuant to the Economic Recovery Bond Act, until the principal and interest on those bonds are fully paid, the final payment of which was made in the 2015–16 fiscal year, after which these proceeds are required to be deposited into the Special Fund for Economic Uncertainties, a continuously appropriated fund.

This bill increases the amount transferred into the Special Fund for Economic Uncertainties, a continuously appropriated fund, thereby making an appropriation

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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