

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 29, 2012

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2200

Introduced by Assembly Member Ma

February 23, 2012

An act to add Section 21655.10 to the Vehicle Code, relating to ~~transportation~~ vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2200, as amended, Ma. ~~High-occupancy—Vehicles:~~ *high-occupancy* vehicle lanes.

Existing law authorizes the Department of Transportation and local agencies, with respect to highways under their respective jurisdictions, to designate certain lanes for preferential or exclusive use by high-occupancy vehicles.

~~This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to high-occupancy vehicle lanes.~~

This bill would, consistent with the state implementation plan for the San Francisco Bay area adopted pursuant to the federal Clean Air Act and other federal requirements, permit a vehicle with 2 or more occupants to utilize highway lanes designated for high-occupancy vehicles in the Interstate 80 corridor under the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's jurisdiction. Because the commission would be required to post signage of the above requirements along the Interstate 80 corridor, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Interstate 80 corridor in the San Francisco Bay area.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~-yes.
State-mandated local program: ~~no~~-yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 21655.10 is added to the Vehicle Code,
2 to read:

3 21655.10. To the extent consistent with the state implementation
4 plan for the San Francisco Bay area adopted pursuant to the
5 federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 7401 et seq.) and other
6 requirements pursuant to federal law, a vehicle with two or more
7 occupants shall be permitted to utilize highway lanes designated
8 for high-occupancy vehicles, pursuant to Section 21655.5 or
9 21655.8, in the Interstate 80 corridor within the Metropolitan
10 Transportation Commission’s jurisdiction.

11 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special law
12 is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable
13 within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California
14 Constitution because of the unique nature of the Interstate 80
15 corridor in the San Francisco Bay area.

16 SEC. 3. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that
17 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to
18 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made
19 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division
20 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

21 ~~SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact~~
22 ~~legislation relating to high-occupancy vehicle lanes.~~

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