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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 355**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member ~~Cooley Ting~~  
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Cooley)**

February 13, 2013

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~~An act relating to emergency medical services, and making an appropriation therefor.~~ *An act relating to property tax agents.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 355, as amended, ~~Cooley Ting. Emergency medical services: mobile field hospitals.~~ *Property tax agents.*

*Existing law requires county boards to meet to equalize the assessment of property on the local roll, as provided, and authorizes a taxpayer, represented in some circumstances by a property tax agent, to apply to a county assessment appeals board for an assessment reduction under a variety of circumstances, including for a reduction of the base year value, as defined, of real property.*

*This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to improve the tax appeals process and create transparency by establishing a public registration process for property tax agents.*

~~Existing law establishes the Emergency Medical Services Authority in the Health and Welfare Agency to administer a statewide system of~~

~~coordinated emergency medical care, injury prevention, and disaster medical response.~~

~~This bill would appropriate \$1,000,000 from the General Fund to the Emergency Medical Services Authority to continue the Mobile Field Hospital program. The bill would also make legislative findings and declarations.~~

~~Vote:  $\frac{2}{3}$ -majority. Appropriation: yes-no. Fiscal committee: yes no. State-mandated local program: no.~~

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

1     ~~SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to improve the~~  
2     ~~property tax appeals process and create transparency by~~  
3     ~~establishing a public registration process for property tax agents.~~

4     ~~SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the~~  
5     ~~following:~~

6     ~~(a) California has a history of devastating natural disasters,~~  
7     ~~including, but not limited to, earthquakes and floods.~~

8     ~~(b) The Uniform California Earthquake Rupture Forecast model~~  
9     ~~predicts that California will experience a magnitude 6.7 or larger~~  
10    ~~earthquake in the next 30 years.~~

11    ~~(c) Mobile field hospitals have been deployed around the world~~  
12    ~~in response to natural disasters and public health emergencies.~~

13    ~~(d) California invested in three 200 bed mobile field hospitals~~  
14    ~~as part of the state's disaster preparedness plan to protect citizens~~  
15    ~~and provide critical medical services in a time of need. However,~~  
16    ~~due to a lack of programmatic funding, the state will be forced to~~  
17    ~~sell the mobile field hospitals at a fraction of the program's initial~~  
18    ~~cost.~~

19    ~~SEC. 2. The sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) is hereby~~  
20    ~~appropriated from the General Fund to the Emergency Medical~~  
21    ~~Services Authority for purposes of continuing the Mobile Field~~  
22    ~~Hospital program.~~

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