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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1169

Introduced by Assembly Member Gomez

February 27, 2015

An act to ~~amend Section 75125 of the Public Resources~~ *add Section 12815 to the Government Code*, relating to public resources.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1169, as amended, Gomez. Strategic Growth Council: state funding signs.

Existing law establishes the Strategic Growth Council in state government that consists of various heads of state agencies and certain other members. Existing law requires the council to engage in certain activities, including identifying and reviewing activities and funding programs of member state agencies that may be coordinated to improve air and water quality, ~~improving~~ *improve* natural resources protection, ~~increasing~~ *increase* the availability of affordable housing, ~~improving~~ *improve* transportation, ~~meeting~~ *meet the* goals of the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, ~~encouraging~~ *encourage* sustainable land use planning, and ~~revitalizing~~ *revitalize* urban and community centers in a sustainable manner. Existing law provides for the council to award grants and loans to support the planning and development of sustainable communities.

This bill would require recipients of state *grant* funding from the council or *its* member state agencies for certain projects to post signs

acknowledging the source of funds for the project pursuant to guidelines adopted by the council. The bill, if a project is funded from state and nonstate sources, would require the state funding source to be listed first if state funding equals 50% or more of total project costs.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 12815 is added to the Government Code,
2 to read:

3 12815. (a) For purposes of this section, “agency” means the
4 Strategic Growth Council established pursuant to Section 75121
5 of the Public Resources Code or any of its member agencies.

6 (b) An agency shall require all recipients of state grant funding
7 from the agency for a project located in a public space and that
8 provides public benefits, as determined by the agency, to post signs
9 acknowledging the sources of funds for the project. If the project
10 is funded from state and nonstate sources, the state funding sources
11 shall be listed first if the state funding equals 50 percent or more
12 of the total project costs.

13 (c) The Strategic Growth Council shall develop model guidelines
14 for the signage requirements.

15 (d) Each agency shall develop signage requirements for its
16 grant program consistent with the model guidelines developed
17 pursuant to subdivision (c).

18 SECTION 1. Section 75125 of the Public Resources Code is
19 amended to read:

20 75125. The council shall do all of the following:

21 (a) (1) Identify and review activities and funding programs of
22 member state agencies that may be coordinated to improve air and
23 water quality, improve natural resource protection, increase the
24 availability of affordable housing, improve transportation, meet
25 the goals of the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006
26 (Division 25.5 (commencing with Section 38500) of the Health
27 and Safety Code), encourage sustainable land use planning, and
28 revitalize urban and community centers in a sustainable manner.
29 At a minimum, the council shall review and comment on the
30 five-year infrastructure plan developed pursuant to Article 2
31 (commencing with Section 13100) of Chapter 2 of Part 3 of

1 ~~Division 3 of the Government Code and the State Environmental~~
2 ~~Goals and Policy Report developed pursuant to Section 65041 of~~
3 ~~the Government Code.~~

4 ~~(2) Require all recipients of state funding from the council or~~
5 ~~member state agencies for a project located in a public place and~~
6 ~~that provides public benefits as determined by the council, to post~~
7 ~~signs acknowledging the source of funds for the project, pursuant~~
8 ~~to guidelines adopted by the council. If a project is funded from~~
9 ~~state and nonstate sources, the state funding source shall be listed~~
10 ~~first if state funding equals 50 percent or more of total project~~
11 ~~costs.~~

12 ~~(b) Recommend policies and investment strategies and priorities~~
13 ~~to the Governor, the Legislature, and to appropriate state agencies~~
14 ~~to encourage the development of sustainable communities, such~~
15 ~~as those communities that promote equity, strengthen the economy,~~
16 ~~protect the environment, and promote public health and safety,~~
17 ~~consistent with subdivisions (a) and (c) of Section 75065.~~

18 ~~(c) Provide, fund, and distribute data and information to local~~
19 ~~governments and regional agencies that will assist in developing~~
20 ~~and planning sustainable communities.~~

21 ~~(d) Manage and award grants and loans to support the planning~~
22 ~~and development of sustainable communities, pursuant to Sections~~
23 ~~75127, 75128, and 75129. To implement this subdivision, the~~
24 ~~council may do all of the following:~~

25 ~~(1) Develop guidelines for awarding financial assistance,~~
26 ~~including criteria for eligibility and additional consideration.~~

27 ~~(2) Develop criteria for determining the amount of financial~~
28 ~~assistance to be awarded. The council shall award a revolving loan~~
29 ~~to an applicant for a planning project, unless the council determines~~
30 ~~that the applicant lacks the fiscal capacity to carry out the project~~
31 ~~without a grant. The council may establish criteria that would allow~~
32 ~~the applicant to illustrate an ongoing commitment of financial~~
33 ~~resources to ensure the completion of the proposed plan or project.~~

34 ~~(3) Provide for payments of interest on loans made pursuant to~~
35 ~~this article. The rate of interest shall not exceed the rate earned by~~
36 ~~the Pooled Money Investment Board.~~

37 ~~(4) Provide for the time period for repaying a loan made~~
38 ~~pursuant to this article.~~

39 ~~(5) Provide for the recovery of funds from an applicant that fails~~
40 ~~to complete the project for which financial assistance was awarded.~~

1 ~~The council shall direct the Controller to recover funds by any~~
2 ~~available means:~~
3 ~~(6) Provide technical assistance for application preparation.~~
4 ~~(7) Designate a state agency or department to administer~~
5 ~~technical and financial assistance programs for the disbursing of~~
6 ~~grants and loans to support the planning and development of~~
7 ~~sustainable communities, pursuant to Sections 75127, 75128, and~~
8 ~~75129.~~
9 ~~(e) No later than July 1, 2010, and every year thereafter, provide~~
10 ~~a report to the Legislature that shall include, but is not limited to,~~
11 ~~all of the following:~~
12 ~~(1) A list of applicants for financial assistance.~~
13 ~~(2) Identification of which applications were approved.~~
14 ~~(3) The amounts awarded for each approved application.~~
15 ~~(4) The remaining balance of available funds.~~
16 ~~(5) A report on the proposed or ongoing management of each~~
17 ~~funded project.~~
18 ~~(6) Any additional minimum requirements and priorities for a~~
19 ~~project or plan proposed in a grant or loan application developed~~
20 ~~and adopted by the council pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section~~
21 ~~75126.~~