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**HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE - HSC**

**DIVISION 101. ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH [100100 - 101997]** (*Division 101 added by Stats. 1995, Ch. 415, Sec. 3.*)

**PART 3. LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS [101000 - 101490]** (*Part 3 added by Stats. 1995, Ch. 415, Sec. 3.*)

**CHAPTER 3. State Aid for Local Health Administration [101175 - 101320.5]** (*Chapter 3 added by Stats. 1995, Ch. 415, Sec. 3.*)

**ARTICLE 4. Transfer of Environmental Health and Sanitation Services [101275 - 101285]** (*Article 4 added by Stats. 1995, Ch. 415, Sec. 3.*)

**101275.** Notwithstanding Section 101260, a county board of supervisors may, with the concurrence of the director, transfer the total function of providing environmental health and sanitation services and programs to a comprehensive environmental agency of the county other than the county health department. The county shall continue to receive funds appropriated for the purposes of this article if it complies with all other minimum standards established by the department and if the environmental health and sanitation services and programs are maintained at levels of quality and efficiency equal to or higher than the levels of the services and programs formerly provided by the county health department.

(Amended by Stats. 1996, Ch. 1023, Sec. 302.4. Effective September 29, 1996.)

**101280.** If a transfer authorized by Section 101275 is made:

- (a) Each agency shall employ as the immediate supervisor of the environmental health and sanitation services a director of environmental health who is a registered environmental health specialist and the agency shall employ an adequate number of registered environmental health specialists to carry on the program of environmental health and sanitation services.
- (b) Wherever, in any statute, regulation, resolution, or order, a power is granted to, or a duty is imposed upon, a county health officer or county health department pertaining to environmental health and sanitation services and programs transferred by the board of supervisors, these powers and duties shall be delegated by the local health officer to the director of environmental health, who shall thereafter administer these powers and duties.
- (c) The department shall adopt regulations pertaining to minimum program and personnel requirements of environmental health and sanitation services and programs. The department shall periodically review these programs to determine if minimum requirements are met.
- (d) Whenever the board of supervisors determines that the expenses of its environmental health director in the enforcement of any statute, order, quarantine, or regulation prescribed by a state officer or department relating to environmental health and sanitation are not met by any fees prescribed by the state, the board may adopt an ordinance or resolution prescribing fees that will pay the reasonable expenses of the environmental health director incurred in enforcement. The schedule of fees prescribed by ordinance or resolution of the board of supervisors shall be applicable in the area in which the environmental health director enforces any statute, order, quarantine, rule, or regulation prescribed by a state officer or department relating to environmental health and sanitation.

(Amended by Stats. 1996, Ch. 1023, Sec. 302.5. Effective September 29, 1996.)

**101285.** (a) Notwithstanding Section 101260, the county board of supervisors may, with the concurrence of the county officer providing the services, transfer all or any portion of the function of providing vector control services to any mosquito abatement and vector control district formed pursuant to the Mosquito Abatement and Vector Control District Law, Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 2000) of Division 3, provided that the district's boundaries include that territory.

(b) A county that transfers vector control services to a district shall continue to receive funds appropriated for the purposes of this article if that county complies with all of the other minimum standards and if the vector control program is maintained at a level that meets the minimum standards set by the department.

(Amended by Stats. 2002, Ch. 395, Sec. 8. Effective January 1, 2003.)

