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DIVISION 24. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING [33000 - 37964] (*Heading of Division 24 amended by Stats. 1975, Ch. 1137.*)

PART 1.85. DISSOLUTION OF REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND DESIGNATION OF SUCCESSOR AGENCIES [34170 - 34191.6] (*Part 1.85 added by Stats. 2011, 1st Ex. Sess., Ch. 5, Sec. 7.*)

CHAPTER 3. Successor Agencies [34177 - 34178.8] (*Chapter 3 added by Stats. 2011, 1st Ex. Sess., Ch. 5, Sec. 7.*)

34177. Successor agencies are required to do all of the following:

(a) Continue to make payments due for enforceable obligations.

(1) On and after February 1, 2012, and until a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule becomes operative, only payments required pursuant to an enforceable obligations payment schedule shall be made. The initial enforceable obligation payment schedule shall be the last schedule adopted by the redevelopment agency under Section 34169. However, payments associated with obligations excluded from the definition of enforceable obligations by paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 34171 shall be excluded from the enforceable obligations payment schedule and be removed from the last schedule adopted by the redevelopment agency under Section 34169 prior to the successor agency adopting it as its enforceable obligations payment schedule pursuant to this subdivision. The enforceable obligation payment schedule may be amended by the successor agency at any public meeting and shall be subject to the approval of the oversight board as soon as the board has sufficient members to form a quorum. In recognition of the fact that the timing of the California Supreme Court's ruling in the case *California Redevelopment Association v. Matosantos* (2011) 53 Cal.4th 231 delayed the preparation by successor agencies and the approval by oversight boards of the January 1, 2012, through June 30, 2012, Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule, a successor agency may amend the Enforceable Obligation Payment Schedule to authorize the continued payment of enforceable obligations until the time that the January 1, 2012, through June 30, 2012, Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule has been approved by the oversight board and by the department. The successor agency may utilize reasonable estimates and projections to support payment amounts for enforceable obligations if the successor agency submits appropriate supporting documentation of the basis for the estimate or projection to the Department of Finance and the auditor-controller.

(2) The department, the county auditor-controller, and the Controller shall each have the authority to require any documents associated with the enforceable obligations to be provided to them in a manner of their choosing. Any taxing entity, the department, and the Controller shall each have standing to file a judicial action to prevent a violation under this part and to obtain injunctive or other appropriate relief.

(3) Commencing on the date the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule is valid pursuant to subdivision (l), only those payments listed in the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule may be made by the successor agency from the funds specified in the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule. In addition, after it becomes valid, the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule shall supersede the Statement of Indebtedness, which shall no longer be prepared nor have any effect under the Community Redevelopment Law (Part 1 (commencing with Section 33000)).

(4) Nothing in the act adding this part is to be construed as preventing a successor agency, with the prior approval of the oversight board, as described in Section 34179, from making payments for enforceable obligations from sources other than those listed in the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule.

(5) From February 1, 2012, to July 1, 2012, a successor agency shall have no authority and is hereby prohibited from accelerating payment or making any lump-sum payments that are intended to prepay loans unless such accelerated repayments were required prior to the effective date of this part.

(b) Maintain reserves in the amount required by indentures, trust indentures, or similar documents governing the issuance of outstanding redevelopment agency bonds.

(c) Perform obligations required pursuant to any enforceable obligation.

(d) Remit unencumbered balances of redevelopment agency funds to the county auditor-controller for distribution to the taxing entities, including, but not limited to, the unencumbered balance of the Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund of a former redevelopment agency. In making the distribution, the county auditor-controller shall utilize the same methodology for allocation and distribution of property tax revenues provided in Section 34188.

(e) Dispose of assets and properties of the former redevelopment agency as directed by the oversight board; provided, however, that the oversight board may instead direct the successor agency to transfer ownership of certain assets pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 34181. The disposal is to be done expeditiously and in a manner aimed at maximizing value. Proceeds from asset sales and related funds that are no longer needed for approved development projects or to otherwise wind down the affairs of the agency, each as determined by the oversight board, shall be transferred to the county auditor-controller for distribution as property tax proceeds under Section 34188. The requirements of this subdivision shall not apply to a successor agency that has been issued a finding of completion by the department pursuant to Section 34179.7.

(f) Enforce all former redevelopment agency rights for the benefit of the taxing entities, including, but not limited to, continuing to collect loans, rents, and other revenues that were due to the redevelopment agency.

(g) Effectuate transfer of housing functions and assets to the appropriate entity designated pursuant to Section 34176.

(h) Expeditiously wind down the affairs of the redevelopment agency pursuant to the provisions of this part and in accordance with the direction of the oversight board.

(i) Continue to oversee development of properties until the contracted work has been completed or the contractual obligations of the former redevelopment agency can be transferred to other parties. Bond proceeds shall be used for the purposes for which bonds were sold unless the purposes can no longer be achieved, in which case, the proceeds may be used to defease the bonds.

(j) Prepare a proposed administrative budget and submit it to the oversight board for its approval. The proposed administrative budget shall include all of the following:

(1) Estimated amounts for successor agency administrative costs for the upcoming six-month fiscal period.

(2) Proposed sources of payment for the costs identified in paragraph (1).

(3) Proposals for arrangements for administrative and operations services provided by a city, county, city and county, or other entity.

(k) Provide administrative cost estimates, from its approved administrative budget that are to be paid from property tax revenues deposited in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund, to the county auditor-controller for each six-month fiscal period.

(l) (1) Before each fiscal period set forth in subdivision (m) or (o), as applicable, prepare a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule in accordance with the requirements of this paragraph. For each recognized obligation, the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule shall identify one or more of the following sources of payment:

(A) Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund.

(B) Bond proceeds.

(C) Reserve balances.

(D) Administrative cost allowance.

(E) The Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund, but only to the extent no other funding source is available or when payment from property tax revenues is required by an enforceable obligation or by the provisions of this part.

(F) Other revenue sources, including rents, concessions, asset sale proceeds, interest earnings, and any other revenues derived from the former redevelopment agency, as approved by the oversight board in accordance with this part.

(2) A Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule shall not be deemed valid unless all of the following conditions have been met:

(A) A Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule is prepared by the successor agency for the enforceable obligations of the former redevelopment agency. The initial schedule shall project the dates and amounts of scheduled payments for each enforceable obligation for the remainder of the time period during which the redevelopment agency would have been authorized to obligate property tax increment had the redevelopment agency not been dissolved.

(B) The Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule is submitted to and duly approved by the oversight board. The successor agency shall submit a copy of the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to the county administrative officer, the county

auditor-controller, and the department at the same time that the successor agency submits the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to the oversight board for approval.

(C) A copy of the approved Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule is submitted to the county auditor-controller, the Controller's office, and the Department of Finance, and is posted on the successor agency's Internet Web site.

(3) The Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule shall be forward looking to the next six months or one year pursuant to subdivision (m) or (o), as applicable. The first Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule shall be submitted to the Controller's office and the department by April 15, 2012, for the period of January 1, 2012, to June 30, 2012, inclusive. This Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule shall include all payments made by the former redevelopment agency between January 1, 2012, through January 31, 2012, and shall include all payments proposed to be made by the successor agency from February 1, 2012, through June 30, 2012. Former redevelopment agency enforceable obligation payments due, and reasonable or necessary administrative costs due or incurred, prior to January 1, 2012, shall be made from property tax revenues received in the spring of 2011 property tax distribution, and from other revenues and balances transferred to the successor agency.

(m) (1) The Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the period of January 1, 2013, to June 30, 2013, shall be submitted by the successor agency, after approval by the oversight board, no later than September 1, 2012. Commencing with the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule covering the period July 1, 2013, through December 31, 2013, successor agencies shall submit an oversight board-approved Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to the department and to the county auditor-controller no fewer than 90 days before the date of property tax distribution. The department shall make its determination of the enforceable obligations and the amounts and funding sources of the enforceable obligations no later than 45 days after the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule is submitted. Within five business days of the department's determination, a successor agency may request additional review by the department and an opportunity to meet and confer on disputed items, except for those items which are the subject of litigation disputing the department's previous or related determination. The meet and confer period may vary; an untimely submittal of a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule may result in a meet and confer period of less than 30 days. The department shall notify the successor agency and the county auditor-controllers as to the outcome of its review at least 15 days before the date of property tax distribution.

(A) The successor agency shall submit a copy of the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to the department electronically, and the successor agency shall complete the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule in the manner provided for by the department. A successor agency shall be in noncompliance with this paragraph if it only submits to the department an electronic message or a letter stating that the oversight board has approved a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule.

(B) If a successor agency does not submit a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule by the deadlines provided in this subdivision, the city, county, or city and county that created the redevelopment agency, if it is acting as the successor agency, shall be subject to a civil penalty equal to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per day for every day the schedule is not submitted to the department. The civil penalty shall be paid to the county auditor-controller for allocation to the taxing entities under Section 34183. If a successor agency fails to submit a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule by the deadline, any creditor of the successor agency or the Department of Finance or any affected taxing entity shall have standing to and may request a writ of mandate to require the successor agency to immediately perform this duty. Those actions may be filed only in the County of Sacramento and shall have priority over other civil matters. Additionally, if an agency does not submit a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule within 10 days of the deadline, the maximum administrative cost allowance for that period shall be reduced by 25 percent.

(C) If a successor agency fails to submit to the department an oversight board-approved Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule that complies with all requirements of this subdivision within five business days of the date upon which the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule is to be used to determine the amount of property tax allocations, the department may determine if any amount should be withheld by the county auditor-controller for payments for enforceable obligations from distribution to taxing entities, pending approval of a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule. The county auditor-controller shall distribute the portion of any of the sums withheld pursuant to this paragraph to the affected taxing entities in accordance with paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183 upon notice by the department that a portion of the withheld balances are in excess of the amount of enforceable obligations. The county auditor-controller shall distribute withheld funds to the successor agency only in accordance with a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule approved by the department. County auditor-controllers shall lack the authority to withhold any other amounts from the allocations provided for under Section 34183 or 34188 unless required by a court order.

(D) (i) The Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule payments required pursuant to this subdivision may be scheduled beyond the existing Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule cycle upon a showing that a lender requires cash on hand beyond the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule cycle.

(ii) When a payment is shown to be due during the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule period, but an invoice or other billing document has not yet been received, the successor agency may utilize reasonable estimates and projections

to support payment amounts for enforceable obligations if the successor agency submits appropriate supporting documentation of the basis for the estimate or projection to the department and the auditor-controller.

(iii) A Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule may also include appropriation of moneys from bonds subject to passage during the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule cycle when an enforceable obligation requires the agency to issue the bonds and use the proceeds to pay for project expenditures.

(2) The requirements of this subdivision shall apply until December 31, 2015.

(n) Cause a postaudit of the financial transactions and records of the successor agency to be made at least annually by a certified public accountant.

(o) (1) Commencing with the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule covering the period from July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, inclusive, and for each period from July 1 to June 30, inclusive, thereafter, a successor agency shall submit an oversight board-approved Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to the department and to the county auditor-controller no later than February 1, 2016, and each February 1 thereafter. The department shall make its determination of the enforceable obligations and the amounts and funding sources of the enforceable obligations no later than April 15, 2016, and each April 15 thereafter. Within five business days of the department's determination, a successor agency may request additional review by the department and an opportunity to meet and confer on disputed items, except for those items which are the subject of litigation disputing the department's previous or related determination. An untimely submittal of a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule may result in a meet and confer period of less than 30 days. The department shall notify the successor agency and the county auditor-controller as to the outcome of its review at least 15 days before the date of the first property tax distribution for that period.

(A) The successor agency shall submit a copy of the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to the department in the manner provided for by the department.

(B) If a successor agency does not submit a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule by the deadlines provided in this subdivision, the city, county, or city and county that created the redevelopment agency, if acting as the successor agency, shall be subject to a civil penalty equal to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per day for every day the schedule is not submitted to the department. The civil penalty shall be paid to the county auditor-controller for allocation to the taxing entities under Section 34183. If a successor agency fails to submit a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule by the deadline, any creditor of the successor agency or the department or any affected taxing entity shall have standing to, and may request a writ of mandate to, require the successor agency to immediately perform this duty. Those actions may be filed only in the County of Sacramento and shall have priority over other civil matters. Additionally, if an agency does not submit a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule within 10 days of the deadline, the maximum administrative cost for that period shall be reduced by 25 percent.

(C) If a successor agency fails to submit to the department an oversight board-approved Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule that complies with all requirements of this subdivision within five business days of the date upon which the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule is to be used to determine the amount of property tax allocations, the department may determine if any amount should be withheld by the county auditor-controller for payments for enforceable obligations from distribution to taxing entities, pending approval of a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule. The county auditor-controller shall distribute the portion of any of the sums withheld pursuant to this paragraph to the affected taxing entities in accordance with paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183 upon notice by the department that a portion of the withheld balances are in excess of the amount of enforceable obligations. The county auditor-controller shall distribute withheld funds to the successor agency only in accordance with a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule approved by the department. County auditor-controllers do not have the authority to withhold any other amounts from the allocations provided for under Section 34183 or 34188 except as required by a court order.

(D) (i) The Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule payments required pursuant to this subdivision may be scheduled beyond the existing Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule cycle upon a showing that a lender requires cash on hand beyond the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule cycle.

(ii) When a payment is shown to be due during the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule period, but an invoice or other billing document has not yet been received, the successor agency may utilize reasonable estimates and projections to support payment amounts for enforceable obligations if the successor agency submits appropriate supporting documentation of the basis for the estimate or projection to the department and the county auditor-controller.

(iii) A Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule may also include a request to use proceeds from bonds expected to be issued during the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule cycle when an enforceable obligation requires the agency to issue the bonds and use the proceeds to pay for project expenditures.

(E) Once per Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule period, and no later than October 1, a successor agency may submit one amendment to the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule approved by the department pursuant to this subdivision, if

the oversight board makes a finding that a revision is necessary for the payment of approved enforceable obligations during the second one-half of the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule period, which shall be defined as January 1 to June 30, inclusive. A successor agency may only amend the amount requested for payment of approved enforceable obligations. The revised Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule shall be approved by the oversight board and submitted to the department by electronic means in a manner of the department's choosing. The department shall notify the successor agency and the county auditor-controller as to the outcome of the department's review at least 15 days before the date of the property tax distribution.

(2) The requirements of this subdivision shall apply on and after January 1, 2016.

(Amended by Stats. 2015, Ch. 325, Sec. 6. (SB 107) Effective September 22, 2015.)

34177.3. (a) Successor agencies shall lack the authority to, and shall not, create new enforceable obligations or begin redevelopment work, except in compliance with an enforceable obligation, as defined by subdivision (d) of Section 34171, that existed prior to June 28, 2011.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), successor agencies may create enforceable obligations to conduct the work of winding down the redevelopment agency, including hiring staff, acquiring necessary professional administrative services and legal counsel, and procuring insurance. Except as required by an enforceable obligation, the work of winding down the redevelopment agency does not include planning, design, redesign, development, demolition, alteration, construction, construction financing, site remediation, site development or improvement, land clearance, seismic retrofits, and other similar work. Successor agencies may not create enforceable obligations to repay loans entered into between the redevelopment agency that it is succeeding and the city, county, or city and county that formed the redevelopment agency that it is succeeding, except as provided in Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 34191.1).

(c) Successor agencies shall lack the authority to, and shall not, transfer any powers or revenues of the successor agency to any other party, public or private, except pursuant to an enforceable obligation on a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule approved by the department. Any such transfers of authority or revenues that are not made pursuant to an enforceable obligation on a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule approved by the department are hereby declared to be void, and the successor agency shall take action to reverse any of those transfers. The Controller may audit any transfer of authority or revenues prohibited by this section and may order the prompt return of any money or other things of value from the receiving party.

(d) Redevelopment agencies that resolved to participate in the Voluntary Alternative Redevelopment Program under Chapter 6 of the First Extraordinary Session of the Statutes of 2011 were and are subject to the provisions of Part 1.8 (commencing with Section 34161). Any actions taken by redevelopment agencies to create obligations after June 27, 2011, are ultra vires and do not create enforceable obligations.

(e) The provisions of this section shall apply retroactively to any successor agency or redevelopment agency actions occurring on or after June 27, 2012.

(Amended by Stats. 2015, Ch. 325, Sec. 7. (SB 107) Effective September 22, 2015.)

34177.5. (a) In addition to the powers granted to each successor agency, and notwithstanding anything in the act adding this part, including, but not limited to, Sections 34162 and 34189, a successor agency shall have the authority, rights, and powers of the redevelopment agency to which it succeeded solely for the following purposes:

(1) For the purpose of issuing bonds or incurring other indebtedness to refund the bonds or other indebtedness of its former redevelopment agency or of the successor agency to provide savings to the successor agency, provided that (A) the total interest cost to maturity on the refunding bonds or other indebtedness plus the principal amount of the refunding bonds or other indebtedness shall not exceed the total remaining interest cost to maturity on the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded plus the remaining principal of the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded, and (B) the principal amount of the refunding bonds or other indebtedness shall not exceed the amount required to defease the refunded bonds or other indebtedness, to establish customary debt service reserves, and to pay related costs of issuance. If the foregoing conditions are satisfied, the initial principal amount of the refunding bonds or other indebtedness may be greater than the outstanding principal amount of the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded. The successor agency may pledge to the refunding bonds or other indebtedness the revenues pledged to the bonds or other indebtedness being refunded, and that pledge, when made in connection with the issuance of such refunding bonds or other indebtedness, shall have the same lien priority as the pledge of the bonds or other obligations to be refunded, and shall be valid, binding, and enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(2) For the purpose of issuing bonds or other indebtedness to finance debt service spikes, including balloon maturities, provided that (A) the existing indebtedness is not accelerated, except to the extent necessary to achieve substantially level debt service, and (B) the principal amount of the bonds or other indebtedness shall not exceed the amount required to finance the debt service spikes, including establishing customary debt service reserves and paying related costs of issuance.

(3) For the purpose of amending an existing enforceable obligation under which the successor agency is obligated to reimburse a political subdivision of the state for the payment of debt service on a bond or other obligation of the political subdivision, or to pay all or a portion of the debt service on the bond or other obligation of the political subdivision to provide savings to the successor agency, provided that (A) the enforceable obligation is amended in connection with a refunding of the bonds or other obligations of the political subdivision so that the enforceable obligation will apply to the refunding bonds or other refunding indebtedness of the political subdivision, (B) the total interest cost to maturity on the refunding bonds or other indebtedness plus the principal amount of the refunding bonds or other indebtedness shall not exceed the total remaining interest cost to maturity on the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded plus the remaining principal of the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded, and (C) the principal amount of the refunding bonds or other indebtedness shall not exceed the amount required to defease the refunded bonds or other indebtedness, to establish customary debt service reserves and to pay related costs of issuance. The pledge set forth in that amended enforceable obligation, when made in connection with the execution of the amendment of the enforceable obligation, shall have the same lien priority as the pledge in the enforceable obligation prior to its amendment and shall be valid, binding, and enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(4) For the purpose of issuing bonds or incurring other indebtedness to make payments under enforceable obligations when the enforceable obligations include the irrevocable pledge of property tax increment, formerly tax increment revenues prior to the effective date of this part, or other funds and the obligation to issue bonds secured by that pledge. The successor agency may pledge to the bonds or other indebtedness the property tax revenues and other funds described in the enforceable obligation, and that pledge, when made in connection with the issuance of the bonds or the incurring of other indebtedness, shall be valid, binding, and enforceable in accordance with its terms. This paragraph shall not be deemed to authorize a successor agency to increase the amount of property tax revenues pledged under an enforceable obligation or to pledge any property tax revenue not already pledged pursuant to an enforceable obligation. This paragraph does not constitute a change in, but is declaratory of, the existing law.

(b) The refunding bonds authorized under this section may be issued under the authority of Article 11 (commencing with Section 53580) of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code, and the refunding bonds may be sold at public or private sale, or to a joint powers authority pursuant to the Marks-Roos Local Bond Pooling Act (Article 4 (commencing with Section 6584) of Chapter 5 of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code).

(c) (1) Prior to incurring any bonds or other indebtedness pursuant to this section, the successor agency may subordinate to the bonds or other indebtedness the amount required to be paid to an affected taxing entity pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183, provided that the affected taxing entity has approved the subordinations pursuant to this subdivision.

(2) At the time the successor agency requests an affected taxing entity to subordinate the amount to be paid to it, the successor agency shall provide the affected taxing entity with substantial evidence that sufficient funds will be available to pay both the debt service on the bonds or other indebtedness and the payments required by paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183, when due.

(3) Within 45 days after receipt of the agency's request, the affected taxing entity shall approve or disapprove the request for subordination. An affected taxing entity may disapprove a request for subordination only if it finds, based upon substantial evidence, that the successor agency will not be able to pay the debt service payments and the amount required to be paid to the affected taxing entity. If the affected taxing entity does not act within 45 days after receipt of the agency's request, the request to subordinate shall be deemed approved and shall be final and conclusive.

(d) An action may be brought pursuant to Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 860) of Title 10 of Part 2 of the Code of Civil Procedure to determine the validity of bonds or other obligations authorized by this section, the pledge of revenues to those bonds or other obligations authorized by this section, the legality and validity of all proceedings theretofore taken and, as provided in the resolution of the legislative body of the successor agency authorizing the bonds or other obligations authorized by this section, proposed to be taken for the authorization, execution, issuance, sale, and delivery of the bonds or other obligations authorized by this section, and for the payment of debt service on the bonds or the payment of amounts under other obligations authorized by this section. Subdivision (c) of Section 33501 shall not apply to any such action. The department shall be notified of the filing of any action as an affected party.

(e) Notwithstanding any other law, including, but not limited to, Section 33501, an action to challenge the issuance of bonds, the incurrence of indebtedness, the amendment of an enforceable obligation, or the execution of a financing agreement by a successor agency shall be brought within 30 days after the date on which the oversight board approves the resolution of the successor agency approving the issuance of bonds, the incurrence of indebtedness, the amendment of an enforceable obligation, or the execution of a financing agreement authorized under this section.

(f) The actions authorized in this section shall be subject to the approval of the oversight board, as provided in Section 34180. Additionally, an oversight board may direct the successor agency to commence any of the transactions described in subdivision (a) so long as the successor agency is able to recover its related costs in connection with the transaction. After a successor agency, with approval of the oversight board, issues any bonds, incurs any indebtedness, or executes an amended enforceable obligation

pursuant to subdivision (a), the oversight board shall not unilaterally approve any amendments to or early termination of the bonds, indebtedness, or enforceable obligation. If, under the authority granted to it by subdivision (h) of Section 34179, the department either reviews and approves or fails to request review within five business days of an oversight board approval of an action authorized by this section, the scheduled payments on the bonds or other indebtedness shall be listed in the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule and shall not be subject to further review and approval by the department or the Controller. The department may extend its review time to 60 days for actions authorized in this section and may seek the assistance of the Treasurer in evaluating proposed actions under this section.

(g) Any bonds, indebtedness, or amended enforceable obligation authorized by this section shall be considered indebtedness incurred by the dissolved redevelopment agency, with the same legal effect as if the bonds, indebtedness, financing agreement, or amended enforceable obligation had been issued, incurred, or entered into prior to June 28, 2011, in full conformity with the applicable provisions of the Community Redevelopment Law that existed prior to that date, shall be included in the successor agency's Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule, and shall be secured by a pledge of, and lien on, and shall be repaid from moneys deposited from time to time in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund established pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 34172, as provided in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183. Property tax revenues pledged to any bonds, indebtedness, or amended enforceable obligations authorized by this section are taxes allocated to the successor agency pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 33670 and Section 16 of Article XVI of the California Constitution.

(h) The successor agency shall make diligent efforts to ensure that the lowest long-term cost financing is obtained. The financing shall not provide for any bullets or spikes and shall not use variable rates. The successor agency shall make use of an independent financial advisor in developing financing proposals and shall make the work products of the financial advisor available to the department at its request.

(i) If an enforceable obligation provides for an irrevocable commitment of revenue and where allocation of such revenues is expected to occur over time, the successor agency may petition the department by electronic means and in a manner of the department's choosing to provide written confirmation that its determination of such enforceable obligation as approved in a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule is final and conclusive, and reflects the department's approval of subsequent payments made pursuant to the enforceable obligation. The successor agency shall provide a copy of the petition to the county auditor-controller at the same time it is submitted to the department. The department shall have 100 days from the date of the request for a final and conclusive determination to provide written confirmation of approval or denial of the request. For any pending final and conclusive determination requests submitted prior to June 30, 2015, the department shall have until December 31, 2015, to provide written confirmation of approval or denial of the request. If the confirmation of approval is granted, then the department's review of such payments in future Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules shall be limited to confirming that they are required by the prior enforceable obligation.

(j) The successor agency may request that the department provide a written determination to waive the two-year statute of limitations on an action to review the validity of the adoption or amendment of a redevelopment plan pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 33500 or on any findings or determinations made by the agency pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 33500. The department at its discretion may provide a waiver if it determines it is necessary for the agency to fulfill an enforceable obligation.

(Amended by Stats. 2015, Ch. 325, Sec. 8. (SB 107) Effective September 22, 2015.)

34177.7. (a) (1) In addition to the powers granted to each successor agency, and notwithstanding anything in the act adding this part, including, but not limited to, Sections 34162 and 34189, the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco shall have the authority, rights, and powers of the Redevelopment Agency to which it succeeded solely for the purpose of issuing bonds or incurring other indebtedness to finance:

(A) The affordable housing required by the Mission Bay North Owner Participation Agreement, the Mission Bay South Owner Participation Agreement, the Disposition and Development Agreement for Hunters Point Shipyard Phase 1, the Candlestick Point-Hunters Point Shipyard Phase 2 Disposition and Development Agreement, and the Transbay Implementation Agreement.

(B) The infrastructure required by the Transbay Implementation Agreement.

(C) (i) The development, construction, repair, renovation, or reconstruction of up to 5,842 units of affordable housing by or on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco that shall be or remain affordable to, and occupied by, persons and families of low-, moderate-, extremely low, and very low income households for the longest feasible time, but not less than 55 years for rental units and 45 years for owner-occupied units.

(ii) For purposes of this subparagraph, and notwithstanding Section 34177.3, the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco may create enforceable obligations that are related to the issuance of bonds or incurrence of other indebtedness and may enter into any contracts or arrangements that are related to the development, construction, repair, renovation, or reconstruction of the units of affordable housing, so long as the expenses of any of those arrangements are paid solely from property tax revenues available in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust

Fund to the extent the property tax revenues represent the amount of revenues on deposit in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund that otherwise would have been distributed to the City and County of San Francisco pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183 remaining after the payment of debt service on the bonds or debt for the applicable fiscal year.

(iii) The successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco may enter into arrangements with the City and County of San Francisco for the purpose of providing the proceeds from the issuance of bonds or the incurrence of debt under this subparagraph to the City and County of San Francisco for development, construction, repair, renovation, or reconstruction of the units of affordable housing described in this subparagraph and to facilitate compliance with any obligations of the successor agency resulting from the issuance of bonds or incurrence of debt.

(iv) Any costs related to the issuance and administration of bonds issued or debt incurred that are not paid with the proceeds from the sale of those bonds or incurrence of debt shall be repaid solely from property tax revenues available in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund to the extent the property tax revenues represent the amount of revenues on deposit in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund that otherwise would have been distributed to the City and County of San Francisco pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183 remaining after the payment of debt service on the bonds or debt for the applicable fiscal year.

(2) (A) For purposes of financing the obligations described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of paragraph (1), the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco may pledge to the bonds or other indebtedness the property tax revenues available in the successor agency's Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund that are not otherwise obligated.

(B) For purposes of financing the development, construction, repair, renovation, or reconstruction of the units of affordable housing described in subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1), the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco may pledge to the bonds or other indebtedness issued, incurred, or entered into by the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco the property tax revenues available in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund to the extent the property tax revenues represent the amount of revenues on deposit in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund that otherwise would have been distributed to the City and County of San Francisco pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183. Property tax revenues allocated to the successor agency pursuant to this subparagraph for the development, construction, repair, renovation, or reconstruction of the units of affordable housing shall not include any moneys that are payable to local agencies other than the City and County of San Francisco, school districts that maintain kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, community college districts, or the Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund, pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183.

(b) Bonds issued pursuant to this section may be sold pursuant to either a negotiated or a competitive sale. The bonds issued or other indebtedness obligations incurred pursuant to this section may be issued or incurred on a parity basis with outstanding bonds or other indebtedness obligations of the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco and may pledge the revenues pledged to those outstanding bonds or other indebtedness obligations to the issuance of bonds or other obligations pursuant to this section. The pledge, when made in connection with the issuance of bonds or other indebtedness obligations under this section, shall have the same lien priority as the pledge of outstanding bonds or other indebtedness obligations, and shall be valid, binding, and enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) (1) Prior to issuing any bonds or incurring other indebtedness pursuant to subparagraph (A) or (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco may subordinate to the bonds or other indebtedness the amount required to be paid to an affected taxing entity pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183, provided that the affected taxing entity has approved the subordinations pursuant to this subdivision.

(2) At the time the agency requests an affected taxing entity to subordinate the amount to be paid to it, the agency shall provide the affected taxing entity with substantial evidence that sufficient funds will be available to pay both the debt service on the bonds or other indebtedness and the payments required by paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183, when due.

(3) Within 45 days after receipt of the agency's request, the affected taxing entity shall approve or disapprove the request for subordination. An affected taxing entity may disapprove a request for subordination only if it finds, based upon substantial evidence, that the successor agency will not be able to pay the debt service payments and the amount required to be paid to the affected taxing entity. If the affected taxing entity does not act within 45 days after receipt of the agency's request, the request to subordinate shall be deemed approved and shall be final and conclusive.

(d) Prior to issuing any bonds or incurring other indebtedness pursuant to subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco may subordinate to the bonds or other indebtedness the amount required to be paid to the City and County of San Francisco pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183, provided that the City and County of San Francisco has approved the subordinations.

(e) An action may be brought pursuant to Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 860) of Title 10 of Part 2 of the Code of Civil Procedure to determine the validity of bonds or other obligations authorized by this section, the pledge of revenues to those bonds or other obligations authorized by this section, the legality and validity of all proceedings theretofore taken and, as provided in the resolution of the legislative body of the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco authorizing the bonds or other indebtedness obligations authorized by this section, proposed to be taken for the authorization, execution, issuance, sale, and delivery of the bonds or other obligations authorized by this section, and for the payment of debt service on the bonds or the payment of amounts under other obligations authorized by this section. Subdivision (c) of Section 33501 shall not apply to any such action. The department shall be notified of the filing of any action as an affected party.

(f) Notwithstanding any other law, including, but not limited to, Section 33501, an action to challenge the issuance of bonds or the incurrence of indebtedness by the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco shall be brought within 30 days after the date on which the oversight board approves the resolution of the agency approving the issuance of bonds or the incurrence of indebtedness under this section.

(g) The actions authorized in this section shall be subject to the approval of the oversight board, as provided in Section 34180. Additionally, the oversight board may direct the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco to commence any of the transactions described in subdivision (a) so long as the agency is able to recover its related costs in connection with the transaction. After the agency, with approval of the oversight board, issues any bonds or incurs any indebtedness pursuant to subdivision (a), the oversight board shall not unilaterally approve any amendments to or early termination of the bonds or indebtedness. If, under the authority granted to it by subdivision (h) of Section 34179, the department either reviews and approves or fails to request review within five business days of an oversight board approval of an action authorized by this section, the scheduled payments on the bonds or other indebtedness shall be listed in the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule and shall not be subject to further review and approval by the department or the Controller. The department may extend its review time to 60 days for actions authorized in this section and may seek the assistance of the Treasurer in evaluating proposed actions under this section.

(h) (1) A bond or indebtedness authorized by this section shall be considered indebtedness incurred by the dissolved redevelopment agency, with the same legal effect as if the bonds or other indebtedness had been issued, incurred, or entered into prior to June 28, 2011, in full conformity with the applicable provisions of the Community Redevelopment Law that existed prior to that date, shall be included in the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco's Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule, and shall be secured by a pledge of, and lien on, and shall be repaid from moneys deposited from time to time in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund established pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 34170.5, as provided in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183. Property tax revenues pledged to any bonds or other indebtedness obligations authorized by this section are taxes allocated to the successor agency pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 33670 and Section 16 of Article XVI of the California Constitution.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a bond or other indebtedness issued, incurred, or entered into pursuant to subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) shall be secured by a pledge of, and lien on, and shall be repaid from, moneys deposited in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund, established pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 34170.5, as provided in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183 only to the extent the moneys represent the amount of moneys on deposit in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund that otherwise would have been distributed to the City and County of San Francisco pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 34183. Property tax revenues pledged to any bonds or other indebtedness obligations authorized by this paragraph are taxes allocated to the successor agency pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 33670 and Section 16 of Article XVI of the California Constitution.

(i) The successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco shall make diligent efforts to ensure that the lowest long-term cost financing is obtained. The financing shall not provide for any bullets or spikes and shall not use variable rates. The agency shall make use of an independent financial advisor in developing financing proposals and shall make the work products of the financial advisor available to the department at its request.

(j) (1) (A) For the development of the project described in the Candlestick Point-Hunters Point Shipyard Phase 2 Disposition and Development Agreement, the limitations relating to time for establishing loans, advances, and indebtedness, the effectiveness of the redevelopment plans, the time to repay indebtedness, the time for applying tax increment, the number of tax dollars, or any other matters set forth in Section 33333.2 and Section 33492.13 shall not apply.

(B) The Candlestick Point-Hunters Point Shipyard Phase 2 project agreements shall establish the applicable limitations relating to time for establishing loans, advances, and indebtedness, the effectiveness of the redevelopment plans, the time to repay indebtedness, the time for applying tax increment, number of tax dollars, or any other matters set forth in Section 33333.2 and Section 33492.13. Any amendments to Candlestick Point-Hunters Point Shipyard Phase 2 project agreements to establish or change those time limits shall be approved by the oversight board, and shall be subject to department approval, as described in this part.

(2) This part shall not be construed to limit the receipt and use of property tax revenues generated from the Hunters Point Redevelopment Plan project area or Zone 1 of the Bayview Hunters Point Redevelopment Plan project area for the project

described in the Candlestick Point-Hunters Point Shipyard Phase 2 Disposition and Development Agreement.

(Amended by Stats. 2023, Ch. 782, Sec. 2.5. (SB 593) Effective January 1, 2024.)

34178. (a) Commencing on the operative date of this part, agreements, contracts, or arrangements between the city or county, or city and county that created the redevelopment agency and the redevelopment agency are invalid and shall not be binding on the successor agency; provided, however, that a successor entity wishing to enter or reenter into agreements with the city, county, or city and county that formed the redevelopment agency that it is succeeding may do so subject to the restrictions identified in subdivision (c), and upon obtaining the approval of its oversight board.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), any of the following agreements are not invalid and may bind the successor agency:

(1) A duly authorized written agreement entered into at the time of issuance, but in no event later than December 31, 2010, of indebtedness obligations, and solely for the purpose of securing or repaying those indebtedness obligations.

(2) A written agreement between a redevelopment agency and the city, county, or city and county that created it that provided loans or other startup funds for the redevelopment agency that were entered into within two years of the formation of the redevelopment agency.

(3) A joint exercise of powers agreement in which the redevelopment agency is a member of the joint powers authority. However, upon assignment to the successor agency by operation of the act adding this part, the successor agency's rights, duties, and performance obligations under that joint exercise of powers agreement shall be limited by the constraints imposed on successor agencies by the act adding this part.

(4) A duly authorized written agreement entered into at the time of issuance, but in no event later than June 27, 2011, of indebtedness obligations solely for the refunding or refinancing of other indebtedness obligations that existed prior to January 1, 2011, and solely for the purpose of securing or repaying the refunded and refinanced indebtedness obligations.

(c) An oversight board shall not approve any agreements between the successor agency and the city, county, or city and county that formed the redevelopment agency that it is succeeding, except for agreements for the limited purposes set forth in subdivision (b) of Section 34177.3. A successor agency shall not enter or reenter into any agreements with the city, county, or city and county that formed the redevelopment agency that it is succeeding, except for agreements for the limited purposes set forth in subdivision (b) of Section 34177.3. A successor agency or an oversight board shall not exercise the powers granted by subdivision (a) to restore funding for any item that was denied or reduced by the department. This subdivision shall apply retroactively to all agreements entered or reentered pursuant to this section on and after June 27, 2012. Any agreement entered or reentered pursuant to this section on and after June 27, 2012, that does not comply with this subdivision is ultra vires and void, and does not create an enforceable obligation. The Legislature finds and declares that this subdivision is necessary to promote the expeditious wind down of redevelopment agency affairs.

(Amended by Stats. 2015, Ch. 325, Sec. 10. (SB 107) Effective September 22, 2015.)

34178.7. For purposes of this chapter with regard to a redevelopment agency that becomes subject to this part pursuant to Section 34195, only references to "October 1, 2011," and to the "operative date of this part" shall be modified in the manner described in Section 34191. All other dates shall be modified only as necessary to reflect the appropriate fiscal year or portion of a fiscal year.

(Added by Stats. 2011, 1st Ex. Sess., Ch. 5, Sec. 7. (AB 26 1x) Effective June 29, 2011. Operative February 1, 2012.)

34178.8. (a) Notwithstanding Section 33411.3, if all or any portion of a redevelopment project was developed with low- or moderate-income housing units and low- or moderate-income housing units were developed with redevelopment agency assistance or pursuant to Section 33413, the redevelopment agency's housing successor designated under Section 34176 shall require, by contract or other appropriate means, that the housing be made available for rent or purchase to the persons and families of low or moderate income displaced by the redevelopment project and to a person of low or moderate income who is a descendant of the person displaced by the redevelopment project and who, at the time of displacement, was not living in the household or had not yet been born, if those persons or families meet the income eligibility and other requirements for that housing. Those persons and families shall be given priority in renting or buying that housing. However, failure to give that priority shall not affect the validity of title to real property. The redevelopment agency's housing successor shall keep a list of persons and families of low and moderate income who are to be given priority pursuant to this section, and may establish reasonable rules for determining the order or priority on the list.

(b) For purposes of this section, "descendant" shall have the meaning provided in Section 6205 of the Probate Code.

(Amended by Stats. 2022, Ch. 632, Sec. 4. (SB 1252) Effective January 1, 2023.)

