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TITLE 6.7. INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE [63000 - 64132] (Title 6.7 added by Stats. 1994, Ch. 94, Sec. 1.) DIVISION 1. THE BERGESON-PEACE INFRASTRUCTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK ACT [63000 -63089.99] (Heading of Division 1 amended (as added by Stats. 1994, Ch. 94) by Stats. 1994, Ch. 749, Sec. 1.)

CHAPTER 5. Revenue Bonds [63070 - 63087] (Heading of Chapter 5 amended (as added by Stats. 1994, Ch. 94) by Stats. 1994, Ch. 749, Sec. 24.)

- 63070. (a) The bank may, from time to time, issue its revenue bonds in a principal amount that the bank shall determine to be necessary to provide sufficient funds for its purposes, which may include, but shall not be limited to, providing funds for the payment of costs of a project, for the purchase of bonds of a special purpose trust or a sponsor, payment of interest on bonds of the bank or of a special purpose trust, establishment of reserves to secure bonds, refunding previously issued bonds or refunding bonds of the bank, special purpose trust, or a sponsor, and payment of other expenditures of the bank or special purpose trust incident to issuance of bonds or refunding bonds of the bank.
- (b) The bank, by private sale pursuant to a bond purchase agreement, may purchase the bonds of any local sponsor or of any special purpose trust that are issued pursuant to any other provision of applicable law, and may be secured with any funds, moneys, or revenues that are legally available.
- (c) The bank may also issue bonds or authorize a special purpose trust to issue bonds for the purpose of making loans to a sponsor to be used by a sponsor to pay for the cost of a project, and that loan may be secured with any funds, moneys, or revenues that are legally available, including, but not limited to, any legally available funds or moneys that are due or payable to the sponsor by reason of any grant, allocation, or appropriation of the state or agencies thereof, to the extent that the Controller shall be the custodian at any time of these funds or moneys, and any legally available funds or moneys that are or will be due or payable to any sponsor, the bank, or the state or the agencies thereof by reason of any grant, allocation, apportionment, or appropriation of the federal government or agencies thereof.

(Amended by Stats. 1995, Ch. 863, Sec. 26. Effective January 1, 1996.)

- 63071. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, but consistent with Sections 1 and 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, a sponsor may issue bonds for purchase by the bank pursuant to a bond purchase agreement. The bank may issue bonds or authorize a special purpose trust to issue bonds. These bonds may be issued pursuant to the charter of any city or any city and county that authorized the issuance of these bonds as a sponsor and may also be issued by any sponsor pursuant to the Revenue Bond Law of 1941 (Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 54300) of Division 2 of Title 5) to pay the costs and expenses pursuant to this title, subject to the following conditions:
 - (1) With the prior approval of the bank, the sponsor may sell these bonds in any manner as it may determine, either by private sale or by means of competitive bid.
 - (2) Notwithstanding Section 54418, the bonds may be sold at a discount at any rate as the bank and sponsor shall determine.
 - (3) Notwithstanding Section 54402, the bonds shall bear interest at any rate and be payable at any time as the sponsor shall determine with the consent of the bank.
- (b) The total amount of rate reduction bonds and bonds issued to finance public development facilities that may be outstanding at any one time under this chapter shall not exceed fifteen billion dollars (\$15,000,000,000).
- (c) Bonds for which moneys or securities have been deposited in trust, in amounts necessary to pay or redeem the principal, interest, and any redemption premium thereon, shall be deemed not to be outstanding for purposes of this section.

(Amended by Stats. 2020, Ch. 10, Sec. 3. (AB 78) Effective June 29, 2020.)

- <u>63072.</u> (a) The bank may give final approval for the issuance of the bonds or of the authorization of a special purpose trust upon terms it deems necessary or desirable.
- (b) The executive director may establish the terms and conditions for the issuance of the bonds or of the authorization of a special purpose trust and take any other action necessary or desirable for the issuance of the bonds or of a special purpose trust authorized by the bank.
- (c) Any action under this section shall be at the discretion of the bank.

(Amended by Stats. 1995, Ch. 863, Sec. 28. Effective January 1, 1996.)

63073. The Treasurer, the Governor, or the Lieutenant Governor is an elected representative of the state authorized to fulfill the public approval requirement of Section 147(f) of Title 26 of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C.A. Sec. 147(f)), including subsequent amendments thereto, or its successor provision, for the issuance of tax-exempt bonds issued by the bank, a special purpose trust, or a sponsor pursuant to this chapter.

(Amended by Stats. 2001, Ch. 508, Sec. 3. Effective January 1, 2002.)

- <u>63074.</u> (a) Bonds may be authorized to finance a single project for a single sponsor or a participating party, a series of projects for a single sponsor or a participating party, a single project for several sponsors or participating parties, or several projects for several sponsors or participating parties.
- (b) Except as otherwise expressly provided by the bank, every issue of its bonds shall be payable from any revenues or other moneys of the bank available therefor and not otherwise pledged. These revenues or moneys may include the proceeds of additional bonds, subject only to any agreements with the holders of particular bonds pledging any particular revenues or moneys. Notwithstanding that the bonds may be payable from a special fund, these bonds shall be deemed to be negotiable instruments for all purposes.
- (c) Subject to the limitations in Section 63071, bonds may be issued in one or more series, may be issued as serial bonds or as term bonds or as a combination thereof. The bonds shall be authorized by resolution of the bank and shall, as provided by the resolution, bear the date of issuance, the time of maturity, which shall not exceed 50 years from the date of issuance, bear the rate or rates of interest, be payable at the time or times provided, be in the denominations provided, be in the form or forms provided, carry the registration privileges provided, be executed in the manner provided, be payable in lawful money of the United States, or other designated currency, at the place or places provided, and be subject to any terms of redemption provided therein.
- (d) Sale of the bonds of the bank or of a special purpose trust shall be coordinated by the Treasurer in accordance with Section 5702. The Treasurer shall sell the bonds within 90 days of receiving a certified copy of the resolution authorizing the sale of bonds, unless the board adopts a resolution extending the 90-day period.
- (e) The sale may be a public or private sale, and for any price or prices, and on any terms and conditions, as the bank determines proper, after giving due consideration to the recommendations of any special purpose trust and any sponsor to be assisted from the proceeds of the bonds. Pending preparation of definitive bonds, the Treasurer may issue interim receipts, certificates, or temporary bonds that shall be exchanged for definitive bonds.

(Amended by Stats. 1995, Ch. 863, Sec. 30. Effective January 1, 1996.)

- **63075.** Any resolution authorizing any bonds or the authorization of a special purpose trust or any issue of bonds of the bank or a special purpose trust may contain the following provisions, which shall be a part of the contract with the holders of the bonds to be authorized:
- (a) Provisions pledging the full faith and credit of the bank, or pledging all or any part of the revenues of any project, or any revenue-producing contract or contracts made by the bank with any sponsor, or any other moneys of the bank, to secure the payment of the bonds or of any particular issue of bonds, subject to those agreements with bondholders as may then exist and consistent with Sections 1 and 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution.
- (b) Provisions setting out the rentals, fees, purchase payments, loan repayments, and other charges, and the amounts to be raised in each year thereby, and the use and disposition of the revenues.
- (c) Provisions setting aside reserves or sinking funds, or providing for the use of subordinated classes of bonds by the bank or a special purpose trust, and the regulation and disposition thereof.
- (d) Limitations on the issuance of additional bonds, the terms upon which additional bonds may be issued and secured, and the refunding of outstanding bonds.
- (e) The procedure, if any, by which the terms of any contract with bondholders may be amended or abrogated, the amount of bonds and the holders thereof that are required to give consent thereto, and the manner in which the consent may be given.
- (f) Limitations on the bank's expenditures for operation and administration, or other expenses.

- (g) Definitions of acts or omissions to act that constitute a default in the duties of the bank to holders of its obligations, and providing the rights and remedies of the holders in the event of a default.
- (h) The mortgaging of any project and the site thereof for the purpose of securing the interests of the bondholders.
- (i) The mortgaging of land, improvements, or other assets owned by a sponsor or participating party for the purpose of securing the interests of the bondholders.

(Amended by Stats. 1995, Ch. 863, Sec. 31. Effective January 1, 1996.)

<u>63076.</u> Neither the officers of the bank nor any person executing the bonds of the bank or a special purpose trust shall be personally liable for the bonds or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance thereof.

(Amended by Stats. 1995, Ch. 863, Sec. 32. Effective January 1, 1996.)

63077. The bank, a special purpose trust, or any sponsor or participating party may, out of any funds available therefor, purchase their respective bonds. The bank and a special purpose trust may hold, pledge, cancel, or resell their bonds, subject to and in accordance with agreements with bondholders.

(Amended by Stats. 1995, Ch. 863, Sec. 33. Effective January 1, 1996.)

- **63078.** In the discretion of the bank, a special purpose trust, or the sponsor, as the case may be, any bonds issued under this chapter may be secured by a trust agreement between the bank, a special purpose trust, or the sponsor and a corporate trustee or trustees, that may include the Treasurer or any trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company within or without the state.
- (a) The trust agreement or the resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds may pledge or assign any funds or assets of the bank or special purpose trust legally available for pledge or assignment, all or a portion of the revenues to be received by the bank, directly or indirectly, with respect to the project, or the proceeds of any contract or contracts, loan or loan agreements, bond or bond purchase agreements, and may convey or mortgage the project or projects, or any portion thereof, to be financed out of the proceeds of the bonds. The trust agreement or resolution providing for the issuance of the bonds may contain provisions for protecting and enforcing the rights and remedies of bondholders as may be reasonable and proper and not in violation of law, including provisions specifically authorized to be included in any resolution or resolutions of the bank or a sponsor authorizing bonds.
- (b) Any bank or trust company doing business under the laws of the state that may act as a depository of the proceeds of bonds or of revenues or other moneys shall furnish indemnifying bonds or pledge securities when required by the bank, a special purpose trust, or a sponsor.
- (c) The trust agreement may set forth the rights and remedies of the bondholders and of the trustee or trustees, and may restrict the individual right of action by bondholders. In addition, any trust agreement or resolution may contain other provisions that the bank may deem reasonable and proper for the security of the bondholders.
- (d) The trust agreement may provide for the pledge or assignment of funds or moneys in the custody of the Controller that are legally available to a sponsor and that are due or payable to the sponsor by reason of any grant, allocation, apportionment, or appropriation of the state or agencies thereof, and any legally available funds or moneys that are or will be due or payable, to any sponsor, the bank, the state or the agencies thereof by reason of any grant, allocation, apportionment, or appropriation of the federal government or agencies thereof.

(Amended by Stats. 1995, Ch. 863, Sec. 34. Effective January 1, 1996.)

- 63079. (a) Bonds issued under this chapter do not constitute a debt or liability of the state or of any political subdivision thereof, other than the bank or a special purpose trust, and do not constitute a pledge of the full faith and credit of the state or any of its political subdivisions, other than the bank or special purpose trust, but are payable solely from the funds provided therefor under this chapter and shall be consistent with Sections 1 and 18 of Article XVI of the California Constitution. This subdivision shall in no way preclude bond guarantees or enhancements pursuant to this title. All the bonds shall contain on the face thereof a statement to the following effect:
- "Neither the full faith and credit nor the taxing power of the State of California is pledged to the payment of the principal of, or interest on, this bond."
- (b) The issuance of bonds under this chapter shall not directly or indirectly or contingently obligate the state or any political subdivision thereof to levy or to pledge any form of taxation therefor or to make any appropriation for their payment. Nothing in this section shall prevent, or be construed to prevent, the bank from pledging the full faith and credit of the infrastructure bank fund to the payment of bonds or issuance of bonds authorized pursuant to this chapter.

(Amended by Stats. 1995, Ch. 863, Sec. 35. Effective January 1, 1996.)

<u>63080.</u> The validity of any bonds issued under this chapter shall not be affected by any proceedings related to the authorization or implementation of the project financed by the bonds.

(Added by Stats. 1994, Ch. 94, Sec. 1. Effective January 1, 1995. Conditionally operative as prescribed by Sec. 17 of Ch. 94.)

- **63081.** (a) The bank or a special purpose trust may issue bonds for the purpose of refunding any bonds, notes, or other securities of the bank, a special purpose trust, or a sponsor then outstanding, including the payment of any redemption premium thereon and any interest accrued, or to accrue, on their earliest or any subsequent date of redemption, purchase, or maturity of these bonds. The bank, or a sponsor, if it deems advisable, may issue or authorize a sponsor to issue bonds for the additional purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of constructing and acquiring additions, improvements, extensions, or enlargements of any project or any portion thereof.
- (b) The proceeds of any bonds issued for the purpose of refunding outstanding bonds as provided in subdivision (a) may, in the discretion of the bank, be applied to the purchase or retirement at maturity or redemption of those outstanding bonds either on their earliest or any subsequent redemption date or upon the purchase or retirement at the maturity thereof and may, pending this application, be placed in escrow to be applied to the purchase or retirement at maturity or redemption of those outstanding bonds on the date or dates as may be determined by the bank.
- (c) Pending this use, the escrowed proceeds may be invested and reinvested by the Treasurer or a trustee in obligations of, or guaranteed by, the United States, or in certificates of deposit or time deposits secured by obligations of, or guaranteed by, the United States, maturing at the time or times appropriate to assure prompt payment, of the principal, interest, and redemption premium, if any, of the outstanding bonds to be refunded. The interest, income, and profits, if any, earned or realized on the investment may also be applied to the payment of the outstanding bonds to be refunded. After the terms of the escrow have been fully satisfied and carried out, any balance of the proceeds and interest, income, and profits, if any, earned or realized on the investments thereof, shall be returned to the agency for use in carrying out the purposes of this division.
- (d) The portion of the proceeds of the bonds issued for the additional purpose of paying all or any part of the cost of construction and acquiring additions, improvements, extensions, or enlargements of any project may be invested and reinvested by the Treasurer or a trustee in obligations of, or guaranteed by, the United States, or in certificates of deposit or time deposits secured by obligations of, or guaranteed by, the United States, maturing not later than the time or times when these proceeds will be needed for the purpose of paying all or any part of the cost. The interest, income, and profits, if any, earned or realized on this investment may be applied to the payment of all, or any part of, the cost or may be used by the bank in carrying out the purposes of this division.

(Amended by Stats. 1995, Ch. 863, Sec. 36. Effective January 1, 1996.)

63082. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, this act shall be supplemental to, and not in lieu of, the right of any sponsor to issue general obligation bonds or bonds that it is otherwise lawfully authorized to issue or cause to be issued.

(Added by Stats. 1994, Ch. 94, Sec. 1. Effective January 1, 1995. Conditionally operative as prescribed by Sec. 17 of Ch. 94.)

<u>63083.</u> Any and all bonds issued by the bank or a special purpose trust, their transfer and the income therefrom, shall at all times be free from taxation of every kind by the state and by all political subdivisions of the state.

(Amended by Stats. 1995, Ch. 863, Sec. 37. Effective January 1, 1996.)

- <u>63084.</u> (a) Any issue of revenue bonds by the bank may be secured and made more attractive to capital markets through financial instruments, including, but not limited to:
 - (1) Deeds of trust on the resources, facilities, and revenues of the projects.
 - (2) Credit enhancements, including, but not limited to, letters of credit, bond insurance, and surety bonds provided by private financial institutions.
 - (3) Insurance and guarantees provided by the bank itself.
- (b) The bank may make loans to help establish and support the revolving loan funds of small business development corporations, economic development corporations, community development corporations, and nonprofit corporations. The loans may be made from any appropriate account or subaccount of the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank Fund and as determined by the bank.

(Added by Stats. 1998, Ch. 4, Sec. 21. Effective January 1, 1999.)

63085. Whenever the bank deems that it will increase the salability or the price of the bonds to obtain, prior to or after sale, a legal opinion from private counsel as to the validity or tax-exempt nature of the bonds, the bank may obtain a legal opinion. Payment for legal services may be made out of the proceeds of the sale of the bonds.

(Added by Stats. 1998, Ch. 4, Sec. 22. Effective January 1, 1999.)

<u>63086.</u> The bank may employ financial consultants, advisers, and accountants, as may be necessary in its judgment, in connection with the issuance and sale of any bonds of the bank. Payment for these services may be made out of the proceeds of the sale of the bonds.

(Added by Stats. 1998, Ch. 4, Sec. 23. Effective January 1, 1999.)

<u>63087.</u> Section 10295 and Sections 10335 to 10382, inclusive, of the Public Contract Code shall not apply to agreements entered into by the bank in connection with the sale of bonds or notes authorized under this division.

(Added by Stats. 1998, Ch. 4, Sec. 24. Effective January 1, 1999.)