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AB-2542 Streets and highways: reversible lanes. (2015-2016)

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Assembly Bill No. 2542

CHAPTER 525

An act to add Section 100.15 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to streets and highways.

[Approved by Governor September 23, 2016. Filed with Secretary of State September 23, 2016.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2542, Gatto. Streets and highways: reversible lanes.

Existing law provides that the Department of Transportation is in full possession and control of the state highway system. Existing law generally provides for the California Transportation Commission to program available funding for transportation capital projects, other than state highway rehabilitation projects, through the State Transportation Improvement Program, which includes projects recommended by regional transportation planning agencies through the adoption of a regional transportation improvement program and projects recommended by the department through the adoption of an interregional transportation improvement program, as specified.

This bill would require the department or a regional transportation planning agency, when submitting a capacity-increasing project or a major street or highway lane realignment project to the commission for approval, to demonstrate that reversible lanes were considered for the project.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 100.15 is added to the Streets and Highways Code, immediately following Section 100.1, to read:

100.15. Before the commission approves a capacity-increasing project or a major street or highway lane realignment project, the department or a regional transportation planning agency submitting the project for approval shall demonstrate that reversible lanes were considered for the project.