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**AB-29 State Highway Route 710.** (2019-2020)

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**Assembly Bill No. 29**

**CHAPTER 791**

An act to amend Section 54237.8 of the Government Code, and to amend Section 253.1 of, and to add and repeal Section 253.9 of, the Streets and Highways Code, relating to highways.

[ Approved by Governor October 12, 2019. Filed with Secretary of State October 12, 2019. ]

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

AB 29, Holden. State Highway Route 710.

(1) Existing law provides, notwithstanding any other law, for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act, that the preliminary project alternative referred to as Alternative F-6 in the December 2012 Alternative Analysis Report of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority is no longer deemed to be a feasible alternative for consideration in any state environmental review process for the Interstate 710 North Gap Closure project.

This bill would revise this provision to instead provide that the preliminary project alternatives referred to as Alternative F-5, F-6, and F-7 in the December 2012 Alternative Analysis Report of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority and any other freeway or tunnel alternatives to close the Interstate 710 North Gap are no longer deemed to be feasible alternatives for consideration in any environmental review process for the Interstate 710 North Gap Closure project.

(2) Existing law vests the Department of Transportation with full possession and control of all state highways and associated property. Existing law designates and describes state highway routes, and also describes the state highway routes in the California freeway and expressway system, including all of Route 710 in the County of Los Angeles.

This bill would, on January 1, 2024, remove from the California freeway and expressway system the portion of Route 710 between Alhambra Avenue in the City of Los Angeles and California Boulevard in the City of Pasadena.

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

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

**SECTION 1.** Section 54237.8 of the Government Code is amended to read:

**54237.8.** Notwithstanding any other law, for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code), the preliminary project alternatives referred to as Alternative F-5, F-6, and F-7 in the December 2012 Alternative Analysis Report of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority and any other freeway or tunnel alternatives to close the Interstate 710 North Gap shall no longer be deemed as feasible alternatives for consideration in any environmental review process for the Interstate 710 North Gap Closure project, State Clearinghouse number 1982092310.

**SEC. 2.** Section 253.1 of the Streets and Highways Code is amended to read:

**253.1.** The California freeway and expressway system shall include:

Routes 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15, 18, 24, 28, 32, 34, 37, 40, 44, 47, 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 59, 60, 61, 63, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 73, 74, 78, 80, 81, 83, 85, 87, 88, 89, 90, 93, 97, 100, 102, 103, 105, 107, 108, 118, 121, 122, 124, 125, 126, 134, 136, 139, 140, 145, 148, 149, 154, 156, 161, 163, 164, 179, 181, 183, 184, 199, 205, 210, 215, 217, 221, 223, 230, 232, 234, 235, 237, 238, 239, 241, 242, 247, 249, 251, 257, 258, 259, 261, 280, 330, 371, 380, 405, 505, 580, 605, 680, 780, 805, 880, and 980 in their entirety.

**SEC. 3.** Section 253.9 is added to the Streets and Highways Code, to read:

**253.9.** (a) The California freeway and expressway system shall also include Route 710 from:

- (1) Route 47 to Route 1.
- (2) Route 1 near the City of Long Beach to Route 10 near the City of Alhambra.
- (3) Route 10 near the City of Alhambra to Route 210 near the City of Pasadena.

(b) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2024, and as of that date is repealed.

**SEC. 4.** Section 253.9 is added to the Streets and Highways Code, to read:

**253.9.** (a) The California freeway and expressway system shall also include Route 710 from:

- (1) Route 47 to Route 1.
- (2) Route 1 near the City of Long Beach to Alhambra Avenue in the City of Los Angeles.
- (3) California Boulevard in the City of Pasadena to Route 210.

(b) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2024.