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Assembly Bill No. 2721

CHAPTER 501

An act to amend Section 40227 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2721, Lee. Bay Area Air Quality Management District: district board: compensation.

Existing law establishes the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, which is vested with the authority to regulate air emissions located in the boundaries of the Counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara and portions of the Counties of Solano and Sonoma. Existing law establishes a district board to govern the district and prescribes the membership of the district board. Existing law authorizes the district board to provide, by ordinance, compensation not to exceed \$100 per day for board members for attending meetings of the board or committees of the board or while on official business of the district and not to exceed \$6,000 per year. Existing law also requires board members to receive actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

This bill would revise the amount of compensation that a member of the board may receive for attending a meeting of the board or attending a meeting while on official business of the district to an amount not to exceed \$100 per meeting and \$200 per day. The bill would also authorize a member of the board to receive compensation for active transportation travel to one of these meetings and would subject this compensation to the \$6,000 total annual compensation limit.

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

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

SECTION 1. Section 40227 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

40227. (a) Each member of the bay district board shall receive actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of board duties.

- (b) Each member of the bay district board may receive compensation, to be determined by the bay district board subject to subdivision (c), for any of the following:
 - (1) Attending a meeting of the bay district board or a committee of the bay district board.
 - (2) Attending a meeting, upon authorization of the bay district board, while on official business of the bay district.

- (3) Active transportation travel to a meeting described in paragraph (1) or (2).
- (c) (1) The compensation provided for attending a meeting pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (b) shall not exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) for each meeting and shall not exceed two hundred dollars (\$200) per day.
 - (2) The compensation provided for active transportation travel pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) may be calculated on a per mile basis or at a fixed daily, weekly, monthly, or annual rate, and may consider benefits to using active transportation travel, including, but not limited to, reduced traffic, improved health outcomes, and reduced air pollution.
 - (3) The compensation provided pursuant to subdivision (b) shall not exceed six thousand dollars (\$6,000) in any one year.
- (d) Compensation pursuant to this section shall be fixed by ordinance. Any change to this ordinance shall be adopted at an open regular meeting of the bay district board.
- (e) For the purposes of this section, "active transportation travel" means walking, bicycling, and other forms of transportation that the bay district board has found reduce traffic, improve health outcomes, and reduce air pollution.