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**AB-2817 State highways: Route 1: relinquishment.** (2023-2024)

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**Assembly Bill No. 2817**

**CHAPTER 416**

An act to add Section 301.4 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to highways.

[ Approved by Governor September 22, 2024. Filed with Secretary of State September 22, 2024. ]

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

AB 2817, Dixon. State highways: Route 1: relinquishment.

Existing law vests the Department of Transportation with full possession and control of all state highways. Existing law describes the authorized routes in the state highway system and establishes a process for the California Transportation Commission to adopt a highway on an authorized route. Existing law requires the commission to relinquish to local agencies state highway portions that have been deleted from the state highway system by legislative enactment, and authorizes relinquishment in certain other cases.

This bill would authorize the commission to relinquish to the City of Laguna Beach a specified portion of Route 1 if the department and the city enter into an agreement providing for that relinquishment, as specified.

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

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

**SECTION 1.** Section 301.4 is added to the Streets and Highways Code, to read:

**301.4.** (a) Upon the commission determining that it is in the best interests of the state to do so, the commission may, upon terms and conditions it approves, relinquish to the City of Laguna Beach the portion of Route 1 that is located between Moro Ridge Road and Via Mentone if the department and the City of Laguna Beach enter into an agreement providing for that relinquishment.

(b) A relinquishment under this section shall become effective on the date following the county recorder's recordation of the relinquishment resolution containing the commission's approval of the terms and conditions of the relinquishment.

(c) On and after the effective date of the relinquishment, all of the following shall occur:

(1) The relinquished portion of Route 1 shall cease to be a state highway.

(2) The relinquished portion of Route 1 shall be ineligible for future adoption under Section 81.

(3) The City of Laguna Beach shall ensure the continuity of traffic flow on the relinquished portion of Route 1, including, but not limited to, any traffic signal progression.

(4) For the relinquished portion of Route 1, the City of Laguna Beach shall maintain signs within its jurisdiction directing motorists to the continuation of Route 1.