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Senate Bill No. 1136

CHAPTER 184

An act to amend Section 9147.10 of the Government Code, and to amend Section 38531 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to greenhouse gases.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1136, Stern. California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: report.

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The act requires the state board to prepare and approve a scoping plan for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and to update the scoping plan at least once every 5 years. Existing law requires the state board to present an informational report on the reported emissions of greenhouse gases, criteria pollutants, and toxic air contaminants from all sectors covered by the scoping plan at least once a year at a hearing of the Joint Legislative Committee on Climate Change Policies.

This bill would instead require that informational report to cover topics related to the scoping plan, as directed by the Joint Legislative Committee on Climate Change Policies.

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

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

SECTION 1. Section 9147.10 of the Government Code is amended to read:

- 9147.10. (a) The Joint Legislative Committee on Climate Change Policies is hereby created. The committee shall ascertain facts and make recommendations to the Legislature concerning the state's programs, policies, and investments related to climate change. Those recommendations shall be shared with other appropriate legislative standing committees, including the Assembly Committee on Budget and the Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review.
- (b) The joint committee shall consist of at least three Members of the Senate and at least three Members of the Assembly who shall be selected in the manner provided for in the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly. The membership shall reflect the perspectives of multiple standing committees.
- (c) The chair of the State Air Resources Board shall annually appear before the joint committee to present the state board's annual informational report on topics related to the scoping plan, as required pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 38531 of the Health and Safety Code. This presentation may be done at a hearing that is held jointly with the relevant Assembly and Senate standing committees.

- (d) In recognition of the technical complexity involved in reviewing the state's climate policies, the joint committee may establish a panel of experts to provide an independent analysis of the state's policies to better inform the joint committee's recommendations. **SEC. 2.** Section 38531 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- **38531.** (a) (1) The state board shall make available, and update at least annually, on its internet website the emissions of greenhouse gases and criteria pollutants for each facility that reports to the state board pursuant to Section 38530. The data shall be displayed in a manner that illustrates the changes in emissions levels over time.
 - (2) No later than January 1, 2018, the state board shall add toxic air contaminant emissions to the information made available pursuant to paragraph (1).
 - (3) The criteria pollutant and toxic air contaminant emissions data for stationary sources shall be based on data provided to the state board by air pollution control and air quality management districts collected pursuant to Section 39607 and Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 44340) of Part 6 of Division 26.
- (b) At least once a year at a hearing of the Joint Legislative Committee on Climate Change Policies, the state board shall present an informational report on topics related to the scoping plan pursuant to Sections 38561 and 38562.7, as directed by the joint committee. The report shall include a discussion of the regulatory requirements, initiatives, and other programs that influence the implementation of the scoping plan. The report also may include recommendations from the state board for legislative action and consideration.