Introduced by Senator Pérez

February 21, 2025

An act to amend Section 53398.50 of the Government Code, relating to local agencies.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 782, as introduced, Pérez. Enhanced infrastructure financing district.

Existing law authorizes the legislative body of a city or a county to designate a proposed enhanced infrastructure financing district, with a governing body referred to as the public financing authority, to finance public capital facilities and specified other projects that provide significant benefits to the district or surrounding community. Existing law makes findings and declarations related to these provisions.

This bill would make additional findings and declarations that public benefits will accrue if local agencies, excluding schools, are provided a means to, among other things, mitigate wildfires by financing heavy equipment for vegetation clearance, undergrounding of local publicly owned electric utilities, and other firefighting equipment.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 53398.50 of the Government Code is 2 amended to read:

3 53398.50. The Legislature finds and declares that with the

- 4 dissolution of redevelopment agencies, public benefits will accrue
- 5 if local agencies, excluding schools, are provided a means to

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1 finance the reuse and revitalization of former military bases, fund

2 the creation of transit priority projects and the implementation of 3 sustainable communities plans, fund projects that enable

4 communities to adapt to the impacts of climate change, including

5 to improve air quality, mitigate wildfires, *including financing heavy*

6 equipment for vegetation clearance, undergrounding of local

7 publicly owned electric utilities, and other firefighting equipment,

8 construct and rehabilitate affordable housing units, fund port and

9 harbor infrastructure, fund projects to improve broadband internet

10 access service, construct facilities for nonprofit community

11 organizations that provide health, youth, homeless, and social

12 services, and construct facilities to house providers of consumer

13 goods and services in the communities served by these efforts.

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