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SENATE BILL

No. 16

Introduced by Senator Blakespear

December 2, 2024

An act to amend Section 65583 of the Government Code, to add Article 3 (commencing with Section 50245) to Chapter 6.5 of Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Section 5963.02 8257.1 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to homelessness.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 16, as amended, Blakespear. Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program: housing element: ~~Integrated Plan for Behavioral Health Services and Outcomes: unsheltered and chronic homelessness: assessment and financing plan.~~

(1) The Planning and Zoning Law requires a city or county to adopt a general plan for land use development that includes, among other things, a housing element. Existing law requires the housing element to *consist of an identification and analysis of existing and projected housing needs and a statement of goals, policies, quantified objectives, financial resources, and scheduled programs for the preservation, improvement, and development of housing.* Existing law requires the housing element to include, among other things, an assessment of housing needs and an inventory of resources and constraints that are relevant to meeting these needs. *Existing law establishes the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program (HHAP) for the purpose of providing jurisdictions with grant funds to support regional*

coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address their immediate homelessness challenges, as specified.

~~For a local government that does not receive funding to address the population of individuals who are unhoused pursuant to certain state programs, pursuant to HHAP, this bill would require the assessment to include, among other things, specified data regarding the population of individuals who are unhoused the most up-to-date data on the number of individuals who are unhoused and a description of key actions that will be taken to reduce the number of individuals who are unhoused based on the data. By imposing additional duties on local governments, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.~~

~~(2) Existing law establishes the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program (HHAP) for the purpose of providing jurisdictions with grant funds to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address their immediate homelessness challenges, as specified. Existing law provides for the allocation of funding under the program among continuums of care, cities, counties, and tribes in 6 rounds, which are administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development.~~

~~Upon appropriation by the Legislature, this bill would establish Round 7 of the HHAP program. To be eligible for a Round 7 base program allocation, the bill would require specified jurisdictions to apply as part of a region and be signatory to a Round 7 regionally coordinated homeless action plan that has been approved by the department. The bill would require the plan to include an inventory of existing and planned city-operated shelters, the expected cost for those shelters, and a commitment by counties to contribute 50% of the expected costs, as specified.~~

~~On or before the end of the 2025–26 fiscal year, the bill would require a grantee to submit to the department an update on its regionally coordinated homeless action plan activities for department review, as specified. The bill would authorize a board of supervisors of a county to adopt a resolution determining that contributing 50% of expected costs is financially infeasible, as specified. If a county adopts the resolution, the bill would require the department to determine the contribution percentage of the county, as specified. On or before the end of the 2025–26 fiscal year, the bill would require cities to submit to the department the actual operating cost of city-operated shelters and require counties to reimburse cities for any excess contributions. The~~

~~bill would authorize the department to withhold 50% of funds from a grantee until the department has approved the update.~~

~~(3) Existing law, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), an initiative measure enacted by the voters as Proposition 63 at the November 2, 2004, statewide general election, funds a system of county mental health plans for the provision of mental health services, as specified. Existing law authorizes the MHSA to be amended by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of the Legislature if the amendments are consistent with and further the intent of the MHSA. Existing law authorizes the Legislature to add provisions to clarify procedures and terms of the MHSA by majority vote. Existing law, the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA), a legislative act amending the MHSA that was approved by the voters as Proposition 1 at the March 5, 2024, statewide primary election, recast the MHSA. The BHSA requires each county to prepare and submit an integrated plan, including sections for specified programs and services, such as services provided through federal grants or other county mental health and substance use disorder programs, and annual updates to the Behavioral Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission and the State Department of Health Care Services.~~

~~This bill would additionally require the integrated plan to include a section regarding programs and services relating to Round 7 of the HHAP program, as prescribed.~~

~~(2) Existing law requires the Governor to create the Interagency Council on Homelessness to, among other things, identify mainstream resources, benefits, and services that can be accessed to prevent and end homelessness in California, to make policy and procedural recommendations to legislators and other governmental entities, and to serve as a statewide facilitator, coordinator, and policy development resource on ending homelessness in California. Existing law establishes the Department of Housing and Community Development and requires it to administer various programs intended to promote the development of housing.~~

~~Existing law states the intent of the Legislature to obtain trustworthy information to connect funding allocated to prevent and end homelessness with established sheltering and housing resources and to provide state agencies with accurate information to allow for more accurate forecasting to target future investments. For purposes of advancing those goals, existing law requires the council, upon appropriation, to conduct, or contract with an entity to conduct, a statewide homelessness assessment to identify certain programs and to~~

collect and analyze data, as specified. Existing law requires the council to submit an interim report and a final report to certain legislative committees by July 1, 2022, and December 31, 2022, respectively.

This bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to complete, or contract to complete, an assessment and financing plan to, in coordination with local jurisdictions, address unsheltered and chronic homelessness in the state over a 10-year period. The bill would require the department to report to the Legislature on the assessment and financing plan by December 31, 2027. The bill would require the assessment to include specified information, including, among others, the number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness and the number of people expected to fall into unsheltered homelessness over the next 10 years based on recent data on rates of Californians becoming unsheltered. The bill would require the department or contractor to, in completing the assessment and financing plan, consult with specified individuals and entities, including, among others, individuals with lived experience of homelessness, representatives of cities and counties, and specified working groups. By requiring the department or contractor to consult with local entities, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

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(3) The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

~~(5)~~

(4) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

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

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

1 ~~SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the~~
2 ~~following:~~

1 ~~(1) California has the largest number of residents who are~~
2 ~~unhoused, with over 123,000 people who are unhoused on a given~~
3 ~~night, which is almost 30 percent of the nation's number, according~~
4 ~~to the United States Department of Housing and Urban~~
5 ~~Development's Annual Homelessness Assessment Report.~~

6 ~~(2) The state's crisis of individuals who are unhoused is the~~
7 ~~product of the state's affordable housing shortage.~~

8 ~~(3) Innovative, cost-effective models for interim housing, which~~
9 ~~provide nonecongregate spaces for people to live and sleep in safety,~~
10 ~~have been implemented in jurisdictions across the state.~~

11 ~~(4) These interim housing models are a scalable, timely solution~~
12 ~~to the population of individuals who are unhoused while the state~~
13 ~~builds sufficient permanent affordable housing to address the state's~~
14 ~~affordable housing shortage.~~

15 ~~(5) California's counties manage and operate regional social~~
16 ~~service systems that deliver vital safety net programs and benefits~~
17 ~~to Californians in need.~~

18 ~~(b) Therefore, it is the intent of the Legislature that this act~~
19 ~~promotes collaboration between cities and counties on the operation~~
20 ~~of facilities serving individuals who are unhoused and further~~
21 ~~integrates those facilities into regional social service systems.~~

22 ~~SEC. 2.~~

23 *SECTION 1.* Section 65583 of the Government Code is
24 amended to read:

25 65583. The housing element shall consist of an identification
26 and analysis of existing and projected housing needs and a
27 statement of goals, policies, quantified objectives, financial
28 resources, and scheduled programs for the preservation,
29 improvement, and development of housing. The housing element
30 shall identify adequate sites for housing, including rental housing,
31 factory-built housing, mobilehomes, and emergency shelters, and
32 shall make adequate provision for the existing and projected needs
33 of all economic segments of the community. The housing element
34 shall contain all of the following:

35 (a) An assessment of housing needs and an inventory of
36 resources and constraints that are relevant to the meeting of these
37 needs. The assessment and inventory shall include all of the
38 following:

39 (1) An analysis of population and employment trends and
40 documentation of projections and a quantification of the locality's

1 existing and projected housing needs for all income levels. These
2 existing and projected needs shall include the locality's share of
3 the regional housing need in accordance with Section 65584.

4 (2) An analysis and documentation of household characteristics,
5 including level of payment compared to ability to pay, housing
6 characteristics, including overcrowding, and housing stock
7 condition.

8 (3) An inventory of land suitable and available for residential
9 development, including vacant sites and sites having realistic and
10 demonstrated potential for redevelopment during the planning
11 period to meet the locality's housing need for a designated income
12 level, and an analysis of the relationship of zoning and public
13 facilities and services to these sites, and an analysis of the
14 relationship of the sites identified in the land inventory to the
15 jurisdiction's duty to affirmatively further fair housing.

16 (4) (A) The identification of one or more zoning designations
17 that allow residential uses, including mixed uses, where emergency
18 shelters are allowed as a permitted use without a conditional use
19 or other discretionary permit and that are suitable for residential
20 uses. The identified zoning designations shall include sufficient
21 sites meeting the requirements of subparagraph (H) with sufficient
22 capacity, as described in subparagraph (I), to accommodate the
23 need for emergency shelter identified in paragraph (7), except that
24 each local government shall identify a zoning designation or
25 designations that can accommodate at least one year-round
26 emergency shelter. If the local government cannot identify a zoning
27 designation or designations with sufficient capacity, the local
28 government shall include a program to amend its zoning ordinance
29 to meet the requirements of this paragraph within one year of the
30 adoption of the housing element. The local government may
31 identify additional zoning designations where emergency shelters
32 are permitted with a conditional use permit. The local government
33 shall also demonstrate that existing or proposed permit processing,
34 development, and management standards that apply to emergency
35 shelters are objective and encourage and facilitate the development
36 of, or conversion to, emergency shelters.

37 (B) Emergency shelters shall only be subject to the following
38 written, objective standards:

39 (i) The maximum number of beds or persons permitted to be
40 served nightly by the facility.

1 (ii) Sufficient parking to accommodate all staff working in the
2 emergency shelter, provided that the standards do not require more
3 parking for emergency shelters than other residential or commercial
4 uses within the same zone.

5 (iii) The size and location of exterior and interior onsite waiting
6 and client intake areas.

7 (iv) The provision of onsite management.

8 (v) The proximity to other emergency shelters, provided that
9 emergency shelters are not required to be more than 300 feet apart.

10 (vi) The length of stay.

11 (vii) Lighting.

12 (viii) Security during hours that the emergency shelter is in
13 operation.

14 (C) For purposes of this paragraph, “emergency shelter” shall
15 include other interim interventions, including, but not limited to,
16 a navigation center, bridge housing, and respite or recuperative
17 care.

18 (D) The permit processing, development, and management
19 standards applied under this paragraph shall not be deemed to be
20 discretionary acts within the meaning of the California
21 Environmental Quality Act (Division 13 (commencing with Section
22 21000) of the Public Resources Code).

23 (E) If a local government has adopted written, objective
24 standards pursuant to subparagraph (B), the local government shall
25 include an analysis of the standards in the analysis of constraints
26 pursuant to paragraph (5).

27 (F) A local government that can demonstrate, to the satisfaction
28 of the department, the existence of one or more emergency shelters
29 either within its jurisdiction or pursuant to a multijurisdictional
30 agreement that can accommodate that jurisdiction’s need and the
31 needs of the other jurisdictions that are a part of the agreement for
32 emergency shelter identified in paragraph (7) may comply with
33 the zoning requirements of subparagraph (A) by identifying a
34 zoning designation where new emergency shelters are allowed
35 with a conditional use permit.

36 (G) A local government with an existing ordinance or ordinances
37 that comply with this paragraph shall not be required to take
38 additional action to identify zoning designations for emergency
39 shelters. The housing element must only describe how existing

ordinances, policies, and standards are consistent with the requirements of this paragraph.

(H) The zoning designation or designations where emergency shelters are allowed, as described in subparagraph (A), shall include sites that meet at least one of the following standards:

(i) Vacant sites zoned for residential use.

(ii) Vacant sites zoned for nonresidential use that allow residential development, if the local government can demonstrate how the sites with this zoning designation that are being used to satisfy the requirements of paragraph (1) are located near amenities and services that serve people experiencing homelessness, which may include health care, transportation, retail, employment, and social services, or that the local government will provide free transportation to services or offer services onsite.

(iii) Nonvacant sites zoned for residential use or for nonresidential use that allow residential development that are suitable for use as a shelter in the current planning period, or which can be redeveloped for use as a shelter in the current planning period. A nonvacant site with an existing use shall be presumed to impede emergency shelter development absent an analysis based on substantial evidence that the use is likely to be discontinued during the planning period. The analysis shall consider current market demand for the current uses, market conditions, and incentives or standards to encourage shelter development.

(I) The zoning designation or designations shall have sufficient sites meeting the requirements of subparagraph (H) to accommodate the need for shelters identified pursuant to paragraph (7). The number of people experiencing homelessness that can be accommodated on any site shall be demonstrated by dividing the square footage of the site by a minimum of 200 square feet per person, unless the locality can demonstrate that one or more shelters were developed on sites that have fewer square feet per person during the prior planning period or the locality provides similar evidence to the department demonstrating that the site can accommodate more people experiencing homelessness. Any standard applied pursuant to this subparagraph is intended only for calculating site capacity pursuant to this section, and shall not be construed as establishing a development standard applicable to the siting, development, or approval of a shelter.

1 (J) Notwithstanding subparagraph (H), a local government may
2 accommodate the need for emergency shelters identified pursuant
3 to paragraph (7) on sites owned by the local government if it
4 demonstrates with substantial evidence that the sites will be made
5 available for emergency shelter during the planning period, they
6 are suitable for residential use, and the sites are located near
7 amenities and services that serve people experiencing
8 homelessness, which may include health care, transportation, retail,
9 employment, and social services, or that the local government will
10 provide free transportation to services or offer services onsite.

11 (5) An analysis of potential and actual governmental constraints
12 upon the maintenance, improvement, or development of housing
13 for all income levels, including the types of housing identified in
14 paragraph (1) of subdivision (c), and for persons with disabilities
15 as identified in the analysis pursuant to paragraph (7), including
16 land use controls, building codes and their enforcement, site
17 improvements, fees, and other exactions required of developers,
18 local processing and permit procedures, historic preservation
19 practices and policies and an assessment of how existing and
20 proposed historic designations affect the locality's ability to meet
21 its share of the housing need pursuant to paragraph (1), and any
22 locally adopted ordinances that directly impact the cost and supply
23 of residential development. The analysis shall also demonstrate
24 local efforts to remove governmental constraints that hinder the
25 locality from meeting its share of the regional housing need in
26 accordance with Section 65584 and from meeting the need for
27 housing for persons with disabilities, supportive housing,
28 transitional housing, and emergency shelters identified pursuant
29 to paragraph (7).

30 (6) An analysis of potential and actual nongovernmental
31 constraints upon the maintenance, improvement, or development
32 of housing for all income levels, including the availability of
33 financing, the price of land, the cost of construction, the requests
34 to develop housing at densities below those anticipated in the
35 analysis required by subdivision (c) of Section 65583.2, and the
36 length of time between receiving approval for a housing
37 development and submittal of an application for building permits
38 for that housing development that hinder the construction of a
39 locality's share of the regional housing need in accordance with
40 Section 65584. The analysis shall also demonstrate local efforts

1 to remove nongovernmental constraints that create a gap between
2 the locality's planning for the development of housing for all
3 income levels and the construction of that housing.

4 (7) (A) An analysis of any special housing needs, such as those
5 of the elderly; persons with disabilities, including a developmental
6 disability, as defined in Section 4512 of the Welfare and
7 Institutions Code; extremely low income households; large
8 families; farmworkers; families with female heads of households;
9 and families and persons in need of emergency shelter. The need
10 for emergency shelter shall be assessed based on the capacity
11 necessary to accommodate the most recent homeless point-in-time
12 count conducted before the start of the planning period, the need
13 for emergency shelter based on number of beds available on a
14 year-round and seasonal basis, the number of shelter beds that go
15 unused on an average monthly basis within a one-year period, and
16 the percentage of those in emergency shelters that move to
17 permanent housing solutions. The need for emergency shelter may
18 be reduced by the number of supportive housing units that are
19 identified in an adopted 10-year plan to end chronic homelessness
20 and that are either vacant or for which funding has been identified
21 to allow construction during the planning period. An analysis of
22 special housing needs by a city or county may include an analysis
23 of the need for frequent user coordinated care housing services.

24 (B) For the seventh and subsequent revisions of the housing
25 element, the analysis required in subparagraph (A) shall also
26 include an analysis of the housing needs of acutely and extremely
27 low income households.

28 (8) An analysis of opportunities for energy conservation with
29 respect to residential development. Cities and counties are
30 encouraged to include weatherization and energy efficiency
31 improvements as part of publicly subsidized housing rehabilitation
32 projects. This may include energy efficiency measures that
33 encompass the building envelope, its heating and cooling systems,
34 and its electrical system.

35 (9) An analysis of existing assisted housing developments that
36 are eligible to change from low-income housing uses during the
37 next 10 years due to termination of subsidy contracts, mortgage
38 prepayment, or expiration of restrictions on use. "Assisted housing
39 developments," for the purpose of this section, shall mean
40 multifamily rental housing that receives governmental assistance

1 under federal programs listed in subdivision (a) of Section
2 65863.10, state and local multifamily revenue bond programs,
3 local redevelopment programs, the federal Community
4 Development Block Grant Program, or local in-lieu fees. “Assisted
5 housing developments” shall also include multifamily rental units
6 that were developed pursuant to a local inclusionary housing
7 program or used to qualify for a density bonus pursuant to Section
8 65916.

9 (A) The analysis shall include a listing of each development by
10 project name and address, the type of governmental assistance
11 received, the earliest possible date of change from low-income
12 use, and the total number of elderly and nonelderly units that could
13 be lost from the locality’s low-income housing stock in each year
14 during the 10-year period. For purposes of state and federally
15 funded projects, the analysis required by this subparagraph need
16 only contain information available on a statewide basis.

17 (B) The analysis shall estimate the total cost of producing new
18 rental housing that is comparable in size and rent levels, to replace
19 the units that could change from low-income use, and an estimated
20 cost of preserving the assisted housing developments. This cost
21 analysis for replacement housing may be done aggregately for
22 each five-year period and does not have to contain a
23 project-by-project cost estimate.

24 (C) The analysis shall identify public and private nonprofit
25 corporations known to the local government that have legal and
26 managerial capacity to acquire and manage these housing
27 developments.

28 (D) The analysis shall identify and consider the use of all federal,
29 state, and local financing and subsidy programs that can be used
30 to preserve, for lower income households, the assisted housing
31 developments, identified in this paragraph, including, but not
32 limited to, federal Community Development Block Grant Program
33 funds, tax increment funds received by a redevelopment agency
34 of the community, and administrative fees received by a housing
35 authority operating within the community. In considering the use
36 of these financing and subsidy programs, the analysis shall identify
37 the amounts of funds under each available program that have not
38 been legally obligated for other purposes and that could be
39 available for use in preserving assisted housing developments.

(10) For a local government that does not receive funding pursuant to the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program (Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 50216)) ~~or the Regionally Coordinated Homelessness Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program~~ and (Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 50230) of Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code), all of the following:

(A) An itemized list of the specific federal, state, and local resources available to assist individuals who are unhoused, including interim and permanent housing, and mental and behavioral health services.

(B) A description of the actions taken by the local government to connect individuals who are unhoused to the resources described in subparagraph (A).

(C) ~~(i) Most up-to-date data on the population number of individuals who are unhoused, which shall include all of the following: unhoused.~~

~~(I) The number of individuals who are unhoused.~~

~~(II) The average length of time individuals are unhoused.~~

~~(III) The number and percentage of individuals who are unhoused that moved into permanent housing.~~

~~(IV) The number of people who become unhoused after moving into permanent housing.~~

~~(V) The number of people who became unhoused for the first time.~~

~~(VI) The number of people who become unhoused after exiting institutional settings, including, but not limited to, jails, prisons, and hospitals.~~

~~(ii) The data specified in clause (i) shall be disaggregated by age, racial, and ethnic demographics.~~

(D) A description of key actions that will be taken to reduce *the number of* individuals who are unhoused based on the data points described in subparagraph (C).

(E) *A description of key actions that will be taken to prevent individuals from becoming unhoused.*

~~(F)~~

(F) Actions taken to coordinate with cities in the region, counties or council of governments, and identification and analysis of the specific roles and responsibilities regarding outreach and site coordination, siting and use of available land, the development of

1 shelter, interim, and permanent housing options, and the
2 coordination and connection to the delivery of services to
3 individuals who are unhoused, or at risk of becoming unhoused,
4 including specifying roles and coordination plans in relation to the
5 Mental Health Services Act or Behavioral Health Services Act,
6 within the ~~region~~. *region and engagement in the regionally*
7 *coordinated homelessness action plan required pursuant to the*
8 *Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program (Chapter*
9 *6 (commencing with Section 50216) and Chapter 6.5 (commencing*
10 *with Section 50230) of Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health and*
11 *Safety Code).*

12 ~~(F) Identify programs that prevent individuals from becoming~~
13 ~~unhoused and other actions taken to prevent vulnerable populations~~
14 ~~from becoming unhoused, such as current and former foster youth,~~
15 ~~veterans, persons exiting the judicial system, and persons with~~
16 ~~special housing needs.~~

17 *(G) Actions taken to reduce barriers and expedite the approval*
18 *processes for approving interim and permanent housing options.*

19 (b) (1) A statement of the community's goals, quantified
20 objectives, and policies relative to affirmatively furthering fair
21 housing and to the maintenance, preservation, improvement, and
22 development of housing.

23 (2) It is recognized that the total housing needs identified
24 pursuant to subdivision (a) may exceed available resources and
25 the community's ability to satisfy this need within the content of
26 the general plan requirements outlined in Article 5 (commencing
27 with Section 65300). Under these circumstances, the quantified
28 objectives need not be identical to the total housing needs. The
29 quantified objectives shall establish the maximum number of
30 housing units by income category that can be constructed,
31 rehabilitated, and conserved over a five-year time period.

32 (c) A program that sets forth a schedule of actions during the
33 planning period, each with a timeline for implementation, that may
34 recognize that certain programs are ongoing, such that there will
35 be beneficial impacts of the programs within the planning period,
36 that the local government is undertaking or intends to undertake
37 to implement the policies and achieve the goals and objectives of
38 the housing element through the administration of land use and
39 development controls, the provision of regulatory concessions and
40 incentives, the utilization of appropriate federal and state financing

1 and subsidy programs when available, and the utilization of moneys
2 in a low- and moderate-income housing fund of an agency if the
3 locality has established a redevelopment project area pursuant to
4 the Community Redevelopment Law (Division 24 (commencing
5 with Section 33000) of the Health and Safety Code). In order to
6 make adequate provision for the housing needs of all economic
7 segments of the community, the program shall do all of the
8 following:

9 (1) Identify actions that will be taken to make sites available
10 during the planning period with appropriate zoning and
11 development standards and with services and facilities to
12 accommodate that portion of the city's or county's share of the
13 regional housing need for all income levels that could not be
14 accommodated on sites identified in the inventory completed
15 pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) without rezoning, and
16 to comply with the requirements of Section 65584.09. Sites shall
17 be identified as needed to affirmatively further fair housing and
18 to facilitate and encourage the development of a variety of types
19 of housing for all income levels, including multifamily rental
20 housing, factory-built housing, mobilehomes, housing for
21 agricultural employees, supportive housing, single-room occupancy
22 units, emergency shelters, and transitional housing.

23 (A) Where the inventory of sites, pursuant to paragraph (3) of
24 subdivision (a), does not identify adequate sites to accommodate
25 the need for groups of all household income levels pursuant to
26 Section 65584, a program for rezoning of those sites, subject to
27 the following deadlines:

28 (i) For the adoption of the sixth revision of the housing element,
29 jurisdictions with an eight-year housing element planning period
30 pursuant to Section 65588, including adoption of minimum density
31 and development standards or, for a jurisdiction in the coastal zone,
32 any necessary local coastal program amendments related to land
33 use designations, changes in intensity of land use, zoning
34 ordinances, or zoning district maps, consistent with Sections 30512,
35 30512.2, 30513, and 30514 of the Public Resources Code, shall
36 be completed no later than three years after either the date the
37 housing element is adopted pursuant to subdivision (f) of Section
38 65585 or the date that is 90 days after receipt of comments from
39 the department pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 65585,
40 whichever is earlier, unless the deadline is extended pursuant to

1 subdivision (f). Notwithstanding the foregoing, for a local
2 government that fails to adopt a housing element that the
3 department has found to be in substantial compliance with this
4 article within 120 days of the statutory deadline in Section 65588
5 for adoption of the housing element, rezoning of those sites,
6 including adoption of minimum density and development standards
7 or, for a jurisdiction in the coastal zone, any necessary local coastal
8 program amendments related to land use designations, changes in
9 intensity of land use, zoning ordinances, or zoning district maps,
10 consistent with Sections 30512, 30512.2, 30513, and 30514 of the
11 Public Resources Code, shall be completed no later than one year
12 from the statutory deadline in Section 65588 for adoption of the
13 housing element.

14 (ii) For adoption of the seventh and all subsequent revisions of
15 the housing element, rezonings shall be completed no later than
16 one year from the statutory deadline in Section 65588 for adoption
17 of the housing element.

18 (iii) Notwithstanding clause (ii), for the adoption of the seventh
19 and all subsequent revisions of the housing element, rezonings
20 shall be completed no later than three years and 90 days after the
21 statutory deadline in Section 65588 for adoption of the housing
22 element, unless the deadline is extended pursuant to subdivision
23 (f). This clause shall apply only if the local government complies
24 with all of the following:

25 (I) The local government submits a draft element or draft
26 amendment to the department for review pursuant to paragraph
27 (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 65585 at least 90 days before the
28 statutory deadline established in Section 65588 for adoption of the
29 housing element.

30 (II) The local government receives from the department findings
31 that the draft element or draft amendment substantially complies
32 with this article pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of
33 Section 65585 on or before the statutory deadline set forth in
34 Section 65588 for adoption of the housing element.

35 (III) The local government adopts the draft element or draft
36 amendment that the department found to substantially comply with
37 this article no later than 120 days after the statutory deadline set
38 forth in Section 65588.

39 (B) Where the inventory of sites, pursuant to paragraph (3) of
40 subdivision (a), does not identify adequate sites to accommodate

1 the need for groups of all household income levels pursuant to
2 Section 65584, the program shall identify sites that can be
3 developed for housing within the planning period pursuant to
4 subdivision (h) of Section 65583.2. The identification of sites shall
5 include all components specified in Section 65583.2.

6 (C) Where the inventory of sites pursuant to paragraph (3) of
7 subdivision (a) does not identify adequate sites to accommodate
8 the need for farmworker housing, the program shall provide for
9 sufficient sites to meet the need with zoning that permits
10 farmworker housing use by right, including density and
11 development standards that could accommodate and facilitate the
12 feasibility of the development of farmworker housing for low- and
13 very low income households.

14 (2) (A) Assist in the development of adequate housing to meet
15 the needs of extremely low, very low, low-, and moderate-income
16 households.

17 (B) For the seventh and subsequent revisions of the housing
18 element, the program shall also assist in the development of
19 adequate housing to meet the needs of acutely low income
20 households.

21 (3) Address and, where appropriate and legally possible, remove
22 governmental and nongovernmental constraints to the maintenance,
23 improvement, and development of housing, including housing for
24 all income levels and housing for persons with disabilities. The
25 program shall remove constraints to, and provide reasonable
26 accommodations for housing designed for, intended for occupancy
27 by, or with supportive services for, persons with disabilities.
28 Transitional housing and supportive housing shall be considered
29 a residential use of property and shall be subject only to those
30 restrictions that apply to other residential dwellings of the same
31 type in the same zone. Supportive housing, as defined in Section
32 65650, shall be a use by right in all zones where multifamily and
33 mixed uses are permitted, as provided in Article 11 (commencing
34 with Section 65650).

35 (4) Conserve and improve the condition of the existing
36 affordable housing stock, which may include addressing ways to
37 mitigate the loss of dwelling units demolished by public or private
38 action.

39 (5) Promote and affirmatively further fair housing opportunities
40 and promote housing throughout the community or communities

1 for all persons regardless of race, religion, sex, marital status,
2 ancestry, national origin, color, familial status, or disability, and
3 other characteristics protected by the California Fair Employment
4 and Housing Act (Part 2.8 (commencing with Section 12900) of
5 Division 3 of Title 2), Section 65008, and any other state and
6 federal fair housing and planning law.

7 (6) Preserve for lower income households the assisted housing
8 developments identified pursuant to paragraph (9) of subdivision
9 (a). The program for preservation of the assisted housing
10 developments shall utilize, to the extent necessary, all available
11 federal, state, and local financing and subsidy programs identified
12 in paragraph (9) of subdivision (a), except where a community has
13 other urgent needs for which alternative funding sources are not
14 available. The program may include strategies that involve local
15 regulation and technical assistance.

16 (7) Develop a plan that incentivizes and promotes the creation
17 of accessory dwelling units that can be offered at affordable rent,
18 as defined in Section 50053 of the Health and Safety Code, for
19 very low, low-, or moderate-income households. For purposes of
20 this paragraph, “accessory dwelling units” has the same meaning
21 as “accessory dwelling unit” as defined in subdivision (a) of
22 Section 66313.

23 (8) Include an identification of the agencies and officials
24 responsible for the implementation of the various actions and the
25 means by which consistency will be achieved with other general
26 plan elements and community goals.

27 (9) Include a diligent effort by the local government to achieve
28 public participation of all economic segments of the community
29 in the development of the housing element, and the program shall
30 describe this effort.

31 (10) (A) Affirmatively further fair housing in accordance with
32 Chapter 15 (commencing with Section 8899.50) of Division 1 of
33 Title 2. The program shall include an assessment of fair housing
34 in the jurisdiction that shall include all of the following
35 components:

36 (i) A summary of fair housing issues in the jurisdiction and an
37 assessment of the jurisdiction’s fair housing enforcement and fair
38 housing outreach capacity.

39 (ii) An analysis of available federal, state, and local data and
40 knowledge to identify integration and segregation patterns and

1 trends, racially or ethnically concentrated areas of poverty and
2 affluence, disparities in access to opportunity, and disproportionate
3 housing needs, including displacement risk. The analysis shall
4 identify and examine such patterns, trends, areas, disparities, and
5 needs, both within the jurisdiction and comparing the jurisdiction
6 to the region in which it is located, based on race and other
7 characteristics protected by the California Fair Employment and
8 Housing Act (Part 2.8 (commencing with Section 12900) of
9 Division 3 of Title 2) and Section 65008.

10 (iii) An assessment of the contributing factors, including the
11 local and regional historical origins and current policies and
12 practices, for the fair housing issues identified under clauses (i)
13 and (ii).

14 (iv) An identification of the jurisdiction's fair housing priorities
15 and goals, giving highest priority to those factors identified in
16 clause (iii) that limit or deny fair housing choice or access to
17 opportunity, or negatively impact fair housing or civil rights
18 compliance, and identifying the metrics and milestones for
19 determining what fair housing results will be achieved.

20 (v) Strategies and actions to implement those priorities and
21 goals, which may include, but are not limited to, enhancing
22 mobility strategies and encouraging development of new affordable
23 housing in areas of opportunity, as well as place-based strategies
24 to encourage community revitalization, including preservation of
25 existing affordable housing, and protecting existing residents from
26 displacement.

27 (B) A jurisdiction that completes or revises an assessment of
28 fair housing pursuant to Subpart A (commencing with Section
29 5.150) of Part 5 of Subtitle A of Title 24 of the Code of Federal
30 Regulations, as published in Volume 80 of the Federal Register,
31 Number 136, page 42272, dated July 16, 2015, or an analysis of
32 impediments to fair housing choice in accordance with the
33 requirements of Section 91.225 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal
34 Regulations in effect before August 17, 2015, may incorporate
35 relevant portions of that assessment or revised assessment of fair
36 housing or analysis or revised analysis of impediments to fair
37 housing into its housing element.

38 (C) (i) The requirements of this paragraph shall apply to housing
39 elements due to be revised pursuant to Section 65588 on or after
40 January 1, 2021.

1 (ii) The assessment required pursuant to this paragraph shall be
2 completed before the planning agency makes its first draft revision
3 of a housing element available for public comment pursuant to
4 subdivision (b) of Section 65585.

5 (D) (i) The department shall develop a standardized reporting
6 format for programs and actions taken pursuant to this paragraph.
7 The standardized reporting format shall enable the reporting of all
8 of the assessment components listed in subparagraph (A) and, at
9 a minimum, include all of the following fields:

10 (I) Timelines for implementation.

11 (II) Responsible party or parties.

12 (III) Resources committed from the local budget to affirmatively
13 further fair housing.

14 (IV) Action areas.

15 (V) Potential impacts of the program.

16 (ii) A local government shall utilize the standardized report
17 format developed pursuant to this subparagraph for the seventh
18 and each subsequent revision of the housing element.

19 (d) (1) A local government may satisfy all or part of its
20 requirement to identify a zone or zones suitable for the
21 development of emergency shelters pursuant to paragraph (4) of
22 subdivision (a) by adopting and implementing a multijurisdictional
23 agreement, with a maximum of two other adjacent communities,
24 that requires the participating jurisdictions to develop at least one
25 year-round emergency shelter within two years of the beginning
26 of the planning period.

27 (2) The agreement shall allocate a portion of the new shelter
28 capacity to each jurisdiction as credit toward its emergency shelter
29 need, and each jurisdiction shall describe how the capacity was
30 allocated as part of its housing element.

31 (3) Each member jurisdiction of a multijurisdictional agreement
32 shall describe in its housing element all of the following:

33 (A) How the joint facility will meet the jurisdiction's emergency
34 shelter need.

35 (B) The jurisdiction's contribution to the facility for both the
36 development and ongoing operation and management of the
37 facility.

38 (C) The amount and source of the funding that the jurisdiction
39 contributes to the facility.

1 (4) The aggregate capacity claimed by the participating
2 jurisdictions in their housing elements shall not exceed the actual
3 capacity of the shelter.

4 (e) Except as otherwise provided in this article, amendments to
5 this article that alter the required content of a housing element
6 shall apply to both of the following:

7 (1) A housing element or housing element amendment prepared
8 pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 65588 or Section 65584.02,
9 when a city, county, or city and county submits a draft to the
10 department for review pursuant to Section 65585 more than 90
11 days after the effective date of the amendment to this section.

12 (2) Any housing element or housing element amendment
13 prepared pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 65588 or Section
14 65584.02, when the city, county, or city and county fails to submit
15 the first draft to the department before the due date specified in
16 Section 65588 or 65584.02.

17 (f) The deadline for completing required rezoning pursuant to
18 subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) shall be
19 extended by one year if the local government has completed the
20 rezoning at densities sufficient to accommodate at least 75 percent
21 of the units for lower income households and if the legislative
22 body at the conclusion of a public hearing determines, based upon
23 substantial evidence, that any of the following circumstances exists:

24 (1) The local government has been unable to complete the
25 rezoning because of the action or inaction beyond the control of
26 the local government of any other state, federal, or local agency.

27 (2) The local government is unable to complete the rezoning
28 because of infrastructure deficiencies due to fiscal or regulatory
29 constraints.

30 (3) The local government must undertake a major revision to
31 its general plan in order to accommodate the housing-related
32 policies of a sustainable communities strategy or an alternative
33 planning strategy adopted pursuant to Section 65080.

34 The resolution and the findings shall be transmitted to the
35 department together with a detailed budget and schedule for
36 preparation and adoption of the required rezonings, including plans
37 for citizen participation and expected interim action. The schedule
38 shall provide for adoption of the required rezoning within one year
39 of the adoption of the resolution.

(g) (1) If a local government fails to complete the rezoning by the deadline provided in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (c), as it may be extended pursuant to subdivision (f), except as provided in paragraph (2), a local government may not disapprove a housing development project, nor require a conditional use permit, planned unit development permit, or other locally imposed discretionary permit, or impose a condition that would render the project infeasible, if the housing development project, (A) is proposed to be located on a site required to be rezoned pursuant to the program action required by that subparagraph and, (B) complies with applicable, objective general plan and zoning standards and criteria, including design review standards, described in the program action required by that subparagraph. Any subdivision of sites shall be subject to the Subdivision Map Act (Division 2 (commencing with Section 66410)). Design review shall not constitute a “project” for purposes of Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code.

(2) A local government may disapprove a housing development described in paragraph (1) if it makes written findings supported by substantial evidence on the record that both of the following conditions exist:

(A) The housing development project would have a specific, adverse impact upon the public health or safety unless the project is disapproved or approved upon the condition that the project be developed at a lower density. As used in this paragraph, a “specific, adverse impact” means a significant, quantifiable, direct, and unavoidable impact, based on objective, identified written public health or safety standards, policies, or conditions as they existed on the date the application was deemed complete.

(B) There is no feasible method to satisfactorily mitigate or avoid the adverse impact identified pursuant to paragraph (1), other than the disapproval of the housing development project or the approval of the project upon the condition that it be developed at a lower density.

(3) The applicant or any interested person may bring an action to enforce this subdivision. If a court finds that the local agency disapproved a project or conditioned its approval in violation of this subdivision, the court shall issue an order or judgment compelling compliance within 60 days. The court shall retain

1 jurisdiction to ensure that its order or judgment is carried out. If
2 the court determines that its order or judgment has not been carried
3 out within 60 days, the court may issue further orders to ensure
4 that the purposes and policies of this subdivision are fulfilled. In
5 any such action, the city, county, or city and county shall bear the
6 burden of proof.

7 (4) For purposes of this subdivision, “housing development
8 project” means a project to construct residential units for which
9 the project developer provides sufficient legal commitments to the
10 appropriate local agency to ensure the continued availability and
11 use of at least 49 percent of the housing units for very low, low-,
12 and moderate-income households with an affordable housing cost
13 or affordable rent, as defined in Section 50052.5 or 50053 of the
14 Health and Safety Code, respectively, for the period required by
15 the applicable financing.

16 (h) An action to enforce the program actions of the housing
17 element shall be brought pursuant to Section 1085 of the Code of
18 Civil Procedure.

19 (i) Notwithstanding any other law, the otherwise applicable
20 timeframe set forth in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) and
21 subdivision (d) of Section 21080.3.1 of the Public Resources Code,
22 and paragraph (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 21082.3 of the
23 Public Resources Code, for a Native American tribe to respond to
24 a lead agency and request consultation in writing is extended by
25 30 days for any housing development project application
26 determined or deemed to be complete on or after March 4, 2020,
27 and prior to December 31, 2021.

28 (j) On or after January 1, 2024, at the discretion of the
29 department, the analysis of government constraints pursuant to
30 paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) may include an analysis of
31 constraints upon the maintenance, improvement, or development
32 of housing for persons with a characteristic identified in subdivision
33 (b) of Section 51 of the Civil Code. The implementation of this
34 subdivision is contingent upon an appropriation by the Legislature
35 in the annual Budget Act or another statute for this purpose.

36 ~~SEC. 3.—Article 3 (commencing with Section 50245) is added~~
37 ~~to Chapter 6.5 of Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety~~
38 ~~Code, to read:~~

1 Article 3. ~~Round 7 of the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and~~
2 ~~Prevention Program~~

3
4 50245. ~~For the purposes of this article:~~

5 (a) ~~“City” means a city or city and county that is legally~~
6 ~~incorporated to provide local government services to its population.~~
7 ~~A city can be organized either under the general laws of this state~~
8 ~~or under a charter adopted by the local voters.~~

9 (b) ~~“City-operated shelter” means low barrier navigation centers;~~
10 ~~interim housing, safe parking sites, and safe camping sites that are~~
11 ~~owned or leased by a city and are operated by a city or by a~~
12 ~~nonprofit provider contracted by a city.~~

13 (c) ~~“Low barrier navigation center” means a low barrier~~
14 ~~navigation center, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 65660~~
15 ~~of the Government Code.~~

16 50246. (a) ~~Upon appropriation by the Legislature, Round 7 of~~
17 ~~the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program is~~
18 ~~hereby established.~~

19 (b) ~~The department shall administer all aspects of the program~~
20 ~~in accordance with this article.~~

21 50247. (a) ~~To be eligible for a Round 7 base program~~
22 ~~allocation, a jurisdiction that is not a tribe shall apply as part of a~~
23 ~~region and shall be signatory to a Round 7 regionally coordinated~~
24 ~~homelessness action plan that has been approved by the department.~~

25 (b) ~~The department shall approve a Round 7 regionally~~
26 ~~coordinated homelessness action plan when the department~~
27 ~~determines that the plan meets all of the requirements of this~~
28 ~~section.~~

29 (c) ~~The Round 7 regionally coordinated homelessness action~~
30 ~~plan shall include all of the following components:~~

31 (1) ~~For each city, an inventory of existing and planned~~
32 ~~city-operated shelters. The inventory must include the location,~~
33 ~~size, and capacity of each shelter.~~

34 (2) ~~The expected costs for city-operated shelters listed in~~
35 ~~paragraph (1).~~

36 (A) ~~Counties shall coordinate with cities to determine the~~
37 ~~expected costs.~~

38 (B) ~~Cities shall provide counties with estimates of the annual~~
39 ~~total cost to operate the shelters.~~

1 ~~(C) Beginning on January 1, 2026, the expected costs shall not~~
2 ~~exceed 125 percent of the most recent three-year average of the~~
3 ~~annual cost to operate the city's shelters.~~

4 ~~(3) (A) A commitment by counties to contribute 50 percent of~~
5 ~~the expected costs described in paragraph (2). The contribution~~
6 ~~may include the value of resources provided to city shelters,~~
7 ~~including any of the following:~~

8 ~~(i) Social services provided to clients of city shelters.~~

9 ~~(ii) Assistance with services, infrastructure, and capacity~~
10 ~~building under the Providing Access and Transforming Health~~
11 ~~(PATH) program pursuant to Section 14184.700 of the Welfare~~
12 ~~and Institutions Code. The value of the resource provided pursuant~~
13 ~~to this clause shall be incentive payments, grants, or other financial~~
14 ~~support made to cities pursuant to Section 14184.700 of the~~
15 ~~Welfare and Institutions Code as a result of the assistance.~~

16 ~~(iii) Staff and contractors provided to city-operated shelters.~~
17 ~~The value of the resource provided pursuant to this clause shall be~~
18 ~~the cost of providing staff and contractors.~~

19 ~~(B) The Legislature finds and declares that the purpose of this~~
20 ~~paragraph is to:~~

21 ~~(i) Ensure counties provide funding to offset one-half of cities'~~
22 ~~costs to operate their facilities serving individuals who are~~
23 ~~unhoused.~~

24 ~~(ii) Permit the value of services counties provide to support the~~
25 ~~operation of city shelters to be applied toward the mandatory~~
26 ~~funding counties provide. These services may include staffing,~~
27 ~~assistance with billing Medi-Cal managed care organizations, and~~
28 ~~benefits programs, including CalWORKS and CalFresh, provided~~
29 ~~to clients of cities' homeless-serving facilities.~~

30 ~~(d) The regionally coordinated homelessness action plan shall~~
31 ~~be reflected in a memorandum of understanding committing each~~
32 ~~signatory to participation in, and to comply with, the regionally~~
33 ~~coordinated homelessness action plan.~~

34 ~~50248. (a) (1) On or before the end of the 2025–26 fiscal year,~~
35 ~~a grantee shall submit to the department an update on their Round~~
36 ~~7 regionally coordinated homelessness action plan activities, which~~
37 ~~shall include the contribution made pursuant paragraph (3) of~~
38 ~~subdivision (c) of Section 50247.~~

1 ~~(2) The department shall, within 30 days, review the update and~~
2 ~~report its findings to the participating grantee pursuant to this~~
3 ~~subdivision.~~

4 ~~(3) If the department finds that the grantee has adhered to the~~
5 ~~requirements of this article, or concludes that the grantee has~~
6 ~~addressed any shortcomings in the update, the department shall~~
7 ~~approve the update.~~

8 ~~(4) (A) If the department finds that a grantee failed to adhere~~
9 ~~to the requirements of this article, the department may require the~~
10 ~~participating jurisdictions in the region to make specific changes~~
11 ~~needed to meet the requirements of this article and may require~~
12 ~~the participating jurisdictions to provide a corrective action plan~~
13 ~~to the update to the regionally coordinated action plan to address~~
14 ~~these findings. Participating jurisdictions shall accomplish these~~
15 ~~changes or submit a corrective action plan, as applicable, within~~
16 ~~30 days of being notified by the department.~~

17 ~~(B) The department shall have 30 days to review the changes~~
18 ~~or corrective action plan, as applicable, to determine if they~~
19 ~~addressed the department's concerns and approve the update, or~~
20 ~~to provide the grantee with additional guidance and a deadline for~~
21 ~~making changes or further amending the corrective action plan to~~
22 ~~address the department's concerns.~~

23 ~~(b) (1) A board of supervisors of a county may adopt a~~
24 ~~resolution determining that complying with paragraph (3) of~~
25 ~~subdivision (c) of Section 50247 is financially infeasible and the~~
26 ~~county has made attempts to obtain maximum funding available~~
27 ~~to the county.~~

28 ~~(2) If a board of supervisors adopt a resolution pursuant to~~
29 ~~paragraph (1), the department shall conduct a review of a county's~~
30 ~~financial documents to determine the contribution percentage that~~
31 ~~is financially feasible.~~

32 ~~(3) A county shall contribute the contribution percentage~~
33 ~~determined by the department pursuant to paragraph (2).~~

34 ~~(c) (1) On or before the end of the 2025-26 fiscal year, cities~~
35 ~~shall submit to the department the actual operating cost of~~
36 ~~city-operated shelters.~~

37 ~~(2) If the counties' contribution exceed the contribution required~~
38 ~~by paragraph (3) of subdivision (c) of Section 50247, cities shall~~
39 ~~reimburse the counties the excess contribution.~~

1 ~~(d) The department may withhold 50 percent of the funds from~~
2 ~~a grantee until the department has approved the update to the~~
3 ~~grantee's Round 7 regionally coordinated homelessness action~~
4 ~~plan.~~

5 ~~SEC. 4. Section 5963.02 of the Welfare and Institutions Code~~
6 ~~is amended to read:~~

7 ~~5963.02. (a) (1) Each county shall prepare and submit an~~
8 ~~integrated plan and annual updates to the Behavioral Health~~
9 ~~Services Oversight and Accountability Commission and the~~
10 ~~department.~~

11 ~~(2) All references to the three-year program and expenditure~~
12 ~~plan mean the integrated plan.~~

13 ~~(3) Each county's board of supervisors shall approve the~~
14 ~~integrated plan and annual updates by June 30 prior to the fiscal~~
15 ~~year or years the integrated plan or update would cover.~~

16 ~~(4) A county shall not use the integrated plan to demonstrate~~
17 ~~compliance with federal law, state law, or requirements imposed~~
18 ~~by the department related to programs listed in subdivision (c).~~

19 ~~(b) (1) Each section of the integrated plan and annual update~~
20 ~~listed in subdivision (c) shall be based on available funding or~~
21 ~~obligations under Section 30025 of the Government Code and~~
22 ~~corresponding contracts for the applicable fiscal years and in~~
23 ~~accordance with established stakeholder engagement and planning~~
24 ~~requirements as required in Section 5963.03.~~

25 ~~(2) A county shall consider relevant data sources, including~~
26 ~~local data, to guide addressing local needs, including the prevalence~~
27 ~~of mental health and substance use disorders, the unmet need for~~
28 ~~mental health and substance use disorder treatment in the county,~~
29 ~~behavioral health disparities, and the homelessness point-in-time~~
30 ~~count, in preparing each integrated plan and annual update, and~~
31 ~~should use the data to demonstrate how the plan appropriately~~
32 ~~allocates funding between mental health and substance use disorder~~
33 ~~treatment services.~~

34 ~~(3) A county shall consider the population needs assessment of~~
35 ~~each Medi-Cal managed care plan, as defined in subdivision (j) of~~
36 ~~Section 14184.101, that covers residents of the county in preparing~~
37 ~~each integrated plan and annual update.~~

38 ~~(4) A county shall consider the community health improvement~~
39 ~~plan of the local health jurisdiction for the county in preparing~~
40 ~~each integrated plan and annual update.~~

1 ~~(5) A county shall stratify data to identify behavioral health~~
2 ~~disparities and consider approaches to eliminate disparities;~~
3 ~~including, but not limited to, promising practices, models of care,~~
4 ~~community-defined evidence practices, workforce diversity, and~~
5 ~~cultural responsiveness in preparing each integrated plan and~~
6 ~~annual update.~~

7 ~~(6) A county shall report and consider the achievement of~~
8 ~~defined goals and outcomes measures of the prior integrated plan~~
9 ~~and annual update, in addition to other data and information as~~
10 ~~specified by the department pursuant to Section 5963.05, in~~
11 ~~preparing each integrated plan and annual update.~~

12 ~~(7) A county with a population greater than 200,000 shall~~
13 ~~collaborate with the five most populous cities in the county;~~
14 ~~managed care plans, and continuums of care to outline respective~~
15 ~~responsibilities and coordination of services related to housing~~
16 ~~interventions described in Section 5830.~~

17 ~~(8) A county shall consider input and feedback into the plan~~
18 ~~provided by stakeholders, including, but not limited to, those with~~
19 ~~lived behavioral health experience, including peers and families.~~

20 ~~(c) The integrated plan and annual updates shall include a section~~
21 ~~for each of the following:~~

22 ~~(1) (A) Community mental health services provided pursuant~~
23 ~~to Part 2 (commencing with Section 5600):~~

24 ~~(B) Programs and services funded from the Behavioral Health~~
25 ~~Services Fund pursuant to Section 5890, including a description~~
26 ~~of how the county meets the requirements of paragraph (7) of~~
27 ~~subdivision (b):~~

28 ~~(C) Programs and services funded by the Projects for Assistance~~
29 ~~in Transition from Homelessness grant pursuant to Sections~~
30 ~~290ee-21 to 290ee-35, inclusive, of Title 42 of the United States~~
31 ~~Code.~~

32 ~~(D) Programs and services funded by the Community Mental~~
33 ~~Health Services Block Grant pursuant to Sections 300x to 300x-9,~~
34 ~~inclusive, of Title 42 of the United States Code.~~

35 ~~(E) Programs and services funded by the Substance Abuse Block~~
36 ~~Grant pursuant to Sections 300x-21 to 300x-35, inclusive, of Title~~
37 ~~42 of the United States Code.~~

38 ~~(F) Programs and services provided pursuant to Article 5~~
39 ~~(commencing with Section 14680) of Chapter 8.8 of Part 3 of~~

~~Division 9 and Chapter 8.9 (commencing with Section 14700) of Part 3 of Division 9.~~

~~(G) Programs and services provided pursuant to Article 3.2 (commencing with Section 14124.20) of Chapter 7 of Part 3 of Division 9.~~

~~(H) Programs and services provided pursuant to Section 14184.401.~~

~~(I) Programs and services funded by distributions from the Opioid Settlements Fund established pursuant to Section 12534 of the Government Code.~~

~~(J) Services provided through other federal grants or other county mental health and substance use disorder programs.~~

~~(K) Programs and services provided pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (c) of Section 50247 of the Health and Safety Code.~~

~~(2) A budget that includes the county planned expenditures and reserves for the county distributions from the Behavioral Health Service Fund and any other funds allocated to the county to provide the services and programs set forth in paragraph (1). The budget shall also include proposed adjustments pursuant to the requirements set forth in paragraph (c) of Section 5892.~~

~~(3) (A) A description of how the integrated plan and annual update aligns with statewide behavioral health goals and outcome measures, including goals and outcome measures to reduce identified disparities, as defined by the department in consultation with counties, stakeholders, and the Behavioral Health Services and Oversight Accountability Commission, pursuant to Section 5963.05.~~

~~(B) Outcome measures may include, but are not limited to, measures that demonstrate achievement of goals to reduce homelessness among those eligible for housing interventions pursuant to Section 5830 and measures that demonstrate reductions in the number of people who are justice-involved in the county and who are eligible adults or older adults, as defined in Section 5892, or eligible children and youth, as defined in Section 5892.~~

~~(4) A description of how the integrated plan aligns with local goals and outcome measures for behavioral health, including goals and outcome measures to reduce identified disparities.~~

~~(5) The programs and services specified in paragraph (1) shall include descriptions of efforts to reduce identified disparities in behavioral health outcomes.~~

1 ~~(6) A description of the data sources considered to meet the~~
2 ~~requirements specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b).~~

3 ~~(7) A description of how the county has considered the unique~~
4 ~~needs of LGBTQ+ youth, justice-involved youth, child~~
5 ~~welfare-involved, justice-involved adults, and older adults in the~~
6 ~~housing intervention program pursuant to Part 3.2 (commencing~~
7 ~~with Section 5830) and Full Service Partnership program pursuant~~
8 ~~to Part 4.1 (commencing with Section 5887).~~

9 ~~(8) A description of its workforce strategy, to include actions~~
10 ~~the county will take to ensure its county and noncounty contracted~~
11 ~~behavioral health workforce is well-supported and culturally and~~
12 ~~linguistically concordant with the population to be served, and~~
13 ~~robust enough to achieve the statewide and local behavioral health~~
14 ~~goals and measures. This description shall include how the county~~
15 ~~will do all of the following:~~

16 ~~(A) Maintain and monitor a network of appropriate, high-quality,~~
17 ~~culturally and linguistically concordant county and noncounty~~
18 ~~contracted providers, where applicable, that is sufficient to provide~~
19 ~~adequate access to services and supports for individuals with~~
20 ~~behavioral health needs.~~

21 ~~(B) Meet federal and state standards for timely access to care~~
22 ~~and services, considering the urgency of the need for services.~~

23 ~~(C) Ensure the health and welfare of the individual and support~~
24 ~~community integration of the individual.~~

25 ~~(D) Promote the delivery of services in a culturally competent~~
26 ~~manner to all individuals, including those with limited English~~
27 ~~proficiency and diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds and~~
28 ~~disabilities, regardless of age, religion, sexual orientation, and~~
29 ~~gender identity.~~

30 ~~(E) Ensure physical access, reasonable accommodations, and~~
31 ~~accessible equipment for individuals with physical, intellectual~~
32 ~~and developmental, and mental disabilities.~~

33 ~~(F) Select and retain all contracted network providers, including~~
34 ~~ensuring all contracted providers meet minimum standards for~~
35 ~~license, certification, training, experience, and credentialing~~
36 ~~requirements.~~

37 ~~(G) Ensure that the contractor's hiring practices meet applicable~~
38 ~~nondiscrimination standards and demonstrate best practices in~~
39 ~~promoting diversity and equity.~~

~~(H) Adequately fund contracts to ensure that noncounty contracted providers are resourced to achieve the behavioral health goals outlined in their contract for the purposes of meeting statewide metrics.~~

~~(I) Conduct oversight of compliance of all federal and state laws and regulations of all contracted network providers.~~

~~(J) Fill county vacancies and retain county employees providing direct behavioral health services, if applicable.~~

~~(9) A description of the system developed to transition a beneficiary's care between the beneficiary's mental health plan and their managed care plan based upon the beneficiary's health condition.~~

~~(10) Certification by the county behavioral health director, that ensures that the county has complied with all pertinent regulations, laws, and statutes, including stakeholder participation requirements.~~

~~(11) Certification by the county behavioral health director and by the county chief administration officer or their designee that the county has complied with fiscal accountability requirements, as directed by the department, and that all expenditures are consistent with applicable state and federal law.~~

~~(d) The county shall submit its integrated plan and annual updates to the department and the commission in a form and manner prescribed by the department.~~

~~(e) The department shall post on its internet website, in a timely manner, the integrated plan submitted by every county pursuant to this section.~~

~~(f) This section shall become operative on July 1, 2026, if amendments to the Mental Health Services Act are approved by the voters at the March 5, 2024, statewide primary election.~~

SEC. 2. Section 8257.1 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

8257.1. (a) It is the intent of the Legislature to obtain trustworthy information to connect funding allocated to prevent and end homelessness with established sheltering and housing resources and to provide state agencies with accurate information to allow for more accurate forecasting to target future investments. To advance these goals, the coordinating council shall, upon appropriation by the Legislature, do all of the following:

(1) Conduct, or contract with an entity to conduct, a statewide homelessness assessment that will do all of the following:

1 (A) Identify all programs a state agency funds, implements, or
2 administers for the purpose of providing unsheltered outreach
3 services, emergency shelter, housing or housing-based services to
4 persons experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness and
5 do all of the following:

6 (i) Identify homelessness interventions and service categories
7 available statewide and in geographically diverse regions across
8 the state.

9 (ii) Compile the amount of funding distributed to local
10 jurisdictions and its stated intent by the administering entity.

11 (iii) Identify the intended uses for the funds identified pursuant
12 to clause (ii) by type of intervention as stated by local jurisdictions
13 requesting funding made available for housing- or
14 homelessness-related services.

15 (iv) Identify conditions or premise of the funds identified
16 pursuant to clause (ii) as it relates to leveraging nonstate dollars.

17 (v) If applicable, reasons for the unavailability of data.

18 (B) Obtain the following information for each program identified
19 in subparagraph (A) to the extent that data is available in local
20 Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS), the
21 Homeless Data Integration System (HDIS) or other readily
22 available data sources:

23 (i) The number of permanent housing units that the program
24 made available.

25 (ii) The amount of rental subsidies, vouchers, or other forms of
26 financial support intended to prevent homelessness or to rehouse
27 individuals that the program made available.

28 (iii) The number of emergency shelter beds, vouchers, or units
29 that the program made available.

30 (iv) The wrap around services that the program offered.

31 (C) Collect data, to the extent data it is available, on the numbers
32 and demographics of persons served through the identified services,
33 including, but not limited to, a quantification of the disparities
34 across age, race, ethnicity, and other demographics based on the
35 following subpopulation categories to describe the homelessness
36 population relative to the general population:

37 (i) Young adults.

38 (ii) Unaccompanied minors.

39 (iii) Single adults experiencing either chronic or nonchronic
40 patterns of homelessness, of first-time homelessness.

1 (iv) Adults over 50 years of age.

2 (v) Veterans.

3 (vi) Families experiencing either chronic or nonchronic patterns
4 of homelessness, or first-time homelessness.

5 (D) For each program identified pursuant to subparagraph (A)
6 that provides housing or homelessness-related services, collect
7 and analyze the following data:

8 (i) The number of persons served annually by service or
9 intervention type by age, gender, and racial subgroupings.

10 (ii) Typical service mix use to develop portrait of the “types”
11 of system clients to better understand the holistic needs of people
12 experiencing homelessness and to forecast future uses and policies
13 of resources intended to address homelessness.

14 (iii) The service, services, or service mixes that are associated
15 with individuals exiting homelessness.

16 (iv) The duration and frequency individuals accessed services,
17 on average, and the length of time from program intake to the date
18 the individual moves into permanent housing or resolves
19 homelessness.

20 (v) Each type of housing and each type of intervention provided
21 disaggregated by age, racial, and gender characteristics of
22 recipients.

23 (vi) The number of individuals whose homelessness was
24 prevented after accessing homelessness prevention services

25 (vii) Information about the people who accessed the resources
26 identified in subparagraph (B) and disaggregated by demographic
27 characteristics described in subparagraph (C).

28 (viii) Analyze the results of current permanent and interim
29 housing programs by program type.

30 (ix) Additional data necessary to provide a comprehensive view
31 of the homelessness response system.

32 (E) Provide the reasons for lack of data availability, if applicable.

33 (2) (A) For purposes of collecting data to conduct the
34 assessment pursuant to paragraph (1), evaluate available data,
35 including, but not limited to, HDIS, data from state agencies
36 administering homelessness funds, statewide and local homeless
37 point-in-time counts and housing inventory counts, and available
38 statewide information on the number or rate of persons exiting
39 state-funded institutional settings, including, but not limited to,

1 state prisons and, to the extent possible, local jails, into
2 homelessness.

3 (B) The coordinating council may work with a technical
4 assistance provider from the federal Department of Housing and
5 Urban Development to complete the assessment.

6 (C) For purposes of collecting data pursuant to paragraph (1),
7 a local government may collaborate with the coordinating council
8 or the entity conducting the statewide assessment to, if available,
9 share existing data from existing local analyses of system needs
10 or gaps to complement other data requested.

11 (D) The coordinating council shall submit an interim report by
12 July 1, 2022, to the Assembly Housing and Community
13 Development Committee, the Assembly Committee on Budget,
14 Senate Committee on Housing, and Senate Committee on Budget
15 and Fiscal Review. The report submitted pursuant to this paragraph
16 shall comply with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

17 (E) The council shall report on the final assessment by December
18 31, 2022, to the Assembly Housing and Community Development
19 Committee, the Assembly Committee on Budget, Senate
20 Committee on Housing, and Senate Committee on Budget and
21 Fiscal Review. The report submitted pursuant to this paragraph
22 shall comply with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

23 *(b) (1) The Department of Housing and Community*
24 *Development shall complete, or contract to complete, an*
25 *assessment and financing plan to, in coordination with local*
26 *jurisdictions, address unsheltered and chronic homelessness in*
27 *the state over a 10-year period. The department shall report to the*
28 *Legislature on the assessment and financing plan by December*
29 *31, 2027. The report submitted pursuant to this paragraph shall*
30 *comply with Section 9795 of the Government Code.*

31 *(2) The assessment shall identify all of the following:*

32 *(A) The number of people experiencing unsheltered*
33 *homelessness and the number of people expected to fall into*
34 *unsheltered homelessness over the next 10 years, based on recent*
35 *data on rates of Californians becoming unsheltered.*

36 *(B) The unmet housing and services needs among the*
37 *populations identified in subparagraph (A).*

38 *(C) Evidence-based interventions required to meet the housing*
39 *and services needs of the populations identified in subparagraph*
40 *(A).*

1 (D) *The funding required to offer evidence-based interventions*
2 *at a scale great enough for populations identified in subparagraph*
3 *(A) to exit homelessness over the 10-year period.*

4 (E) *Of the funding identified as required in subparagraph (D),*
5 *existing resources that could be used to meet the unmet housing*
6 *and services needs of the populations identified in subparagraph*
7 *(A), including estimates of local funding available to serve these*
8 *populations. This can include the funding available for a spectrum*
9 *of interventions, from interventions to keep people safe while*
10 *homeless to evidence-based interventions to end homelessness,*
11 *including, but not limited to, additional shelters and interim and*
12 *permanent housing services solutions.*

13 (F) *Remaining resources required to end homelessness among*
14 *the populations identified in subparagraph (A), after taking into*
15 *consideration existing funding described in subparagraph (E).*
16 *This can include the funding necessary for a spectrum of*
17 *interventions, from interventions to keep people safe while*
18 *homeless to evidence-based practices to end homelessness,*
19 *including, but not limited to, additional shelters and interim and*
20 *permanent housing solutions.*

21 (G) *The actions that state and local governments need to take*
22 *in order to create the resources identified in subparagraph (F)*
23 *and recommendations to the Legislature for how and when to*
24 *accomplish those actions.*

25 (3) *In conducting the assessment and financing plan, the*
26 *department or contractor shall consult with individuals with lived*
27 *experience of homelessness, affordable housing and homelessness*
28 *experts and advocates, researchers and housing data experts,*
29 *housing authority representatives, representatives of homeless*
30 *continuums of care, representatives of cities and counties,*
31 *representatives of Native American tribes, homeless services and*
32 *housing providers, and participants on the Interagency Council*
33 *on Homelessness' State Funding and Programs Working Group,*
34 *Racial Equity Working Group, and Youth and Young Adults*
35 *Working Group.*

36 ~~(b)~~

37 (c) *For purposes of this section, all of the following definitions*
38 *apply:*

1 (1) “Chronic homelessness” has the same definition as that in
2 Section 578.3 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as
3 that section read on January 1, 2020.

4 (2) “State-funded institutional settings” include, but are not
5 limited to, justice, juvenile justice, child welfare, and health care
6 settings.

7 (3) “Young adult” means a person 18 to 24 years of age,
8 inclusive.

9 (4) “Persons at risk of homelessness” means a person or family
10 in the circumstances described in Section 11302(a)(5) of Title 42
11 of the United States Code.

12 (5) “Homeless” has the same meaning as defined in Section
13 578.3 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as that section
14 read on January 10, 2019.

15 ~~SEC. 5.~~

16 *SEC. 3.* The Legislature finds and declares that Section-2 *I* of
17 this act amending Section 65583 of the Government Code
18 addresses a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal
19 affair as that term is used in Section 5 of Article XI of the
20 California Constitution. Therefore, Section-2 *I* of this act applies
21 to all cities, including charter cities.

22 ~~SEC. 6.~~

23 *SEC. 4.* If the Commission on State Mandates determines that
24 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to
25 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made
26 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division
27 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.