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SENATE BILL

No. 803

Introduced by Senator Becker

February 17, 2023

An act to amend Section 14684.3 of the Government Code, relating to housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 803, as amended, Becker. Excess state land: development of affordable housing.

Existing law establishes the Department of General Services (DGS) in the Government Operations Agency for purposes of, among other things, planning, acquiring, constructing, and maintaining state buildings and property. Under existing law, by executive order, the DGS was required to, among other things, create a digitized inventory of all excess state land, create screening tools for prioritizing affordable housing development on excess state land, and issue requests for proposals for and select affordable housing developments on excess state land, as described. Specifically, Executive Order No. N-06-19 (~~E.O. N-06-19~~) required the DGS to create a digitized inventory of excess state land no later than April 30, 2019, and required the DGS, the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), and the California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA) to collaborate to develop 2 new screening tools for prioritizing affordable housing development on excess state land no later than March 29, 2019.

Existing law requires the DGS to develop, in consultation with the HCD, no later than September 1, 2023, a set of criteria to consistently evaluate state-owned parcels for suitability as affordable housing sites.

Existing law requires the department, on or before January 1, 2024, to update the digitized inventory created pursuant to the above-described executive order with all excess state land suitable for affordable housing identified, as specified.

The bill would require the DGS to ~~annually~~ verify a sample of the digitized inventory *at least once every 4 years* to ensure that digitized inventory is accurate.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 14684.3 of the Government Code is
2 amended to read:
3 14684.3. (a) Not later than September 1, 2023, the department,
4 in consultation with the Department of Housing and Community
5 Development, shall develop a set of criteria to consistently evaluate
6 state-owned parcels for suitability as affordable housing sites.
7 (b) On or before July 1, 2024, and every four years thereafter,
8 the department shall do all of the following:
9 (1) Conduct a review of all state-owned property and identify
10 state-owned parcels that are potentially viable for affordable
11 housing based on the established criteria developed in subdivision
12 (a).
13 (2) Following each review, contact all related state agencies to
14 determine excess state land.
15 (3) Collaborate with the Department of Housing and Community
16 Development to prioritize excess state land for development.
17 (c) (1) On or before January 1, 2024, and every four years
18 thereafter, the department shall update the digitized inventory
19 created pursuant to Executive Order No. N-06-19 with all excess
20 state land suitable for affordable housing identified pursuant to
21 subdivision (b).
22 (2) Not later than June 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, the
23 department and the Department of Housing and Community
24 Development shall evaluate and update the screening tools jointly
25 developed pursuant to Executive Order No. N-06-19.
26 (3) The department, in consultation with the Department of
27 Housing and Community Development, shall pursue the
28 development of affordable housing on excess state properties,

1 including those in the digitized inventory described in paragraph
2 (1).

3 (4) The department ~~shall annually~~ *shall, at least once every four*
4 *years*, verify a sample of the digitized inventory created pursuant
5 to paragraph (1) *to ensure that the inventory* is accurate.

6 (d) (1) All state agencies shall respond to the department's
7 request for information to satisfy the requirements of this section.

8 (2) Notwithstanding any other law, all state agencies shall
9 consider exchanging excess state land with local governments for
10 other parcels for purposes of affordable housing development and
11 preservation, if the exchange is appropriate and maximizes regional
12 capacity to build and preserve affordable housing units.

13 (3) All state agencies shall use all existing legal and financial
14 authority, subject to the direction of the Governor, to expedite and
15 prioritize the developments described in paragraph (4) of
16 subdivision (c).

17 (e) For purposes of this section, "excess state land" means
18 state-owned parcels that are in excess of state agencies' foreseeable
19 needs.

20 (f) On or before January 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, the
21 department shall report to the Legislature on the status of the excess
22 state properties identified pursuant to subdivision (c), including,
23 but not limited to, whether the property has been leased and, if so,
24 for what purpose.