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**SENATE BILL** 

No. 782

## **Introduced by Senator Pérez**

February 21, 2025

An act to add Section 62313 to the Government Code, relating to local government.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 782, as amended, Pérez. Enhanced infrastructure financing district: climate resilience districts.

Existing law authorizes the legislative body of a city or a county to designate a proposed enhanced infrastructure financing district to finance public capital facilities or other specified projects, with a governing body referred to as the public financing authority, by adopting a resolution of intention to establish the proposed district.

Existing law authorizes a city, county, city and county, special district, or a combination of any of those entities to form a climate resilience district, as described, for the purposes of raising and allocating funding for eligible projects and the operating expenses of eligible projects. Existing law deems each district to be an enhanced infrastructure financing district and requires each district to comply with existing law concerning enhanced infrastructure financing districts, except as specified. Existing law requires a district to finance only specified projects that meet the definition of an eligible project, including projects that address sea level rise, extreme heat, extreme cold, the risk of wildfire, drought, and the risk of flooding, as specified.

This bill would authorize a city or county to adopt a resolution providing for the division of taxes of any participating entity without

following specified procedures for the preparation and adoption of an infrastructure financing plan, if certain conditions are met. The bill would require the entity proposing formation of the district to hold a public meeting to consider the resolution of intention to establish the district and a second public meeting to consider the adoption of the infrastructure financing plan, and would require the *entity proposing* formation of the district to post specified notices prior to the meetings. The bill would require the resolution to include specified information, including that incremental property tax revenue from the city or county and all affected taxing entities within the district may be used to finance the district's activities. The bill would require the district to make the infrastructure financing plan available for public inspection at least-10 30 days before the hearing to approve the formation of the district, second public meeting, and would require the designated official of the district to consult with each affected taxing entity prior to development of the infrastructure financing plan.

This bill would limit the use of the district's revenue to repairing or replacing buildings, low- and moderate-income housing, facilities, structures, or other improvements within the district, that have been damaged or destroyed by a disaster, as defined, or addressing mitigating the risk of a future-disaster. disaster, or supporting economic recovery from a disaster, as specified. The bill would define disaster for these purposes to mean any flood, fire, hurricane, carthquake, storm, tidal wave, or other catastrophe for which the Governor has certified the need for assistance and which the President of the United States has determined to be a major disaster, a disaster for which the Governor has declared a state of emergency, as specified.

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 62313 is added to the Government Code, 2 to read:

62313. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 62304,
a city or county may adopt a resolution providing for the division
of taxes of any participating entity without following the
procedures for the preparation and adoption of an infrastructure
financing plan described in Sections 53398.59 to 53398.66,
inclusive, if both all of the following are met:

1 (1) (A) The boundaries of the proposed district are limited to 2 an area in which the disaster damage has caused conditions that 3 are so prevalent and so substantial that they have caused a 4 reduction, or a lack, of the normal predisaster usage of the area to 5 an extent that causes a serious physical and economic burden that 6 cannot reasonably be expected to be reversed or alleviated during 7 the term of the infrastructure financing plan by private enterprise 8 or governmental action, or both, without redevelopment.

9 (B) Areas adjacent to the disaster area may be included within 10 the boundaries of the proposed district, but those adjacent areas

11 shall be no more than 20 percent of the total district area.

12 (*C*) The city or county adopts the resolution no more than two 13 years after the proclamation of the disaster.

14 (2) The resolution does all of the following:

15 (A) State that a district is proposed to be established under the

16 terms of this chapter and describe the boundaries of the proposed

17 district, which may be accomplished by reference to a map on file

18 in the office of the clerk of the city or in the office of the recorder

of the county, as applicable. The map may identify, within adistrict, certain areas which shall be referred to as "project areas."

(B) State the type of public facilities and development proposed
 to be financed or assisted by the district in accordance with Section
 53398.52: subdivision (f).

24 (C) State the need for the district and the goals the district 25 proposes to achieve.

(D) State that incremental property tax revenue from the city
or county and all affected taxing entities within the district, if
approved by resolution pursuant to Section 53398.68, may be used
to finance these activities.

30 (E) (i) State that a city, county, or city and county may allocate 31 tax revenues derived from local sales and use taxes imposed 32 pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax 33 Law (Part 1.5 (commencing with Section 7200) of Division 2 of 34 the Revenue and Taxation Code) or transactions and use taxes imposed in accordance with the Transactions and Use Tax Law 35 36 (Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the 37 Revenue and Taxation Code) to a district pursuant to Section 38 53398.75.5, if applicable.

(ii) The legislative body of the city or county that elects to make
an allocation pursuant to clause (i) shall-adopt *enact* an ordinance
to establish the following:

4 (I) The procedure by which the city or county will calculate the 5 revenues derived from sales and use taxes and transactions and 6 use taxes to be allocated to the enhanced infrastructure financing 7 district.

8 (II) The decision process by which the city or county will 9 determine the amount that will be dedicated to the proposed district.

10 (F) Fix a time and place for public meetings on the proposal.

(b) The *entity proposing formation of the* district shall hold two
public meetings on the proposal. The first public meeting shall be
to consider the resolution of intention to establish the district. The
second public meeting shall be to consider the adoption of the
infrastructure financing plan.

16 (c) The *entity proposing formation of the* district shall post 17 notice of each meeting required by this section in an easily 18 identifiable and accessible location on the district's internet website 19 at least 10 days before the meeting. The notice shall do all of the 20 following:

21 (1) Describe specifically the boundaries of the proposed area.

22 (2) Describe the purpose of the infrastructure financing plan.

(3) State the day, hour, and place when and where the publiccan inspect documents related to the district.

25 (d) After adopting the resolution of intention to establish a 26 district, the city or county shall designate an official to prepare a 27 proposed infrastructure financing plan. This plan shall include all 28 of the information required in Section 53398.63. The infrastructure 29 financing plan shall be made available for public inspection at 30 least-10 30 days before the hearing to approve the formation of 31 the district. second public meeting. The designated official shall 32 consult with each affected taxing entity, and, at the request of any affected taxing entity, shall meet with representatives of an affected 33 34 taxing entity. Any affected taxing entity may suggest revisions to

35 the plan.

36 (e) The district shall follow the procedures for amending the 37 infrastructure financing plan and providing an annual report

described in subdivision (j) of Section 53398.66, except that it

39 shall not be required to mail any written notices.

1 (f) A district established pursuant to this section shall limit the 2 use of its revenue to either of *only* the following:

3 (1) The purpose of acquiring, demolishing, removing, relocating, 4 repairing, restoring, rehabilitating, or replacing buildings, low-

5 and moderate-income housing, facilities, structures, or other 6 improvements, in accordance with applicable laws, which are

7 within the district, and which have been damaged or destroyed by

8 the disaster, which are unsafe to occupy, or which are required to9 be acquired, demolished, altered, or removed because of the

10 disaster.

11 (2) The purpose of addressing mitigating the risk of a future 12 disaster. disaster, including, but not limited to, both of the 13 following:

14 (A) Water and energy resource access and availability during 15 emergencies and natural disasters

16 (*B*) Undergrounding and hardening of electrical lines and other 17 utilities.

18 (3) The purpose of supporting economic recovery from a19 disaster, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

20 (A) Residential and commercial reconstruction.

(B) Affordable housing development pursuant to the provisions
 of Section 53398.52.

- 23 (C) Prevention of displacement.
- 24 (D) Low-interest construction loans.
- 25 (E) Capital access programs for small businesses.
- 26 (F) Workforce development and job training programs.

27 (g) Except as specifically provided in this section, a district

28 established pursuant to this section shall comply with the provisions

of Chapter 2.99 (commencing with Section 53398.50) of Part 1 ofDivision 2 of Title 5.

(h) Notwithstanding Section 53398.63, a district established
pursuant to this section may plan, adopt, and implement an
infrastructure financing plan, and the legislative body of the city
or county that created it may approve projects in the disaster area

even if it is inconsistent with the general plan, and specific plan,

36 if applicable, of the city or county within which the district is

37 located.

(i) For a district established pursuant to this section, both ofthe following shall apply:

1 (1) Bond proceeds shall not be used for costs of operations, 2 programs, or providing services of any kind.

3 (2) Notwithstanding Section 54902, the statement required by

4 Section 54900 may be filed with the auditor of each levying county,
5 and the statement and the map or plat shall be filed with each
6 assessor whose roll is used for the levy and with the State Board
7 of Equalization in Sacramento, no later than January 31 of the

8 year in which the assessments or taxes are to be levied.

9 <del>(i)</del>

10 (j) Prior to the termination of the district, a city or county may

11 include all or a portion of the district within a separate district.

12 However, any portion of the district included within the separate

13 district shall meet all the requirements of this division.

14 <del>(j)</del>

15 (k) For the purposes of this section, "disaster" means any flood,

16 fire, hurricane, earthquake, storm, tidal wave, or other catastrophe

17 occurring on or after January 1, 1996, for which the Governor of

18 the state has certified the need for assistance and which the

19 President of the United States has determined to be a major disaster

20 pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency

21 Assistance Act (Public Law 93–288), as it may be from time to

22 time amended. a disaster for which the Governor has declared a

23 state of emergency pursuant to Section 8625 of the California

24 Emergency Services Act (Chapter 7(commencing with Section

25 8550) of Division 1 of Title 2).

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