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# Councilmembers Dan Kab & Lynette Gibson McElhaney CITY OF OAKLAND

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# Agenda Memorandum

To: Rules & Legislation Committee

From: Councilmembers Dan Kalb and Lynette Gibson McElhaney

Date: February 2, 2017

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Subject: Support of SB 2: Building Homes and Jobs Act

Colleagues on the City Council and Members of the Public,

With our Resolution of Support for SB 2 (Atkins), we are submitting the attached Fact Sheet and text of the bill.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dan Kalb, Councilmember

Lynette Gibson McElhaney, Councilmember

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# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBERS DAN KALB AND LYNETTE GIBSON MCELHANEY

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 2 (ATKINS) THAT WOULD ESTABLISH A PERMANENT FUNDING SOURCE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING THROUGH A SMALL FEE ON REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION DOCUMENTS, EXCLUDING MOST PROPERTY SALE TRANSACTIONS.

WHEREAS, an adequate supply of housing affordable to persons at all income levels is critical to the economic prosperity and the quality of life of all people; and

WHEREAS, California faces a housing affordability crisis and has the second lowest homeowner rate in the nation, with five out of eight of the metropolitan areas with the lowest homeowner rates being located in California, most low-income and moderate-income residents struggling to afford the cost of living, and, for the first time, Standard and Poor's Ratings Services cited California's "Persistently high cost of housing" as contributing to a relatively weaker business climate and a credit weakness in the rating of California General Obligation bonds; and

WHEREAS, according to the Public Policy Institute of California, roughly 36% of mortgaged homeowners and approximately 48% of all renters are spending more than one-third of their household incomes on housing and, according to the McKinsey Global Institute, California loses an estimated \$140 billion per year in output (or 6% of state GDP) due to the housing shortage from lost construction investment and consumption crowded out by housing costs; and

WHEREAS, in the Bay Area, a region with great demand for housing and a high cost of living, the lack of affordable housing is a proven impediment to the attraction and retention of employees; and

WHEREAS, providing affordable housing for the City's homeless, low-income residents, and workforce has been identified as a top priority of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has sought to identify on-going funding sources for affordable housing and has directed the City's lobbyists in Sacramento and Washington, D.C. that affordable housing is a high priority for the City; and

WHEREAS, with state housing bonds running dry and the elimination of redevelopment, the availability of state dollars to leverage federal and private funds for housing has decreased to the lowest level in many years; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill (SB) 2 (Atkins) would require payment of a fee of seventy-five dollars (\$75) on recordation of documents related to real estate transactions for which document recording is required or permitted by law, provided, however this fee would not be imposed on most property sale transactions and would be capped at \$225 per transaction, and would establish an ongoing funding source to help residents of the state live within their means without incurring additional state debt; and

WHEREAS, SB 2 fees shall, after deduction of administrative costs incurred in their collection, be deposited in the Building Homes and Jobs Trust Fund to be expended for affordable housing, home ownership opportunities, and other housing-related programs; and

WHEREAS, SB 2 requires the California Department of Housing and Community Development (the "Department") to develop and submit to the California Legislature an investment strategy which, among other things, shall identify statewide needs, goals, objectives and outcomes for housing for a five-year time period and to promote a geographically balanced distribution of funds, including a 50% direct allocation to local governments; and

**WHEREAS,** SB 2 would require periodic auditing and reporting by the State Auditor's Office to ensure that the annual allocation to different programs are awarded by the Department in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, SB 2 would generate an estimated 29,000 jobs for every \$500 million dollars of fees spent on affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, in May of 2015, the Oakland City Council unanimously approved a Resolution introduced by Councilmembers Lynette Gibson McElhaney and Dan Kalb supporting Assembly Bill 1335 (Atkins), which was not enacted and to which SB 2 is substantially similar; and

WHEREAS, AB 1335 was endorsed by a wide range of groups, including business, labor, and nonprofit representatives and the League of California Cities, and similar endorsements are expected for SB 2; therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**: That the Oakland City Council hereby endorses SB 2 (Atkins) and urges the California State Legislature and Governor Jerry Brown to support its enactment into law.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, CAMPBELL WASHINGTON, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, GUILLÉN, KALB, KAPLAN, AND PRESIDENT REID

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California

# SB 2 - Building Homes and Jobs Act

# IN BRIEF

The Building Homes and Jobs Act establishes a permanent funding source for affordable housing through a \$75 fee on real estate transaction documents. The fee is capped at \$225 on a per parcel, per transaction basis, and exempts commercial and residential real-estate transactions.

SB 2 builds on AB 1335, which then-Assembly Speaker Atkins introduced in 2015, by adding two new allowable uses for the funding: local community plan updates and fiscal incentives for local governments to approve new housing for lowincome families.

## THE ISSUE

California has a housing affordability crisis.

- According to the Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC) roughly 36% of mortgaged homeowners and approximately 48% of all renters are spending more than one-third of their household incomes on housing.
- California continues to have the second lowest homeownership rate in the nation and the Los Angeles metropolitan area is now a majority renter region. Five of the eight lowest homeownership rates in the nation are in California metropolitan areas.
- At any given time, 134,000 Californians are homeless. California has 24% of the nation's homeless veterans and one-third of the nations' chronically homeless. The state also has the largest numbers of unaccompanied homeless children and youth, with 30% of the national total.
- For the first time, Standard and Poor's Ratings Services cited California's "Persistently high cost of housing" as contributing to a relatively weaker business climate and a credit weakness in the rating of California General Obligation bonds.
- The McKinsey Global Institute estimates that California loses \$140 billion per year in output (or 6 percent of state GDP) due to the housing shortage from lost construction investment and consumption crowded out by housing costs.

# BACKGROUND

Increasing the construction, building, and availability of affordable housing is good for the economy, the budget, job creation, and families:

- The Bay Area Council, LA Area Chamber of Commerce, LA Business Council, Orange County Business Council, and Silicon Valley Leadership Group agree that less affordable housing impedes California businesses from attracting and retaining workers.
- On average, a single homeless Californian incurs \$2,897 per month in county costs for emergency room visits and in-patient hospital stays, as well as the costs of arrests and incarceration. Roughly 79% of these costs are cut when that person has an affordable home.
- An estimated 29,000 jobs would be created annually for every \$500 million spent on affordable housing.

# THE SOLUTION

Increased and ongoing funding for affordable housing is critical to stabilize the state's housing development and construction marketplace. If developers know that there is a sustainable source of funding, they will take on the risk that comes with development — and create a reliable pipeline of well-paying construction jobs in the process.

The Building Homes and Jobs Act will utilize a pay-as-you-go approach and generate hundreds of millions of dollars annually for affordable housing. 50% of collected fees will be distributed directly to local governments to address local needs. The remainder will be allocated by the state on a competitive basis. 20% of overall funds must be allocated to affordable homeownership needs for a growing workforce and 10% of overall funds must be used to meet the affordable housing needs of farmworkers and their families. The funds generated will leverage significant additional funding through federal, local, and bank investment.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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### SUPPORT

Housing California\* California Housing Consortium\* Alliance of Californians for Community Empowerment (ACCE) California Apartment Association California Association of Realtors California Labor Federation California-Nevada Conference of Operating Engineers Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) League of California Cities Los Angeles Business Council Monterey Bay Economic Partnership Nonprofit Housing Association of Northern California San Diego and Imperial Counties Labor Council, AFL-CIO San Jose City Council State Building and Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO State Controller Betty Yee

\* denotes sponsor

#### Introduced by Senator Atkins (Coauthors: Senators Beall, Bradford, Dodd, Hertzberg, Jackson, Mitchell, Roth, Skinner, Wieckowski, and Wiener) (Coauthors: Assembly Members Bonta and Thurmond)

#### December 5, 2016

An act to add Section 27388.1 to the Government Code, and to add Chapter 2.5 (commencing with Section 50470) to Part 2 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to housing, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 2, as introduced, Atkins. Building Homes and Jobs Act.

Under existing law, there are programs providing assistance for, among other things, emergency housing, multifamily housing, farmworker housing, homeownership for very low and low-income households, and downpayment assistance for first-time homebuyers. Existing law also authorizes the issuance of bonds in specified amounts pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law. Existing law requires that proceeds from the sale of these bonds be used to finance various existing housing programs, capital outlay related to infill development, brownfield cleanup that promotes infill development, and housing-related parks.

This bill would enact the Building Homes and Jobs Act. The bill would make legislative findings and declarations relating to the need for establishing permanent, ongoing sources of funding dedicated to affordable housing development. The bill would impose a fee, except as provided, of \$75 to be paid at the time of the recording of every real estate instrument, paper, or notice required or permitted by law to be recorded, per each single transaction per single parcel of real property, not to exceed \$225. By imposing new duties on counties with respect to the imposition of the recording fee, the bill would create a state-mandated local program. The bill would require that revenues from this fee, after deduction of any actual and necessary administrative costs incurred by the county recorder, be sent quarterly to the Department of Housing and Community Development for deposit in the Building Homes and Jobs Fund, which the bill would create within the State Treasury. The bill would, upon appropriation by the Legislature, require that 20% of the moneys in the fund be expended for affordable owner-occupied workforce housing and 10% of the moneys for housing purposes related to agricultural workers and their families, and would authorize the remainder of the moneys in the fund to be expended to support affordable housing, homeownership opportunities, and other housing-related programs, as specified. The bill would impose certain auditing and reporting requirements and would establish the Building Homes and Jobs Trust Fund Governing Board that would, among other things, review and approve recommendations made by the Department of Housing and Community Development for the distribution of moneys from the fund.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would create the Secretary of Housing within state government to oversee all activities related to housing in the state.

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 no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

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

1 SECTION 1. This act shall be known as the Building Homes 2 and Jobs Act.

3 SEC. 2. (a) The Legislature finds and declares that having a healthy housing market that provides an adequate supply of homes 4 5 affordable to Californians at all income levels is critical to the 6

economic prosperity and quality of life in the state.

1 (b) The Legislature further finds and declares all of the 2 following:

3 (1) Funding approved by the state's voters in 2002 and 2006, 4 as of June 2015, has financed the construction, rehabilitation, and 5 preservation of over 14,000 shelter spaces and 245,000 affordable 6 homes. These numbers include thousands of supportive homes for 7 people experiencing homelessness. In addition, these funds have 8 helped tens of thousands of families become or remain 9 homeowners. Nearly all of the voter-approved funding for 10 affordable housing has been awarded.

(2) The requirement in the Community Redevelopment Law
that redevelopment agencies set aside 20 percent of tax increment
for affordable housing generated roughly \$1 billion per year. With
the elimination of redevelopment agencies, this funding stream
has disappeared.

(3) In 2014, the Legislature committed 10 percent of ongoing 16 17 cap-and-trade funds for affordable housing that reduces greenhouse gas emissions and dedicated \$100 million in one-time funding for 18 19 affordable multifamily and permanent supportive housing. In 20 addition, the people of California thoughtfully approved the 21 repurposing of \$600 million in already committed bond funds for 22 the creation of affordable rental and permanent supportive housing 23 for veterans through the passage of Proposition 41.

24 (4) In 2015, the Legislature approved \$2 billion in revenue 25 bonds for the construction and rehabilitation of permanent 26 supportive housing for homeless individuals with mental illness 27 through the "No Place Like Home" initiative and increased funding 28 for the CalWORKs Housing Support Program to \$47 million per 29 year. Another \$45 million was directed to Emergency Solutions 30 Grants to fund rapid rehousing, outreach, shelters, and homeless 31 prevention and \$10 million was provided to reduce homelessness among families who are part of the child welfare system. 32

(5) Despite these investments, the need for affordable housing
in the state of California greatly exceeds the available resources,
demonstrated by the Public Policy Institute of California finding
that, as of January 2016, 31.5 percent of mortgaged homeowners
and 47 percent of all renters are spending more than 35 percent of
their household incomes on housing.

39 (6) California has 12 percent of the United States population,

40 but 20 percent of its homeless population. California has the highest

1 percentage of unsheltered homeless in the nation, with 64 percent

2 of homeless Californians not having shelter. California has 24
 3 percent of the nation's homeless veterans population and one-third

4 of the nation's chronically homeless population. California also

5 has the largest populations of unaccompanied homeless children

6 and youth, with 28 percent of the national total.

7 (7) Furthermore, four of the top 10 metropolitan areas in the
8 country with the highest rate of homelessness are in the following
9 metropolitan areas in California: San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara,
10 Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, Fresno, and Stockton.

11 (8) California continues to have the second lowest 12 homeownership rate in the nation, and the Los Angeles 13 metropolitan area is now a majority renter area. In fact, five of the 14 eight lowest homeownership rates are in metropolitan areas in 15 California.

(9) Los Angeles and Orange Counties have been identified as
the epicenter of overcrowded housing, and numerous studies have
shown that children in crowded homes have poorer health, worse
scores on mathematics and reading tests, and higher rates of
depression and behavioral problems—even when poverty is taken
into account.

(10) Millions of Californians are affected by the state's chronic
housing shortage, including seniors, veterans, people experiencing
chronic homelessness, working families, people with mental,
physical, or developmental disabilities, agricultural workers, people
exiting jails, prisons, and other state institutions, survivors of
domestic violence, and former foster and transition-aged youth.

(11) Eight of the top 10 hardest hit cities by the foreclosure
crisis in the nation were in California. They include the Cities of
Stockton, Modesto, Vallejo, Riverside, San Bernardino, Merced,
Bakersfield, and Sacramento.

(12) California's workforce continues to experience longer
commute times as persons in the workforce seek affordable housing
outside the areas in which they work. If California is unable to
support the construction of affordable housing in these areas,
congestion problems will strain the state's transportation system
and exacerbate greenhouse gas emissions.

38 (13) Many economists agree that the state's higher than average
 39 unemployment rate is due in large part to massive shrinkage in the
 40 construction industry from 2005 to 2009, including losses of nearly

700,000 construction-related jobs, a 60-percent decline in
 construction spending, and an 83-percent reduction in residential
 permits. Restoration of a healthy construction sector will
 significantly reduce the state's unemployment rate.

5 (14) The lack of sufficient housing impedes economic growth
6 and development by making it difficult for California employers
7 to attract and retain employees.

8 (15) To keep pace with continuing demand, the state should 9 identify and establish a permanent, ongoing source or sources of funding dedicated to affordable housing development. Without a 10 11 reliable source of funding for housing affordable to the state's 12 workforce and most vulnerable residents, the state and its local 13 and private housing development partners will not be able to 14 continue increasing the supply of housing after existing housing 15 bond resources are depleted.

(16) The investment will leverage billions of dollars in private
investment, lessen demands on law enforcement and dwindling
health care resources as fewer people are forced to live on the
streets or in dangerous substandard buildings, and increase
businesses' ability to attract and retain skilled workers.

(17) In order to promote housing and homeownership opportunities, the recording fee imposed by this act shall not be applied to any recording made in connection with a sale of real property. Purchasing a home is likely the largest purchase made by Californians, and it is the intent of this act to not increase transaction costs associated with these transfers.

27 SEC. 3. Section 27388.1 is added to the Government Code, to 28 read:

29 27388.1. (a) (1) Commencing January 1, 2018, and except as provided in paragraph (2), in addition to any other recording fees 30 31 specified in this code, a fee of seventy-five dollars (\$75) shall be paid at the time of recording of every real estate instrument, paper, 32 33 or notice required or permitted by law to be recorded, except those expressly exempted from payment of recording fees, per each 34 single transaction per parcel of real property. The fee imposed by 35 36 this section shall not exceed two hundred twenty-five dollars 37 (\$225). "Real estate instrument, paper, or notice" means a 38 document relating to real property, including, but not limited to, 39 the following: deed, grant deed, trustee's deed, deed of trust, 40 reconveyance, quit claim deed, fictitious deed of trust, assignment

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1 of deed of trust, request for notice of default, abstract of judgment, subordination agreement, declaration of homestead, abandonment 2 3 of homestead, notice of default, release or discharge, easement, 4 notice of trustee sale, notice of completion, UCC financing 5 statement, mechanic's lien, maps, and covenants, conditions, and 6 restrictions. 7 (2) The fee described in paragraph (1) shall not be imposed on 8 any real estate instrument, paper, or notice recorded in connection with a transfer subject to the imposition of a documentary transfer 9 10 tax as defined in Section 11911 of the Revenue and Taxation Code or on any real estate instrument, paper, or notice recorded in 11 12 connection with a transfer of real property that is a residential 13 dwelling to an owner-occupier. (b) The fees, after deduction of any actual and necessary 14 15 administrative costs incurred by the county recorder in carrying out this section, shall be remitted quarterly, on or before the last 16 17 day of the month next succeeding each calendar quarterly period, to the Department of Housing and Community Development for 18 19 deposit in the California Homes and Jobs Trust Fund established 20 by Section 50470 of the Health and Safety Code, to be expended for the purposes set forth in that section. In addition, the county 21 shall pay to the Department of Housing and Community 22 23 Development interest, at the legal rate, on any funds not paid to 24 the Controller before the last day of the month next succeeding 25 each quarterly period.

SEC. 4. Chapter 2.5 (commencing with Section 50470) is added
to Part 2 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

#### Chapter 2.5. Building Homes and Jobs Act

#### Article 1. General Provisions

50470. (a) (1) There is hereby created in the State Treasury
the Building Homes and Jobs Trust Fund. All interest or other
increments resulting from the investment of moneys in the fund
shall be deposited in the fund, notwithstanding Section 16305.7
of the Government Code.

38 (2) Moneys in the Building Homes and Jobs Trust Fund shall
39 not be subject to transfer to any other fund pursuant to any
40 provision of Part 2 (commencing with Section 16300) of Division

4 of Title 2 of the Government Code, except to the Surplus Money
 Investment Fund. Upon appropriation by the Legislature:

3 (A) Twenty percent of moneys in the fund shall be expended 4 for affordable owner-occupied workforce housing.

5 (B) Ten percent of the moneys in the fund shall be expended to 6 address affordable homeownership and rental housing opportunities 7 for agricultural workers and their families.

8 (C) The remainder of the moneys in the fund may be expended 9 for the following purposes:

10 (i) The development, acquisition, rehabilitation, and preservation

of rental housing that is affordable to extremely low, very low,
low-, and moderate-income households, including necessary
operating subsidies.

(ii) Affordable rental and ownership housing that meets the
needs of a growing workforce earning up to 120 percent of area
median income.

(iii) Matching portions of funds placed into local or regionalhousing trust funds.

(iv) Matching portions of funds available through the Low and
Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund pursuant to subdivision (d)
of Section 34176 of the Health and Safety Code.

(v) Capitalized reserves for services connected to the creation
of new permanent supportive housing, including, but not limited
to, developments funded through the Veterans Housing and
Homelessness Prevention Program.

26 (vi) Emergency shelters, transitional housing, and rapid 27 rehousing.

(vii) Accessibility modifications.

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(viii) Efforts to acquire and rehabilitate foreclosed or vacanthomes.

(ix) Homeownership opportunities, including, but not limitedto, down payment assistance.

(x) Grants to local and regional agencies to assist in the
development and updating of planning documents and zoning
ordinances in order to accelerate housing production, including,
but not limited to, General Plans, community plans, specific plans,
sustainable communities strategies, and local coastal programs.

(xi) Fiscal incentives or matching funds to local agencies that
approve new housing for extremely low, very low, low-, and
moderate-income households.

1 (3) A state or local entity that receives an appropriation or 2 allocation pursuant to this chapter shall use no more than 5 percent 3 of that appropriation or allocation for costs related to the 4 administration of the housing program for which the appropriation 5 or allocation was made.

6 (b) Both of the following shall be paid and deposited in the 7 fund:

8 (1) Any moneys appropriated and made available by the 9 Legislature for purposes of the fund.

10 (2) Any other moneys that may be made available to the 11 department for the purposes of the fund from any other source or 12 sources.

(c) If a local government does not expend the moneys allocated
to it, pursuant to this chapter, within five years of that allocation,
those moneys shall revert to, and be paid and deposited in, the
fund.

50470.5. For purposes of this chapter:

18 (a) "Department" means the Department of Housing and19 Community Development.

(b) "Governing Board" means the Building Homes and JobsTrust Fund Governing Board.

50470.7. (a) The Building Homes and Jobs Trust Fund 22 23 Governing Board is hereby established. The governing board shall 24 include one representative from the department, one representative 25 from the California Housing Finance Agency, and one 26 representative from the Office of the Treasurer. The governing board shall consist also include no fewer than two real estate 27 28 licensees, one from northern California and one from southern 29 California, each with not less than 10 years of real estate experience and membership in a real estate trade organization with not less 30 31 than 20,000 licensees. The governing board shall include a local government official from northern and southern California, and a 32 33 representative from the northern and southern California home 34 building industry, all of whom shall be appointed by the Governor. (b) (1) The governing board also shall include six public 35 36 members. Two of the public members must be representative of 37 nonprofit affordable housing development, one appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and one appointed by the Senate Rules 38 Committee. Two of the public members must be representative of 39 40 for-profit affordable housing development, one appointed by the

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Speaker of the Assembly and one appointed by the Senate Rules 1

2 Committee. The Speaker of the Assembly and the Senate Rules 3

Committee shall each appoint one additional public member who 4

shall be representative of, or have experience in, one or more of

5 the following areas:

6 (A) Private sector lending.

(B) For-profit affordable housing development. 7

8 (C) Nonprofit affordable housing development.

9 (D) Working with special needs populations, including persons

10 experiencing homelessness.

11 (E) Architecture.

(F) Housing development consultation. 12

13 (G) Academia related to housing issues.

14 (2) Overall public membership shall contribute to a balance among geographic areas and between rural and urban interests. 15

16 50471. (a) In order to maximize efficiency and address 1.7comprehensive needs, the department, in consultation with the 18 California Housing Finance Agency, the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee, and the California Debt Limit Allocation 19 20 Committee, shall develop and submit to the Legislature, at the time 21 of the Department of Finance's adjustments to the proposed 22 2018–19 fiscal year budget pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 23 13308 of the Government Code, the Building Homes and Jobs Investment Strategy. Notwithstanding Section 10231.5 of the 24 25 Government Code, commencing with the 2023-24 fiscal year, and 26 every five years thereafter, concurrent with the release of the Governor's proposed budget, the department shall update the 27 28 investment strategy and submit it to the Legislature. The governing board shall review and advise the department regarding the 29 30 investment strategy prior to its submission to the Legislature. The 31 investment strategy shall do all of the following:

(1) Identify the statewide needs, goals, objectives, and outcomes 32 33 for housing for a five-year time period. Goals should include targets 34 of the total number for affordable homes created and preserved 35 with the funds.

36 (2) Meet the following minimum objectives:

37 (A) Encourage economic development and job creation by 38 helping to meet the housing needs of a growing workforce earning 39 up to 120 percent of area median income.

1 (B) Identify opportunities for coordination among state 2 departments and agencies to achieve greater efficiencies, increase 3 the amount of federal investment in production, services, and 4 operating costs of housing, and promote energy efficiency in 5 housing produced.

6 (C) Incentivize the use and coordination of nontraditional 7 funding sources including philanthropic funds, local realignment 8 funds, nonhousing tax increment, the federal Patient Protection 9 and Affordable Care Act, and other resources.

(D) Incentivize innovative approaches that produce cost savings
to local and state services by reducing the instability of housing
for frequent, high-cost users of hospitals, jails, detoxification
facilities, psychiatric hospitals, and emergency shelters.

(3) Provide for a geographically balanced distribution of funds,
including a 50 percent direct allocation of funds to local
governments.

(4) In order to receive an allocation a local government shall:

(A) Submit a plan to the department detailing how allocated
funds will be used by the local government in manner consistent
with paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 50470.

(B) Have a compliant housing element with the state, submit
annual reports pursuant to Section 65400 of the Government Code,
and submit an annual report to the department that provides
ongoing tracking of the uses and expenditures of any allocated
funds.

26 (C) Emphasize investments that serve households that are at or27 below 60 percent of area median income.

(b) Before submitting the Building Homes and Jobs Investment
Strategy to the Legislature, the department shall hold at least four
public workshops in different regions of the state to further inform
the development of the investment strategy.

(c) Expenditure requests contained in the Governor's proposed
budget shall be consistent with the Building Homes and Jobs
Investment Strategy developed and submitted pursuant to this part.
Moneys in the Building Homes and Jobs Trust Fund shall be
appropriated through the annual Budget Act.

(d) The Building Homes and Jobs Investment Strategy and
updates required by this section shall be submitted pursuant to
Section 9795 of the Government Code.

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(e) The governing board shall have the authority to review and
 approve department recommendations for all funds distributed
 from the Building Homes and Jobs Trust Fund.

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#### Article 2. Audits and Reporting

50475. The California State Auditor's Office shall conduct
periodic audits to ensure that the annual allocation to individual
programs is awarded by the department in a timely fashion
consistent with the requirements of this chapter. The first audit
shall be conducted no later than 24 months from the effective date
of this section.

13 50476. (a) In its annual report to the Legislature pursuant to 14 Section 50408, the department shall report how funds that were 15 made available pursuant to this chapter and allocated in the prior 16 year were expended, including efforts to promote a geographically 17 balanced distribution of funds. The report shall also assess the 18 impact of the investment on job creation and the economy. With 19 respect to any awards made specifically to house or support persons 20 who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, the report shall include an analysis of the effectiveness of the funding in allowing 21 22 these households to retain permanent housing. The department 23 shall make the report available to the public on its Internet Web 24 site.

(b) (1) In the report, the department shall make a determination
of whether any of the moneys derived from fees collected pursuant
to Section 27388.1 of the Government Code are being allocated
by the state for any purpose not authorized by Section 50470 and
shall share the information with the county recorders.

30 (2) If the department determines that any moneys derived from 31 fees collected pursuant to Section 27388.1 of the Government Code are being allocated by the state for a purpose not authorized 32 33 by Section 50470, the county recorders shall, upon notice of the 34 determination, immediately cease collection of the fees imposed 35 by Section 27388.1 of the Government Code, and shall resume 36 collection of those fees only upon notice that the moneys derived 37 from fees collected pursuant to Section 23788.1 of the Government 38 Code are being allocated by the state only for a purpose authorized 39 by Section 50470.

1 SEC. 5. (a) The Legislature finds and declares that the housing 2 market plays a critical role in the functioning of the California 3 economy.

4 (b) The Legislature further finds and declares all of the 5 following:

6 (1) The need for housing is something every Californian 7 encounters.

8 (2) Adequate and stable housing is a crucial component of all9 Californians' quality of life.

(3) The expenditure for housing is one of the largest expensesall Californians undertake in their day-to-day lives.

(4) Housing and housing-related activities are of such significant
importance to the state that it warrants a clear and unified voice
in state government.

(c) It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that
would create a Secretary of Housing within state government to
oversee all activities related to housing in the state. In creating this
position, it is the intent of the Legislature that all professional
entities that play a role in the housing market would be authorized
to be incorporated in order to have a clearer and more unified
approach to housing in California.

SEC. 6. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution because a local agency or school district has the authority to levy service charges, fees, or assessments sufficient to pay for the program or level of service mandated by this act, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code.

SEC. 7. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within
the meaning of Article IV of the California Constitution and shall
go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:
In order to provide affordable housing opportunities at the earliest
possible time, it is necessary for this act to take effect immediately.

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