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Agenda

April 9, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 1021 O Street, Room 1200

AB 100 Gabriel Budget Acts of 2023 and 2024

SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW

Senator Scott Wiener, Chair 2025 - 2026 Regular

Bill No: AB 100 Hearing Date: April 9, 2025

Author: Gabriel

Version: April 5, 2025 Amended

Urgency: No **Fiscal:** Yes

Consultant: Jessica Uzarski

Subject: Budget Acts of 2023 and 2024

Background: This bill is a Budget Bill Junior associated with the Budget Acts of 2023-24 and 2024-25. This bill makes technical and substantive changes to the Budget Acts.

Proposed Law: This bill makes changes to the Budget Acts of 2023-24 and 2024-25. Specifically, this bill:

- Authorizes increased General Fund expenditure authority of \$2.8 billion for the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to support the General Fund deficiency in the Medi-Cal program for 2024-25 identified in the Governor's January budget. Also authorizes increased federal fund expenditure authority of \$8.3 billion to account for federal matching funds for the same purpose.
- 2) Provides authority to the Department of Finance to utilize funding authorized in the First Extraordinary Session for the Eaton and Palisades fires in Los Angeles County to offset property tax revenue losses of specified local governments from 2024-25 and 2025-26 fiscal years, similar to prior property tax backfills after major natural disasters.
- 3) Authorizes the Department of Finance to augment the CalOES budget for unmet response and recovery needs resulting from damage caused by the Eaton and Palisades fires from funds authorized during the First Extraordinary Session, provided that this funding may not duplicate or replace benefits available or received through existing assistance programs and that any reimbursements—for example, from the federal government—shall be deposited into the General Fund.
- 4) Authorizes expenditure authority from the Vision Services Children's Health Insurance Program Health Services Initiative (CHIP-HSI) Fund of \$2.6 million in 2024-25 to support coverage of vision services to low-income children through a mobile optometric office, pursuant to the requirements of SB 502 (Allen), Chapter 487, Statutes of 2023. Resources in the Vision Services CHIP-HSI funds are derived from non-General Fund sources including gifts, donations, or grants of funds from private or public sources.
- 5) Reappropriates federal fund expenditure authority of up to \$57.5 million, available until September 2025, to continue support for community mental health services provided through the federal Mental Health Block Grant.

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6) Authorizes the Department of Finance to approve expenditures up to \$2 million General Fund, in addition to the unexpended balance available from prior years' appropriations, in the Foster Family Home and Small Family Home Insurance Fund. This will cover costs associated with increased claims paid on behalf of foster family homes, small family homes, resource families, and tribally approved homes. Requires the Department of Finance to notify the Joint Legislative Budget Committee within 10 working days of any approved adjustment.

- 7) Extends the encumbrance and liquidation deadlines for \$34.9 million from the Air Quality Improvement Fund for the State Air Resources Board, to align with spending timelines for CARB's other zero-emission vehicle incentive programs.
- 8) Exempts \$2 million General Fund appropriated to the State Air Resources Board for the Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emission Reductions Program from specific provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act.
- 9) Provides an additional \$17 million (for a total of \$19.8 million) from the Enhanced Fleet Modernization Subaccount to the State Air Resources Board for districts participating in the Clean Cars 4 All program.
- 10)Provides \$7.65 million in reimbursement authority and includes reporting requirements for the Office of Emergency Services to support an operational observer from February 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026 to monitor the wildfire mitigation efforts of covered utilities.
- 11)Includes \$20 million General Fund in 2024-25 for the California Nonprofit Security Grant Program at the Office of Emergency Services, to account for funds that were not encumbered in the 2023-24 fiscal year.
- 12) Extends the encumbrance period and the final report due date for \$16 million in 2023-24 and \$17.25 million in 2024-25 for the Missing and Murdered Indigenous People Grant at the Board of State and Community Corrections, to align timelines across multiple allocations and cohorts.
- 13) Appropriates \$1 million Proposition 98 General Fund for the County Fiscal Crisis Management and Assistance Team for providing technical assistance to local educational agencies impacted by fires.
- 14)Increases the expenditure authority of the Teacher Credentials Fund by \$250,000 for costs related to legal fees by the Office of the Attorney General and the Office of Administrative Hearings.
- 15) Provides authority for the State Controller's Office to use funds from the Senior Citizens and Disabled Citizens Property Tax Postponement Fund to fully fund remaining approved program applications related to manufactured/mobile homes in the 2024-25 fiscal year.
- 16) From the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Fund (Proposition 4), appropriates a total of \$181.11 million for purposes of wildfire prevention and resilience, including improving local fire prevention

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capacity, improving forest health and resilience, and reducing the risk of wildfire spreading into populated areas from wildlands, as follows:

- a. \$30.9 million to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 91520(h);
- b. \$23.52 million to the California Tahoe Conservancy (PRC Section 91520(i));
- c. \$31.35 million to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (PRC Section 91520(j);
- d. \$30.9 million to the State Coastal Conservancy (PRC Section 91520(k);
- e. \$30.9 million to the San Gabriel and Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (PRC Section 91520(I);
- f. \$23.52 million to the San Diego River Conservancy (PRC Section 91520(m); and,
- g. \$10 million for purposes of funding training center infrastructure for a fire resiliency center for the Karuk Tribe pursuant to PRC Section 91520(e).

This bill exempts amendments to existing program guidelines and criteria needed to effectuate or implement the specific appropriations above from the Administrative Procedures Act. These appropriations exhaust the capital outlay components of these particular conservancies' allocations in Proposition 4, Chapter 3, Wildfire and Forest Resilience.

17) Makes a variety of other technical changes.

Fiscal Effect: This bill increases expenditure authority in the 2024-25 Budget Act by approximately \$11 billion of which approximately \$2.8 billion is General Fund.

Support: None on File

Opposed: None on File