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Agenda

February 17, 2026

10:30 a.m. – 1021 O Street, Room 1200

<u>BILL</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
AB 107	Gabriel	Budget Acts of 2023, 2024, 2025
AB 117	Committee on Budget	Bay Area Transit Assistance

SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW

Senator John Laird, Chair

2025 - 2026 Regular

Bill No: AB 107 **Hearing Date:** February 17, 2026
Author: Gabriel
Version: February 13, 2026 As amended
Urgency: No **Fiscal:** No
Consultant: Elisa Wynne

Subject: Budget Acts of 2023, 2024, and 2025

Summary: This bill is a Budget Bill Junior associated with the Budget Acts of 2023-24, 2024-25, and 2025-26 This bill makes technical and substantive changes to the Budget Acts.

Proposed Law: Specifically, this bill:

- 1) Amends Federal Fund appropriations to reflect updated federal fund awards, including:
 - a. \$1 million authority increase for Exposition Park, to expand the Park's camera and CCTV system in high-traffic and high-risk areas, including park perimeters, parking structures, pedestrian corridors, and public gathering spaces.
 - b. \$485,000 authority increase Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act for the Department of Conservation Geologic Energy Management Division, for various orphan oil and gas well plugging and abandoning activities to help communities eliminate dangerous environmental conditions and pollution caused by legacy development.
 - c. \$14 million new federal funds authority for CalFire and a re-authorization of remaining federal fund balances from prior years for use in the Urban Forestry Program.
- 2) Amends a variety of appropriations, including correcting errors and scheduling, as follows:
 - a. \$6 million in funding for the Bureau for Descendants of American Slavery within the Civil Rights Department.
 - b. \$20 million in fund to promote California travel and tourism within the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development.
 - c. \$750,000 for a grant program for LGBTQ+ archives within the State Library.

- d. \$20 million in Proposition 4 funds for public access at Hollister Ranch within the State Lands Commission.
 - e. \$2 million for the City of Petaluma River Foundation within the State Coastal Conservancy.
- 3) Authorizes the California Tahoe Conservancy to utilize a portion of Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clear Air Bond Act of 2024 (Proposition 4) funding appropriated in the 2025 Budget Act for technical assistance to disadvantaged or severely disadvantaged communities or vulnerable populations.
 - 4) Specifies that of the \$39 million provided to CalFire to transition firefighter positions from seasonal to permanent, \$5.98 million shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure for deferred maintenance, special repairs, or the purchase of vehicles, automatic vehicle locators, and mobile radios until June 30, 2029.
 - 5) Corrects funding allocation of \$2.5 million Proposition 4 for a CalFire training center from local assistance to department support.
 - 6) Exempts the specific appropriations of Proposition 4 funds in the 2025 Budget Act from the Administrative Procedures Act.
 - 7) Shifts funding for the Transport Refrigeration Unit regulatory program workload from the Certification and Compliance Fund to the Air Pollution Control Fund.
 - 8) Specifies \$40 million in Greenhouse Gas Reduction funds for zero emission vehicle infrastructure can be used for refueling and charging stations as well as for medium- and heavy-duty vehicles.
 - 9) Extends encumbrance periods for four different allocations in the 2024 and 2025 budget act to allow the funds to be fully expended as intended.
 - 10) Corrects seven numerical, wording or citation errors.
 - 11) Makes a variety of other technical changes.

Fiscal Effect: This bill allows the state to begin spending \$15.485 million in new federal grant funds in the 2025-26 fiscal year. The remaining provisions of the bill are cost neutral. This bill has no State General Fund impact.

Support: None on File

Opposed: None on File

SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW

Senator John Laird, Chair

2025 - 2026 Regular

Bill No: AB 117 **Hearing Date:** February 17, 2026
Author: Committee on Budget
Version: February 13, 2026 As amended
Urgency: No **Fiscal:** No
Consultant: Eunice Roh

Subject: Bay Area Transit Assistance

Summary: This bill is the Bay Area Transit Assistance trailer bill. It contains provisions necessary to implement the Budget Act of 2026.

Proposed Law: This bill:

- 1) Authorizes the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) to loan \$590 million to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) from the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) for projects within the region.
- 2) Authorizes MTC to use the proceeds of the loan to offer loans to specified transit entities for public transit operating purposes.
- 3) Requires MTC to repay the loan in quarterly installments to CalSTA over a period of twelve years, with interest-only payments during the first two years. The rate of interest applied to a loan made pursuant to this section shall be the same rate earned on investments in the Surplus Money Investment Fund during the loan repayment period.
- 4) Requires MTC to secure repayment of any loan issued by CalSTA by pledging the State Transit Assistance Program revenues received by the specified transit agencies.
- 5) Requires the California Transportation Commission to monitor and report to CalSTA on the unallocated and unexpended balances of the region's project awards for the TIRCP.
- 6) Authorizes the MTC, in coordination with CalSTA, to prioritize the use of existing sources of funds allocated by the state to the region so that projects are not materially impacted with regard to scope, schedule, and eligibility for non-state funding.

Fiscal Effect: This bill authorizes a loan of up to \$590 million from existing transit funds.

Support: None on File

Opposed: None on File

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