

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: June 21, 2011
POSITION: Neutral

BILL NUMBER: AB 566
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BILL SUMMARY: Resources: Surface Mining

The Surface Mining and Reclamation Act requires the State Geologist to classify areas, when classification has been requested by petition to the State Mining and Geology Board, as areas that contain mineral deposits and are of regional or statewide significance.

This bill would require the State Mining and Geology Board to transmit mineral resource information on the classified areas to a lead agency or a metropolitan planning organization within 30 days of receiving a request for the information. The bill would make additional findings that the state's mineral resources are vital, finite, and important natural resources.

FISCAL SUMMARY

The bill would have no fiscal impact to the state.

COMMENTS

The Department of Finance is neutral on the bill. The bill would have no fiscal impact to the state and concerns a policy matter on which we are neutral.

We note the State Mining and Geology Board already submits the mineral resource information in its daily course of operations.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Amendments to this bill since our analysis of the March 22, 2011 version are minor and do not alter our position.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)						Fund Code
		LA	PROP		FC		FC	
	RV	98	FC	2010-2011	FC	2011-2012	FC	2012-2013
3480/Conservation	SO	No		----- No/Minor Fiscal Impact -----				0035
<u>Fund Code</u>	<u>Title</u>							
0035	Surface Mining and Reclamation Account							

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