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TO: Honorable John Carona, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation & Homeland Security

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IN RE: HB1831 by Corte (Relating to emergency management and disaster recovery.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code, Chapter 418 requiring the Governor's Division of Emergency Management (GDEM) to develop an annex to the state emergency management plan that addresses initial response planning for providing essential population support supplies, equipment, and services during the first 120 hours immediately following a disaster. The bill states GDEM must also include in the annex for state emergency plan provisions to provide emergency power to restore or continue the operation of critical water or waste water facilities following a disaster.

The bill would add Chapter 397 to the Finance Code to require a mortgage servicer holding money for more than 10 business days that is received from an insurance provider for repairs to a mortgagee's property following a disaster declared under Section 418.014 of the Government Code to pay interest to the mortgagee.

The bill would take effect on September 1, 2009.

The Commission on Environmental Quality and the Department of Public Safety anticipate no significant fiscal impact to their agencies.

Local Government Impact

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 405 Department of Public Safety, 582 Commission on Environmental Quality, 301

Office of the Governor, 477 Commission on State Emergency Communications

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