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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COMMITTEE: Intergovernmental Relations

TIME & DATE: 10:00 AM, Thursday, January 12, 2012

PLACE: E1.028 (Hearing Room)

CHAIR: Senator Royce West

The Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations will meet on Thursday, January 12, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Capitol Extension Room E1.028. The Committee will hear invited testimony only on the following Select Interim Charges:

- Analyze ways to better coordinate existing federal, state, and local housing resources to increase access to affordable housing following a disaster that caused the loss of homes. Review best practices for fulfilling emergency short-term housing needs and developing long-term housing opportunities using existing tools, such as land trusts, land banks, and other available incentives.
- Review housing and development codes, and guidelines for structures in areas prone to natural disasters, and make recommendations on how these structures can be 'hardened' to avoid loss. In addition, make recommendations to educate and enable private landowners to use best practices in fire risk mitigation, fuel reduction, and urban forest management to reduce exposure to wildland fires.