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An act to amend Section 2795 of the Public Resources Code, relating to surface mining.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 2795 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

2795. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, moneys from mining activities on federal lands disbursed by the United States each fiscal year to this state pursuant to Section 35 of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act, as amended (30 U.S.C. Sec. 191) shall be deposited in the Surface Mining and Reclamation Account in the General Fund, which account is hereby created, in an amount equal to the appropriation for this chapter contained in the annual Budget Act for that fiscal-year year, plus any statewide general administrative costs assessed to the account for that fiscal year, and may be expended, upon that appropriation by the Legislature, for the purposes of this chapter.

(b) Proposed expenditures from the account shall be included in a separate item in the Budget Act for each fiscal year for consideration by the Legislature. Each appropriation from the account shall be subject to all of the limitations contained in the Budget Act and to all other fiscal procedures prescribed by law with respect to the expenditure of state funds.



LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Bill No.
as introduced, _____.
General Subject: Surface Mining and Reclamation Account: statewide general
administrative costs.

The Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 governs surface mining operations and the reclamation of mined lands. Existing law requires moneys from mining activities on federal lands disbursed by the United States each fiscal year to this state to be deposited in the Surface Mining and Reclamation Account in the General Fund in an amount equal to the appropriation for the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 contained in the annual Budget Act for that fiscal year, which is authorized to be expended, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for the purposes of that act.

This bill would require the amount to be deposited into the Surface Mining and Reclamation Account to include any statewide general administrative costs assessed to the account for that fiscal year.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

