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establish and maintain accounting procedures providing accurate records of all revenues from the trust lands and trust assets and of all expenditures of those revenues. The bill would also require that the money only be expended for those uses and purposes consistent with the public trust for commerce, navigation, and fisheries and the statutory grant. The bill would also require, commencing October 1, 1986, each grantee to annually file on or before October 1 with the commission a detailed statement of all revenues and expenditures relating to those lands, as specified. By requiring local agencies and school districts to establish those trust funds and to file the annual statement, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

(2) Existing law authorizes the City of Los Angeles to exchange certain tidelands and submerged lands granted in trust for commerce, navigation, and fishing, under certain conditions, if the commission finds that the lands to be acquired are of equal or greater value than the lands for which they are to be exchanged and the commission approves the exchange.

This bill would expand the lands which may be exchanged by the city under those provisions.

(3) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

(4) The bill would provide that, notwithstanding Section 2231.5 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, this bill does not contain a repealer, as required by that section, therefore, the provisions of the bill would remain in effect unless and until they are amended or repealed by a later enacted bill.

(5) The bill would take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Ch. 924 (SB 1458) Roberti. Abandoned wells methane and other hazardous gas accumulations.

Existing law requires the State Oil and Gas Supervisor to carry out duties relating to hazardous oil and gas wells and other oil and gas activities.

This bill would require the supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies, to conduct a study of abandoned oil and gas wells located in areas with substantial potential for accumulation of methane and other hazardous gas in order to determine the location, the extent of methane gas and other hazardous gas accumulations, and potential hazards from the wells. The bill would require the supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies, to develop a strategy for extracting methane gas and other hazardous gas accumulations from the wells in high-risk areas identified by the supervisor and for the management of those gases from the wells in high-risk areas to prevent future accumulations of those gases.

The bill would require the supervisor to report to the Legislature on or before July 1, 1986, on the bill.

The bill would appropriate \$350,000 from the General Fund to the supervisor for carrying out the purposes of the bill.

The bill would take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Ch. 925 (SB 1337) Robbins. Medi-Cal dental services.

Existing law requires the State Director of Health Services to establish the rates of reimbursement for health care services provided to beneficiaries under the Medi-Cal program.

This bill would require the director to study and submit a report, as specified, on the availability of dental health resources and methods of reducing the incidence of dental disease for persons who are developmentally disabled and who are clients of regional centers serving persons who have developmental disabilities.

This bill would require the director to contract with the University of California, a state college or university, or a private dental school for one 3-year pilot project to provide necessary direct preventive dental care.

This bill would require the director to report to the Legislature by March 15, 1989, on the results of the pilot project's activity and make recommendations for change in the Medi-Cal program.

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SENATE BILL**No. 1458****Introduced by Senator Roberti****March 28, 1985**

An act to add Article 4.1 (commencing with Section 3240) to Chapter 1 of Division 3 of the Public Resources Code, relating to abandoned wells, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1458, as introduced, Roberti. Abandoned wells: methane gas accumulations: City of Los Angeles.

(1) Existing law requires the State Oil and Gas Supervisor to carry out duties relating to hazardous oil and gas wells and other oil and gas activities.

This bill would require the supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies to conduct a study of all abandoned oil and gas wells located in the City of Los Angeles in order to determine the location and extent of methane gas accumulations from the wells. The bill would require the supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies, to develop a strategy for extracting methane gas accumulations from the wells and for management of methane gas from the wells to prevent future methane gas accumulations.

(2) The bill would take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Article 4.1 (commencing with Section
- 2 3240) is added to Chapter 1 of Division 3 of the Public
- 3 Resources Code, to read:

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Article 4.1. Abandoned Wells

3240. The supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies, shall conduct a study of all abandoned oil and gas wells located in the City of Los Angeles in order to determine the location and extent of methane gas accumulations from the abandoned wells.

3241. The supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies, shall develop a strategy for extracting existing accumulations of methane gas from abandoned oil and gas wells in the City of Los Angeles in order to protect the health and safety of the public. The strategy shall also provide plans for the management of methane gas from old wells in the city where no accumulations are discovered in order to prevent future accumulations of methane gas.

SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

Recent methane gas explosions in the City of Los Angeles have threatened the public health and safety and it is necessary that the provisions of this act take effect at the earliest possible opportunity.

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AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 13, 1985

SENATE BILL**No. 1458**

Introduced by Senator Roberti

March 28, 1985

An act to add Article 4.1 (commencing with Section 3240) to Chapter 1 of Division 3 of the Public Resources Code, relating to abandoned wells, and declaring the urgency thereof to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1458, as amended, Roberti. Abandoned wells: methane and other hazardous gas accumulations : ~~City of Los Angeles~~.

(H) Existing law requires the State Oil and Gas Supervisor to carry out duties relating to hazardous oil and gas wells and other oil and gas activities.

This bill would require the supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies, to conduct a study of all abandoned oil and gas wells located in the ~~City of Los Angeles~~ areas with substantial potential for accumulation of methane and other hazardous gas in order to determine the location and, the extent of methane gas and other hazardous gas accumulations, and potential hazards from the wells. The bill would require the supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies, to develop a strategy for extracting methane gas and other hazardous gas accumulations from the wells in high-risk areas identified by the supervisor and for the management of methane gas those gases from the wells in high-risk areas to prevent future methane gas accumulations of those gases.

The bill would require the supervisor to report to the Legislature on or before July 1, 1986, on the bill.

(H) The bill would take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

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Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Article 4.1 (commencing with Section
2 3240) is added to Chapter 1 of Division 3 of the Public
3 Resources Code, to read:

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5 Article 4.1. Abandoned Wells
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7 3240. The supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate
8 state and local agencies, shall conduct a study of all
9 abandoned oil and gas wells located in the City of Los
10 Angeles those areas of the state with substantial potential
11 for methane and other hazardous gas accumulations in
12 order to determine the location and, the extent of
13 methane gas accumulations and other hazardous gas
14 accumulations, and potential hazards from the
15 abandoned wells.

16 3241. The supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate
17 state and local agencies, shall develop a strategy for
18 extracting existing accumulations of methane gas and
19 other hazardous gas from abandoned oil and gas wells in
20 the City of Los Angeles high-risk areas identified by the
21 supervisor in order to protect the health and safety of the
22 public. The strategy shall also provide plans for the
23 management of methane gas from old wells in the city
24 and other hazardous gas from wells in high-risk areas
25 where no accumulations are discovered in order to
26 prevent future accumulations of methane gas and other
27 hazardous gas.

28 3242. The supervisor shall report the findings and
29 recommendations developed pursuant to the
30 requirements of this article to the Legislature on or
31 before July 1, 1986.

32 SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for
33 the immediate preservation of the public peace, health,
34 or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the
35 Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts

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1 constituting the necessity are:
2 Recent methane gas explosions in the City of Los
3 Angeles have threatened the public health and safety and
4 it is ~~necessary that the provisions of~~ *therefore, necessary*
5 *that* this act take effect at the earliest possible
6 opportunity.

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AMENDED IN SENATE JUNE 3, 1985

AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 13, 1985

SENATE BILL

No. 1458

Introduced by Senator Roberti

March 28, 1985

An act to add Article 4.1 (commencing with Section 3240) to Chapter 1 of Division 1 of the Public Resources Code, relating to abandoned wells, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1458, as amended, Roberti. Abandoned wells: methane and other hazardous gas accumulations.

Existing law requires the State Oil and Gas Supervisor to carry out duties relating to hazardous oil and gas wells and other oil and gas activities.

This bill would require the supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies, to conduct a study of abandoned oil and gas wells located in areas with substantial potential for accumulation of methane and other hazardous gas in order to determine the location, the extent of methane gas and other hazardous gas accumulations, and potential hazards from the wells. The bill would require the supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies, to develop a strategy for extracting methane gas and other hazardous gas accumulations from the wells in high-risk areas identified by the supervisor and for the management of those gases from the wells in high-risk areas to prevent future accumulations of those gases.

The bill would require the supervisor to report to the Legislature on or before July 1, 1986, on the bill.

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The bill would appropriate \$350,000 from the General Fund to the supervisor for carrying out the purposes of the bill.

The bill would take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: ~~no~~ yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Article 4.1 (commencing with Section
2 3240) is added to Chapter 1 of Division 3 of the Public
3 Resources Code, to read:

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5 Article 4.1. Abandoned Wells

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7 3240. The supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate
8 state and local agencies, shall conduct a study of
9 abandoned oil and gas wells located in those areas of the
10 state with substantial potential for methane and other
11 hazardous gas accumulations in order to determine the
12 location, the extent of methane gas and ~~other~~ other
13 hazardous gas accumulations, and potential hazards from
14 the abandoned wells.

15 3241. The supervisor, in cooperation with appropriate
16 state and local agencies, shall develop a strategy for
17 extracting existing accumulations of methane gas and
18 other hazardous gas from abandoned oil and gas wells in
19 high-risk areas identified by the supervisor in order to
20 protect the health and safety of the public. The strategy
21 shall also provide plans for the management of methane
22 gas and other hazardous gas from wells in high-risk areas
23 where no accumulations are discovered in order to
24 prevent future accumulations of methane gas and other
25 hazardous gas.

26 3242. The supervisor shall report the findings and
27 recommendations developed pursuant to the
28 requirements of this article to the Legislature on or
29 before July 1, 1986.

30 SEC. 2. *The sum of three hundred fifty thousand*
31 *dollars (\$350,000) is hereby appropriated from the*

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1 *General Fund to the State Oil and Gas Supervisor for*
2 *carrying out the purposes of Article 4.1 (commencing*
3 *with Section 3240) of Chapter 1 of Division 3 of the Public*
4 *Resources Code.*

5 *SEC. 3.* This act is an urgency statute necessary for
6 the immediate preservation of the public peace, health,
7 or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the
8 Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts
9 constituting the necessity are:

10 Recent methane gas explosions in the City of Los
11 Angeles have threatened the public health and safety and
12 it is, therefore, necessary that this act take effect at the
13 earliest possible opportunity.

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