

Introduced by Senator Kuehl

February 23, 2007

An act relating to land use.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 990, as introduced, Kuehl. Land use: Santa Susanna Field Laboratory.

Existing law charges the Director of Toxic Substances Control with oversight over hazardous waste control in the state.

This bill would prohibit the sale, lease, sublease or other transfer of any land presently or formerly occupied by the Santa Susanna Field Laboratory unless the Director of Toxic Substances Control certifies that the land has undergone complete remediation of chemical and radioactive contamination.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law
- 2 regarding transfers of land, no person or entity shall sell, lease,
- 3 sublease, or otherwise transfer any land presently, or formerly
- 4 occupied by the Santa Susanna Field Laboratory, except as
- 5 provided in subdivision (b).
- 6 (b) As a condition for any sale, lease, sublease, or transfer of
- 7 any land presently or formerly occupied by the Santa Susanna
- 8 Field Laboratory, the Director of Toxic Substances Control shall
- 9 certify that the land has undergone complete remediation, pursuant
- 10 to the most protective cleanup standards that have been

1 promulgated by the United States Environmental Protection
2 Agency for sites that contain chemical and radioactive
3 contamination and that are based on the most restrictive potential
4 land use for these sites.

5 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that due to the
6 unique circumstances regarding the former Santa Susanna Field
7 Laboratory, a general statute cannot be made applicable within the
8 meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution.
9 Those unique circumstances involve the necessity of ensuring that
10 the land has undergone complete remediation of any chemical or
11 radioactive contamination for the health, safety, and welfare of
12 any future occupant or occupants of the land.