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March 19, 2013

To All Interested Parties:

Chief Legislative Analyst

June Lynny

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the City Council adopted the action(s), as attached, under Council File No. 13-0002-S24, at its meeting held March 5, 2013.

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SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR

COUNCIL FILE NO. 13-0002-S24	COUNCIL DISTRICT
COUNCIL APPROVAL DATE MARCH 5, 2013	·
RE: THE CITY'S POSITION TO SUPPORT SB 135 (PADILLA) WARNING SYSTEM FOR CALIFORNIA	TO CREATE AN EARTHQUAKE EARLY
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File No. 13-0002-S24 13-0002-S25

TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Your RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS Committee

reports as follows:

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTIONS relative to the City's position to support SB 135 (Padilla) to create an earthquake early warning system for California.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Wesson – Englander - Koretz) and Resolution (LaBonge – Buscaino), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTIONS to include in the City's 2013-14 State Legislative Program SUPPORT of SB 135 (Padilla), and any similar legislation, which would create an earthquake early warning system for California.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA). The City Administrative Officer has not completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At its special meeting of February 22, 2013, the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered a CLA report, Resolution (Wesson – Englander - Koretz), and Resolution (LaBonge – Buscaino) relative to the City's position to support SB 135 (Padilla), and any similar legislation, which would create an earthquake early warning system for California. The CLA report, attached to the Council file, provides a summary of the Resolutions and additional background information.

After Committee consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council adopt the accompanying Resolutions. This matter is now forwarded to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

RULES. ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>

WESSON:

VOTE YES

LABONGE:

YES

HUIZAR:

YES

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RESOLUTIONES, ELECTIONS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, California's history has demonstrated the significant threat potential of earthquakes to cause widespread destruction and casualties; and

WHEREAS, seismologists with leading institutions such as Caltech, UC Berkeley, and the U.S. Geological Survey have collaborated to develop the framework for an early warning system for earthquakes in California; and

WHEREAS, the system would process data from seismic sensors that detect the strength and movement of earthquakes, and provide alerts to the public within a few seconds, with up to 60 seconds of advance notice before imminent ground shaking; and

WHEREAS, there are many potential benefits to having an early warning system, including automatic shutoff of gas lines, stopping transit rail lines, and providing enough time for anyone to take cover; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Alex Padilla has proposed legislation that would create a statewide early warning system for earthquakes and provide for the installation and upgrade of underground sensors; and

WHEREAS, earthquake warning systems are already in use in other countries such as Japan and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the investment required to build the system will be more than offset by the potential to save lives, property, and public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, these benefits will be realized throughout California, but particularly in the densely populated Los Angeles region which faces the threat of a major quake on the San Andreas fault:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2013-2014 State Legislative Program SUPPORT of Senator Padilla's bill, and any similar legislation, that would create an earthquake early warning system for California.

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PRESENTED BY

HERB J. WESSON, JR.

Councilmember, 10th District

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