


**REPORT OF THE
CHIEF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST**

DATE: September 4, 2018

TO: Honorable Members of the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

FROM: Sharon M. Tso 
Chief Legislative Analyst Assignment No.: 18-08-0788

SUBJECT: Resolution (Buscaino – Martinez) to SUPPORT HR 6489 (Barragan): Safe LPG Storage Act of 2018

CLA RECOMMENDATION: ADOPT Resolution (Buscaino – Martinez) to include in the City's 2017-18 Federal Legislative Program, SUPPORT for HR 6489 (Barragan), the Safe LPG Storage Act of 2018.

SUMMARY

HR 6489 (Barragan), introduced on July 24, 2018 directs the Secretary of Transportation to establish a federal grant program for the relocation of certain petroleum storage facilities.

The legislation would authorize the grant program to fund up to half the cost of relocating Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) storage facilities away from homes, schools and other sensitive locations. To be eligible for a grant under the program, an entity would have to submit an application to the Secretary of Transportation. Grant amounts awarded under the program may only be used for activities related to the relocation of a qualifying LPG storage facility. Consideration will be given to the proximity (within five miles) of the applicable qualifying LPG storage facility to populated areas, homes, and schools; and communities that are disproportionately impacted by environmental burdens. The Safe LPG Act of 2018 would provide \$500 million to implement the program.

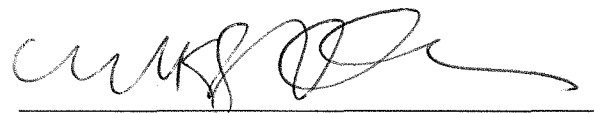
BILL STATUS

7/24/18 Introduced in House. Action by: House of Representatives
Referred to Comtt. on Transportation and Infrastructure and Comtt. on Energy and Commerce.

7/25/18 Referred to Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines and Hazardous Materials.
Action by Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

DEPARTMENTS NOTIFIED

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Attachments:

1. Resolution (Buscaino – Martinez)

RESOLUTION

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, on July 24, 2018, HR 6489 (Barragan), or the "Safe LPG Storage Act" was introduced to direct the Secretary of Transportation to establish a federal grant program for the relocation of certain petroleum storage facilities; and

WHEREAS, the legislation would authorize the grant program to fund up to half the cost of relocating Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) storage facilities away from homes, schools and other sensitive locations; and

WHEREAS, LPG facilities containing millions of gallons of highly combustible fuel may be located near schools, parks, and homes, and pose too great of a risk for accidents to occur; and

WHEREAS, the Safe LPG Act would provide \$500 million for the relocation of qualifying LPG storage facilities located within five miles of a populated area, home, or school; and

WHEREAS, the passing of this legislation could benefit the City of Los Angeles and those districts and neighborhoods that contain LPG storage facilities.

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 2017-2018 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for HR 6489 (Barragan), the Safe LPG Storage Act, which would direct the Secretary of Transportation to establish a federal grant program for the relocation of certain petroleum storage facilities.

PRESENTED BY: _____

JOE BUSCAINO
Councilmember, 15th District

SECONDED BY: _____

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