Senate Bills 50 and 330

2019 Housing Legislation



Senate Bill 50 - Weiner

More Housing Opportunity, Mobility, Equity, and Stability ("HOMES") Act of 2019

Equitable Communities Incentives

- Jobs Rich Areas
- Transit Rich Areas

Jobs Rich Areas

- Determined by State of California
- Areas with "Positive Educational and Economic Outcomes"
- Housing would enable shorter commutes or allow residents to live near a jobs rich area.

Incentives in Jobs Rich Areas

- Waive Maximum Density Limits
- Waive Some Parking Requirements
- Provide Three Land Use Incentives or Concessions

Transit Rich Areas

- One half mile from a major transit stop
- One quarter mile from a stop on a high quality bus corridor

Incentives in Transit Rich Areas

- All jobs rich incentives
- 55 foot height limit and 3.25 FAR if within ¼
 mile of major transit stop
- 45 foot height limit and 2.5 FAR if within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of major transit stop
- No parking requirements near major transit stops

Affordability Requirements

- 1-10 Units None
- 11-20 Units Pay unspecified in lieu fee
- 20+ Units Pay in lieu fee or build affordable units on site (6% to 25%)
- Or follow local inclusionary ordinance if more restrictive

Other Requirements

- CEQA
- Local Design Review, Use Permit, Impact Fees
- Labor and other laws

Sensitive Communities

- Areas defined by MTC in Bay Area then updated by HCD
- May comply through a community led process

Compliance Costs

- State determines that may be covered by service charges, fees, or assessments
- No State reimbursement

SB 330 - Skinner

The Housing Crisis Act of 2019

Housing Crisis

- Declares Crisis until January 1, 2030
- Legislation expires effective January 1, 2030

Affected Cities and Counties

- Higher than average rents
- Lower than average rental vacancy rates
- Determined by HCD

Limits on Planning and Zoning

- No reductions in height, density, floor area, etc.
- No growth limits/housing moratoria
- Retroactive to January 1, 2018

Limits on Development Review

- Vested right to standards at time of application
- No fees in excess of those in effect January 1, 2018
- No fees on affordable units
- No enforcement of existing growth caps

Exceptions

- Section 8 Housing
- Rent Controlled Units
- Ellis Act Units
- Affordable housing without relocation benefits

Rules for All Cities and Counties

- Vested right upon complete application
- Limit on Hearings
- Posting development application requirements

Substandard Buildings

- HCD to develop new rules
- Occupied substandard buildings that comply with new rules protected for 7 years

Questions?