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**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF BILLS AS INTRODUCED IN THE
SENATE AT THE FIFTY-THIRD (FOURTH EXTRA-
ORDINARY) SESSION (PREPARED BY
LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL)**

The following applies only to bills and constitutional amendments as introduced. Because of the time element no attempt has been made to digest each measure in detail. Each description purports to contain only a statement of the subject of the measure and what appears to be its principal features.

SB 1 BREED New act, Council of Defense Act

Creates California State Council of Defense. Number of members to be determined by Attorney General. Members to be appointed by, and serve at pleasure of, Attorney General. One member to be appointed from State Planning Board, one to represent cities and counties. Attorney General to be chairman of council. Executive committee is to consist of chairman of council, chairman and vice chairman of each standing committee, representative of planning board and representative of cities and counties.

Bill creates six standing committees and executive committee may create others. Council given broad general powers to make studies, recommendations, and cooperate with Council of National Defense.

Two members of Senate, appointed by President pro tempore, and three members of Assembly, appointed by Speaker, are to participate in work of council and keep Legislature informed.

Bill provides for local councils of defense and their cooperation with State council.

Transfers unexpended money appropriated to State Planning Board to study and formulate plans for participation in national defense program to executive committee of State Council of Defense.

SB 2 SLATER, QUINN and RICH Amends section 1, adds sections 2 and 2.1 Chapter 1, 1940 (2d Ex. Sess.) re restoration and repair of property damaged by storms or floods.

Excepts expenditure for investigations, estimates, budgets, and reports by Chief of Division of Water Resources from restrictions on expenditures for work or repair.

Permits Department of Public Works to do work by force account or by contract. Permits persons, corporations, political subdivisions, public districts and public agencies to contract to do work.

Provides that when Federal Government assures that matching funds will be made available, work may be done without money being actually available.

SB 3 KENNY and SHELLEY Amends section 13105, adds sections 13150-13156, inclusive, H. & S. C., re State Fire Marshal.

Adds to general powers of fire marshal, the sponsoring, and cooperating in adoption, of measures for protection against sabotage by means of arson and dissemination of information re such protection.

Authorizes fire marshal to make examinations of buildings or premises to determine causes of fire, to investigate and gather evidence as to commission of arson or other crime. Permits holding of hearings and subpoena of witnesses. Provides for turning over evidence to district attorney.

SB 4 FLETCHER New act.

Appropriates \$255,000 to be allocated by Director of Education, with approval of Director of Finance, to school districts for reconstruction, replacement and repair of buildings and facilities destroyed or damaged by earthquakes in May, 1940. To be available only if school districts provide matching funds.

SB 5 NIELSEN Adds section 395.4, amends section 395.5, Mil. & Vet. C., re State officers and employees in military or naval service.

Provides that officer or employee having permanent civil service status who has been in State service one year or more is entitled to maximum of 30 days pay while absent on account of ordered military or naval duty with armed forces.

Provides for retention of civil service rights and reinstatement of such officers and employees.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SENATE BILLS—Continued

S B 6 NIELSEN Adds section 152.5, Act 1404, the State Civil Service Act, re leaves of absence of permanent civil service employees of State

Provides for leave of absence during war, or emergency existing in preparation for national defense proclaimed by Governor, and for 90 days thereafter

S B 7 NIELSEN Amends sections 47, 108 and 109, Act 5847, the State Employees' Retirement Law, re members absent on military service

Provides that period of service with armed forces during war or emergency and 90 days thereafter counts as time of State service for purpose of death benefits and retirement but not for calculating retirement benefits. Permits but does not require continuation of employees contributions while so absent, and if contributions are made by employees State is also to contribute as if member were not absent

S B 8 SHELLEY Amends section 152, Act 1404 the State Civil Service Act, re leaves of absence of permanent civil service employees of State.

Provides for leave of absence during war, or emergency existing in preparation for national defense proclaimed by Governor, and for 90 days thereafter

S B 9 SHELLEY Amends sections 47, 108 and 109, Act 5847, the State Employees' Retirement Act, re members absent on military service

Provides that period of service with armed forces during war or national emergency and 90 days thereafter counts as time in State service for purpose of death benefits and retirement but not as to amount of retirement benefits. Permits, but does not require, employees to continue contributions during such absence in which case State is also to contribute its share

S B 10 SWING New act

Appropriates \$255,000 to be allocated by Director of Education, with approval of Director of Finance, to school districts for reconstruction, replacement, and repair of buildings and facilities damaged or destroyed by earthquakes in May, 1940. Requires districts to match from their own money amount allocated under bill

S B 11 PHILLIPS, BROWN, NIELSEN, WAGY and MIXTER Adds Div. VII, sections 1400 to 1411, inc. Mil & Vet C, re State Council of Defense

Creates council to consist of Governor and 33 members appointed by Governor with advice and consent of President pro tempore of Senate and Speaker of Assembly and subject to confirmation by Senate. In addition 2 members of Senate appointed by President pro tempore and 3 members of Assembly appointed by Speaker shall meet with and participate in work of the council and keep Legislature informed. Legislators so appointed are to appoint advisory committee of 15 non-legislative members representing industry, labor, and other elements

Executive committee of 11 members to be appointed by Governor with advice and consent of President pro tempore and Speaker. Executive committee may appoint other committees to consider specific fields

Council given general powers to consider, recommend and cooperate in defense measures

Bill provides for local councils of defense and requires cooperation of State and local agencies with State Council

Appropriates \$10,000 for expenditure under direction of executive committee

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SENATE BILLS—Continued

S B. 12 QUINN AND GARRISON New act Council of Defense Act

Creates California State Council of Defense to consist of such number of members as Governor may appoint with advice and consent of Senate. One member to be appointed from State Planning Board to represent it, one member to be appointed to represent cities and counties. Governor to be chairman of Council. Governor to appoint chairman and vice chairman of standing committees. Creates six standing committees to represent various fields such as Agriculture, Transportation, Health, etc. Permits establishment of other committees.

Two members of Senate appointed by President pro tem and three members of Assembly appointed by Speaker are to meet with and participate in work of council. Legislators to draw no pay but to receive expenses.

Executive committee consists of Governor, chairman and vice chairman of each standing committee, the Planning Board representative and representative of cities and counties.

Council given broad general powers in connection with defense measures. Authorizes establishment of local councils and cooperation by them with State Council.

Appropriates unexpended money appropriated for State Planning Board.

S B. 13 SEAWELL New act. Appropriates \$400 for expenses of Senate, Fifty-third (Fourth Extraordinary) Session of Legislature.**S B. 14 BROWN, MYHAND, POWERS, FLETCHER, GORDON, HAYS, MAYO and DEUEL** Adds Div. VII (Secs. 1400-1470), Mil. & Vet. C. to State Council of Defense.

Creates California State Council of Defense, to consist of Governor and fourteen members appointed by Governor with advice and consent of majority of legislative committee created by bill, subject to Senate confirmation.

President pro tem of Senate to appoint two members of Senate, Speaker to appoint three members of Assembly. The five and the President pro tem and the Speaker to constitute committee to advise and consent to Governor's appointments and to meet with and participate in work of council.

Legislative committee may appoint advisory committee of fifteen non-legislators to represent various fields. Members of advisory committee to receive expenses only.

Council may employ personnel and may elect from its membership an executive director at salary of not over \$3,000 per year.

Council given broad powers as to defense program, but is not to interfere with normal programs of public or private agencies unless defense element exists.

Permits establishment of local defense councils and cooperation by them with State Council.

Appropriates \$10,000 and prohibits augmentation from Emergency Fund.