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Amendment

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 239

File No. 314

Cal. No. 255

"An Act Concerning The Use Of Tobacco Settlement Funds For Biomedical Research."

1 Strike out lines 14 to 29, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "(c) (1) For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2000, and June 30, 2001,
4 annual disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund shall be
5 made as follows: [(1) First to] (A) To the General Fund in the amount
6 identified as "Transfer from Tobacco Settlement Fund" in the General
7 Fund revenue schedule adopted by the General Assembly; and [(2)
8 second] (B) to the Tobacco and Health Trust Fund in an amount equal
9 to twenty million dollars.

10 (2) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, and each fiscal year
11 thereafter, annual disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund
12 shall be made as follows: (A) To the General Fund in the amount
13 identified as "Transfer from Tobacco Settlement Fund" in the General
14 Fund revenue schedule adopted by the General Assembly; (B) to the
15 Tobacco and Health Trust Fund in an amount equal to twenty million

16 dollars; and (C) to the Biomedical Research Trust Fund in an amount
17 equal to five million dollars."

18 Strike out lines 56 to 64, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
19 following in lieu thereof:

20 "Sec. 3. (NEW) There is created a Biomedical Research Trust Fund
21 which shall be a separate nonlapsing fund. The trust fund may accept
22 transfers from the Tobacco Settlement Fund and may apply for and
23 accept gifts, grants or donations from public or private sources to
24 enable the trust fund to carry out its objectives. On and after July 1,
25 2001, the trust fund shall be used by the Commissioner of Public
26 Health to make grants-in-aid to eligible institutions for the purpose of
27 funding biomedical research in the fields of heart disease, cancer and
28 other tobacco-related diseases. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002,
29 the total amount of such grants-in-aid made during the fiscal year shall
30 not exceed two million dollars. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003,
31 and each fiscal year thereafter, the total amount of such grants-in-aid
32 made during the fiscal year shall not exceed fifty per cent of the total
33 amount held in the trust fund as of the date such grants-in-aid are
34 approved. Not later than April 1, 2001, the Commissioner of Public
35 Health shall develop an application for grants-in-aid under this section
36 and may receive applications from eligible institutions for such grants-
37 in-aid on and after said date. For purposes of this section, "eligible
38 institution" means (1) a nonprofit, tax-exempt academic institution of
39 higher education, or (2) a hospital that conducts biomedical research."