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To: House Bill No. **6704** File No. Cal. No. 692

(As Amended by House Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT CONCERNING EXPENDITURES AND REVENUE FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2015."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Section 2-33a of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):
- 5 The General Assembly shall not authorize an increase in general
- 6 budget expenditures for any fiscal year above the amount of general
- 7 budget expenditures authorized for the previous fiscal year by a
- 8 percentage which exceeds the greater of the percentage increase in

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9 personal income or the percentage increase in inflation, unless the 10 Governor declares an emergency or the existence of extraordinary 11 circumstances and at least three-fifths of the members of each house of 12 the General Assembly vote to exceed such limit for the purposes of 13 such emergency or extraordinary circumstances. Any such declaration 14 shall specify the nature of such emergency or circumstances and may 15 provide that such proposed additional expenditures shall not be 16 considered general budget expenditures for the current fiscal year for 17 the purposes of determining general budget expenditures for the 18 ensuing fiscal year and any act of the General Assembly authorizing 19 such expenditures may contain such provision. As used in this section, 20 "increase in personal income" means the average of the annual increase 21 in personal income in the state for each of the preceding five years, 22 according to United States Bureau of Economic Analysis data; 23 "increase in inflation" means the increase in the consumer price index 24 for urban consumers during the preceding [twelve-month] twenty-25 four-month period, according to United States Bureau of Labor 26 Statistics data; and "general budget expenditures" means expenditures 27 from appropriated funds authorized by public or special act of the 28 General Assembly, provided (1) general budget expenditures shall not 29 include expenditures for payment of the principal of and interest on 30 bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, expenditures 31 pursuant to section 4-30a, or current or increased expenditures for 32 statutory grants to distressed municipalities, provided such grants are 33 in effect on July 1, 1991, and (2) expenditures for the implementation of 34 federal mandates or court orders shall not be considered general 35 budget expenditures for the first fiscal year in which such 36 expenditures are authorized, but shall be considered general budget 37 expenditures for such year for the purposes of determining general 38 budget expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year. As used in this section, 39 "federal mandates" means those programs or services in which the 40 state must participate, or in which the state participated on July 1, 41 1991, and in which the state must meet federal entitlement and 42 eligibility criteria in order to receive federal reimbursement, provided 43 expenditures for program or service components which are optional HB 6704 Amendment

44 under federal law or regulation shall be considered general budget

45 expenditures."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: