



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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LCO No. 5320



Offered by:  
REP. MINER, 66<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
REP. CASE, 63<sup>rd</sup> Dist.

To: Subst. House Bill No. 5150      File No. 714      Cal. No. 260

**"AN ACT CONCERNING TREE WARDENS' NOTICES ON TREES AND SHRUBS PRIOR TO REMOVAL, TREE REMOVAL ALONG STATE HIGHWAYS AND CLEAN-UP BY PUBLIC UTILITY CORPORATIONS FOLLOWING CERTAIN TREE REMOVAL."**

1      After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2      internal references accordingly:

3      "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2016*) Notwithstanding any  
4      provision of the general statutes, sixty days prior to undertaking any  
5      tree removal along any state highway, the Department of  
6      Transportation shall submit the plan for such removal to the joint  
7      standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
8      matters relating to the environment and to the Department of Energy  
9      and Environmental Protection. Such plan shall detail the proposed  
10     areas scheduled for tree removal, the time frame for such work, the  
11     amount of funds allocated by the Department of Transportation for  
12     such work and the distance such department intends to clear in such  
13     proposed areas. The plan submitted by the Department of

14 Transportation pursuant to this section shall be reviewed and signed  
15 by a licensed arborist. The provisions of this section shall not be  
16 construed to apply to the removal of any tree or group of trees when  
17 such tree or group of trees constitutes an immediate public hazard."

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |                        |             |
| Sec. 501  | <i>October 1, 2016</i> | New section |