

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to establishing the City's position regarding Assembly Bill (AB) 1167 (W. Carrillo), the Orphan Well Prevention Act, which would require that buyers and operators of oil and gas wells post a bond sufficient to cover the full cost of plugging, abandonment and site restoration after production stops.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Hutt - Yaroslavsky - Blumenfield), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

RESOLVE to include in the City's 2023-24 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 1167 (W. Carrillo), the Orphan Well Prevention Act, which would require that buyers and operators of oil and gas wells post a bond sufficient to cover the full cost of plugging, abandonment and site restoration after production stops.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Chief Legislative Analyst. The City Administrative Officer has not completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:  
Westside Neighborhood Council

#### SUMMARY

At its meeting held on August 18, 2023, the Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered a Chief Legislative Analyst report and Resolution (Hutt - Yaroslavsky - Blumenfield) relative to including in the City's 2023-24 State Legislative Program support for Assembly Bill (AB) 1167 (W. Carrillo), the Orphan Well Prevention Act, which would require that buyers and operators of oil and gas wells post a bond sufficient to cover the full cost of plugging, abandonment and site restoration after production stops.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council adopt the Resolution. This matter is now forwarded to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KREKORIAN	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON	YES
BLUMENFIELD	YES

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