

Date of Hearing: June 8, 2022

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Cecilia Aguiar-Curry, Chair

SB 1130 (McGuire) – As Amended March 16, 2022

SENATE VOTE: 35-0

SUBJECT: Military base reuse authority: board of directors: ex officio members.

SUMMARY: Specifies that the governing board of a military base reuse authority may appoint or remove, as ex officio nonvoting members of the board, representatives from state agencies or campuses of the University of California (UC) or the California State University (CSU) in the territory of the base.

EXISTING LAW:

- 1) Authorizes counties and cities to create military base reuse authorities if their legislative bodies adopt resolutions to do so, and states that the purpose of a military base reuse authority is to plan for, finance, and manage the transition of the military base from military to civilian use.
- 2) Requires each city and each county to appoint one member from their respective legislative bodies to serve on the military base reuse authority board.
- 3) Allows the military base reuse authority board to appoint nonvoting ex officio members to the board.

FISCAL EFFECT: None.

COMMENTS:

- 1) **Bill Summary and Author’s Statement.** This bill specifies that the governing board of a military base reuse authority may appoint or remove, as ex officio nonvoting members of the board, representatives from state agencies or campuses of the UC or the CSU in the territory of the base.

According to the author, “In 1994, the Legislature created military base reuse authorities to encourage regional collaboration for closing military bases. These closing military bases came in many shapes and sizes, but often served as hubs for the development and employment of the surrounding areas. They collaborated with cities, counties, special districts, and educational institutions to fulfill their military purpose and serve the community.

“Future plans for these bases continue to have regional impacts. Nonvoting ex officio members encourage regional collaboration by ensuring that many voices are heard when a military base reuse authority meets. This bill clarifies that when a military base reuse authority appoints nonvoting ex officio members, it may include representatives from state agencies, or campuses of the University of California or California State University systems,

avoiding any unnecessary confusion about who can participate while continuing to encourage regional collaboration.”

This bill is sponsored by the author.

- 2) **Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC).** The end of the Cold War forced the Department of Defense to adjust to new geopolitical realities. Through several rounds of the BRAC process, federal officials closed or realigned nearly three dozen military bases in California. Upon their closure, the Department of Defense, along with local agencies, designated local reuse authorities to guide the future use of the base.

AB 3759 (Gotch), Chapter 1165, Statutes of 1994, created the Military Base Reuse Authority Act, which allowed counties and cities within the sphere of influence of a military base to create a military base reuse authority to craft a regional approach to address future plans for closing military bases. If two-thirds of the legislative bodies from these cities or the respective counties adopt resolutions to form an authority, then the authority forms. One member from each city and one member from each county serve as the board. The board can appoint nonvoting ex officio members to the board to help encourage participation beyond the voting local agency representatives.

- 3) **Previous Legislation.** SB 1287 (McGuire) of 2020 was nearly identical to this bill. SB 1287 was held in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

SB 458 (McGuire) of 2021 would have clarified that only voting members of a military base reuse authority’s board shall constitute a quorum and may act for the authority. SB 458 was held in the Assembly Rules Committee.

AB 3759 (Gotch), Chapter 1165, Statutes of 1994, created the Military Base Reuse Authority Act to authorize counties and cities located wholly or partly within the boundaries of a military base to establish a military base reuse authority to prepare, adopt, finance, and implement a plan for the future use and development of the territory occupied by the military base.

- 4) **Arguments in Support.** None on file.
 5) **Arguments in Opposition.** None on file.

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

None on file

Opposition

None on file

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