

**TOWN OF  
APPLE VALLEY, CALIFORNIA**

**AGENDA MATTER**

**Subject Item:**

**SB 295 (DUTTON) - CALIFORNIA GLOBAL WARMING SOLUTIONS ACT OF 2006**

**SUMMARY STATEMENT**

Council Member Coleman requested that staff research whether or not the League of California Cities has taken a position on SB 295, a bill authored by Senator Dutton and amended on April 27, 2009, to require the state board to complete a study to reevaluate the evaluation of costs and provide this study to the Legislature by October 1, 2009. The state board would be required to report to the Legislature by November 1, 2009, on whether the revised analysis has led, or will lead, to any changes to the scoping plan, and whether any changes should be made to the act's timelines. This bill would require the Legislative Analyst to review the state board's implementation of these requirements. SB 295 was re-referred to the Assembly Committee Environmental Quality on April 27, with the author's amendments.

According to Senator Dutton, "Requiring the ARB to re-evaluate the cost of the scoping plan will better allow lawmakers, businesses, and the public to understand the true costs of implementing AB 32." The author also asserts that "implementing AB 32 will undoubtedly lead to increased costs for businesses and consumers. Given the state of California's economy, now is not the time to introduce costly new regulations."

The Desert Mountain Division of the League of California Cities has gone on record recommending that the Legislature delay implementation of SB 375 and AB 32. In addition, all state boards and commissions should adopt policies that require them to accurately analyze the economic impact of new rules and regulations prior to adoption or implementation.

The League's position is "watch." It has been the practice of the Town in the past to wait until the League has taken a support or oppose position before preparing a letter. However, Senator Dutton's office has informed staff that they would appreciate a letter of support.

**Recommended Action:**

Provide direction to staff.

**Proposed by:** Frank Robinson, Town Manager

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**T. M. Approval:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Budgeted Item**  Yes  No  N/A