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# H. R. 4908

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 26, 2023

Mr. GARAMENDI introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Expedited Federal Per-  
5 mitting for California Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROGRAM FOR ELIMINATING DUPLICATION OF EN-**  
2 **VIRONMENTAL REVIEWS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 330 of title 23, United  
4 States Code, is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)(1) by striking “pilot”;

6 (2) in subsection (j) by striking “Not later than  
7 2 years after the date of enactment of this section,  
8 and annually thereafter, the” and inserting “The”;

9 (3) by striking subsection (k);

10 (4) in subsection (l)—

11 (A) in paragraph (3) by striking “pilot”;

12 and

13 (B) in paragraph (4)—

14 (i) in subparagraph (A) by striking “;  
15 and” and inserting a semicolon;

16 (ii) by redesignating subparagraph  
17 (B) as subparagraph (D); and

18 (iii) by inserting after subparagraph  
19 (A) the following:

20 “(B) an eligible airport-related project (as  
21 such term is defined in section 40117(a) of title  
22 49);

23 “(C) an eligible port development project  
24 described in section 54301(a)(3) of title 49;  
25 and”; and

1           (5) by redesignating subsection (l) as subsection  
2           (k).

3           (b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 1 year after the  
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-  
5 tation shall issue such regulations as are necessary to im-  
6 plement the amendments made by subsection (a).

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