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AMENDMENTS TO ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1552

Amendment 1

In the heading, in line 1, strike out "Member" and insert:

Members

Amendment 2

In the heading, in line 1, after "Travis Allen" insert:

and Bloom

Amendment 3

In the heading, below line 1, insert:

(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Dababneh)
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Gatto, Brough, Hadley, and Linder)
(Coauthors: Senators Anderson, Hertzberg, and Stone)

Amendment 4

On page 2, before line 1, insert:

SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares as follows:

- (a) The United States and Israel have a unique bond based on their shared, enduring values, which are reflected in the virtues and principles of freedom and democracy, and have stood together as allies since Israel was first formed as a nation.
- (b) California and Israel have established business partnerships and trade relations with each other, and those partnerships have helped enhance the agricultural, educational, energy, entertainment, health, medical, scientific, and water policies in California, Israel, and the United States.
- (c) On March 5, 2014, as the culmination of an effort started as Assembly Bill No. 1032 of the 2009–10 Regular Session, the Governor of California and the Prime Minister of Israel signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) for strategic partnerships for joint innovation, exchanges, and cooperation between California and Israel.
- (d) In July 2015, the Legislature affirmed its support for the MOU by passing Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 25, noting that participants in the MOU had already expanded cooperation between Israel and California in areas such as alternative energy, agriculture, business innovation, and academia, and declaring that collaboration with Israel will foster peace and democracy in the Middle East.
- (e) Boycotts of Israel by companies doing business in California undermine the aforesaid express policy and purpose of encouraging trade, business and academic cooperation between California and Israel. Therefore, it is in the best interests of the



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State of California that it not contract with any company participating in a boycott of Israel.

SEC. 2. (a) In accordance therewith and in the best interests of California's residents, businesses, and taxpayers, the Governor's Office of Business & Economic Development will, pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 121 of the 2013-14 Regular Session and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 25 of the 2014-15 Regular Session, recommend tools to incentivize business and academic collaboration, trade, and partnership between Israel and California and to disincentivize any and all barriers hindering such collaboration, trade and partnership.

(b) These incentives may include, but not be limited to, tax credits, partnership subsidies, innovative grant programs, job creation initiatives, and contracting preferences.

Amendment 5

On page 2, in line 1, strike out "SECTION 1." and insert:

SEC. 3.

Amendment 6

On page 2, in line 6, strike out "unless the contract includes a", strike out lines 7 to 11, inclusive, and insert:

if the contracting company is participating in a boycott of Israel.

Amendment 7

On page 2, strike out lines 14 to 17, inclusive, and insert:

(1) (A) "Boycott Israel" or "boycott of Israel" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or taking other actions that are intended to penalize, inflict economic harm, or otherwise limit commercial relations with Israel or persons or entities incorporated in Israel or doing business in Israel for reasons other than business, investment, or commercial reasons. A statement by a company that it is participating in a boycott of Israel, or that it has initiated a boycott in response to a request for a boycott of Israel or in compliance with, or in furtherance of, calls for a boycott of Israel, may be considered by public entities to be evidence that a company is participating in a boycott of Israel.

Amendment 8

On page 2, strike out lines 20 to 25, inclusive, and insert:

(ii) Termination or prohibition of commercial activity within a particular jurisdiction that is required by federal or state law.

(2) "Company" means a sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, or other entity or business association, including all wholly owned subsidiaries, majority-owned subsidiaries, and parent companies, that exists for the purpose of making profit.

Amendment 9

On page 2, strike out lines 28 to 31, inclusive, on page 3, in line 1, strike out "(2)" and insert:

(1)

Amendment 10

On page 3, between lines 2 and 3, insert:

(2) The public entity makes a formal, written determination that the goods, services or other matter which is the subject of the contract are necessary for the public entity to perform its functions and that, absent such exemption, the public entity would be unable to obtain said goods, services or other matter for which the contract is offered.

Amendment 11

On page 3, in line 10, strike out "SEC. 2." and insert:

SEC. 4.