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I OPPOSE SB 1567.

Eligibility criteria for these loans are to be established by the Housing and Community Services Department through program rules, including who is eligible, loan details that need to keep the program in the green, and what happens if it doesn't. This allows an agency to make laws in which the public is not represented - a violation of the Chevron case. There might be value to the bill if it were more transparent.

It also provides for on going appropriations, costing taxpayer every time they need a bailout. The bill needs safe guards.