

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Planning Code - Zoning - Establishing Standards for Bird-Safe Buildings]

Ordinance amending the San Francisco Planning Code by adding Section 139 to establish Standards for Bird-Safe Buildings to help reduce injury and mortality in birds caused by certain types of new construction, replacement facades, and building features; amending Section 145.1 to allow for exceptions to transparency and fenestration requirements to meet Standards for Bird-Safe Buildings; and adopting findings, including environmental findings and findings of consistency with the General Plan and Planning Code Section 101.1.

Existing Law

The San Francisco Planning Code regulates various aspects of building design, including facades and fenestration, within the City and County of San Francisco.

Amendments to Current Law

This legislation would create Planning Code Section 139 to establish standards for bird-safe building design in order to reduce injury and mortality in birds. The design controls would apply to certain types of new construction, replacement facades, and some building features. The Ordinance also would amend Section 145.1 to allow for exceptions to the transparency and fenestration requirements consistent with the standards for bird-safe buildings. This Ordinance also would adopt environmental findings and findings of consistency with the General Plan and priority policies of Planning Code Section 101.1.