

## Condensed Talking Points

AB 1401 (Friedman)

**Elevator:** AB 1401 will eliminate parking requirements in neighborhoods near high-quality transit, which will make housing more affordable, make our cities healthier and more liveable, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

**What AB 1401 does:** AB 1401 will lower the cost of housing by ending parking minimums in neighborhoods near high-quality transit. Reducing parking requirements does not mean eliminating parking. Under AB 1401, the amount of parking included in a new development would be based on anticipated demand.

- **Affordability:** Unnecessary minimum parking requirements can add \$80,000 or more to the cost of construction, costs that are directly passed on to homeowners and renters whether or not they own a vehicle. AB 1401 will end parking requirements and decrease the cost of housing.
- **Livability:** Getting rid of arbitrary parking requirements will enable those who live near and depend on transit to have healthier neighborhoods and will make transit-rich areas with less pollution more accessible to low-income families.
- **Reduce Emissions:** Ending parking minimums will allow more people to live near transit--decreasing sprawl and vehicle miles traveled. The transportation sector makes up more than 40% of the state's total greenhouse gas emissions.