

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY AUGUST 23, 2002

SENATE BILL

No. 1770

Introduced by Senators Burton and Johnson
(Coauthor: Senator Karnette)

February 21, 2002

An act to add Section 33042 to the Education Code, relating to ~~the State Board of Education~~ *school districts*.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1770, as amended, Burton. ~~State Board of Education: Palmer Method competition~~ *School districts: Cursive handwriting: State Board of Education standards.*

There is in existing law, the State Board of Education with prescribed powers and duties regarding the public school system.

This bill would ~~require the State Board of Education to annually conduct a statewide competition on methods of penmanship including, but not limited to, the D'Nealian Method and the Palmer Method of penmanship for all pupils throughout the state~~ *state that the Legislature encourages school districts to comply with the State Board of Education's English Language and Arts Writing Arts Strategies on cursive handwriting standards whereby pupils are expected to write fluidly and legibly and would encourage school districts to teach methods of penmanship that may include, but are not limited to, the D'Nealian Method and the Palmer Method of penmanship.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~yes~~ *no*. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 33042 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:

3 ~~33042. The State Board of Education shall annually conduct~~
4 ~~a statewide competition on methods of penmanship, including, but~~
5 ~~not limited to, the D’Nealian Method and the Palmer Method of~~
6 ~~penmanship for all pupils throughout the state. The purpose of this~~
7 ~~section is to encourage school districts to prepare pupils to enter~~
8 ~~this competition.~~

9 *33042. The Legislature encourages school districts to comply*
10 *with the State Board of Education’s English Language and Arts*
11 *Writing Arts Strategies on cursive handwriting standards whereby*
12 *pupils are expected to write fluidly and legibly. School districts are*
13 *encouraged to teach methods of penmanship that may include, but*
14 *are not limited to, the D’Nealian Method and the Palmer Method*
15 *of penmanship.*

