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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003–04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2482

Introduced by Assembly Member Campbell
(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Liu)

February 19, 2004

An act to amend Section 9795 of the Government Code, relating to state reports.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2482, as amended, Campbell. State reports: electronic format.

Existing law provides that any report required or requested by law to be submitted by a state or local agency to the members of either house of the Legislature generally, but not to a committee or other specified entity within the Legislature, shall instead be submitted to the Legislative Counsel, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly, and include a summary of its contents. A state or local agency is deemed to have complied with these requirements if it submits one hard copy of the report to these entities.

This bill instead would require a state agency to submit reports as specified under these provisions, including reports to a committee or other specified entity within the Legislature, in electronic form, and to submit the summary in the form of a physical copy. It would require the agency to *post the report on its Web site, and to provide a physical copy of a report to a committee or other specified entity in the Legislature upon request.*

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 9795 of the Government Code is
2 amended to read:

3 9795. (a) (1) Any report required or requested by law to be
4 submitted by a state or local agency to the members of either house
5 of the Legislature generally, shall instead be submitted to the
6 Legislative Counsel, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Chief
7 Clerk of the Assembly. Each report shall include a summary of its
8 contents, not to exceed one page in length, a copy of which shall
9 be provided to each member of the appropriate house or houses of
10 the Legislature by the Legislative Counsel within two working
11 days of its receipt. Notice of receipt of the report shall also be
12 recorded in the journal of the appropriate house or houses of the
13 Legislature by the secretary or clerk of that house.

14 (2) In addition to and as part of the information made available
15 to the public in electronic form pursuant to Section 10248, the
16 Legislative Counsel shall make available a list of the reports
17 submitted by state and local agencies, as specified in paragraph
18 (1). If the Legislative Counsel receives a request from a member
19 of the public for a report contained in the list, the Legislative
20 Counsel is not required to provide a copy of the report and may
21 refer the requester to the state or local agency, as the case may be,
22 that authored the report.

23 (b) (1) A local agency shall be deemed to have complied with
24 paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) if the agency submits to the
25 Legislative Counsel, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Chief
26 Clerk of the Assembly each one hard copy of the report required
27 or requested.

28 (2) A state agency shall submit reports as specified in
29 paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) in electronic form, and shall
30 submit the summary described in that paragraph in the form of a
31 physical copy.

32 (c) (1) This section shall not apply to reports required or
33 requested by law to be directed to a committee or other specified
34 entity within the Legislature.

35 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a state agency providing a
36 report to a committee or other specified entity within the
37 Legislature shall do so in electronic form and shall provide a
38 physical copy upon request.



1 (d) No report shall be distributed to a Member of the
2 Legislature unless specifically requested by that member.

3 (e) Compliance with subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be full
4 compliance with subdivision (c) of Section 10242.5.

5 (f) *Any report submitted by a state agency as described in this*
6 *section shall also be posted at the agency's Web site.*

7 (g) For purposes of this section, "report" includes any study or
8 audit.

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