

Assembly Bill No. 2169

CHAPTER 475

An act to amend and repeal Sections 6211 and 6217 of the Government Code, relating to public records.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2169, Montanez. Public records: confidentiality.

(1) Existing law establishes a program until January 1, 2008, known as "Address Confidentiality for Victims of Domestic Violence and Stalking," which authorizes specified persons to complete an application containing specified information in person at a community-based victims' assistance program to be approved by the Secretary of State for the purpose of enabling state and local agencies to respond to requests for public records without disclosing a program participant's residence address contained in any public record, including the program participant's voter registration, and requires the Secretary of State to act as that person's agent for service of process and to designate a substitute mailing address for program participants pursuant to specified procedures that state and local agencies are required to use at the request of a program participant.

Existing law establishes a similar program until January 1, 2008, entitled the "Address Confidentiality for Reproductive Health Care Services Providers, Employees, Volunteers, and Patients" to protect the confidentiality of home address information of reproductive health care services providers, employees, volunteers, and patients.

This bill would extend the operation of these programs until 2013. By extending the duties on local agencies for an additional period of time, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

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

SECTION 1. Section 6211 of the Government Code is amended to read:

6211. This chapter shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2013, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2013, deletes or extends that date.

SEC. 2. Section 6217 of the Government Code is amended to read:

6217. This chapter shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2013, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2013, deletes or extends that date.

SEC. 3. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those mandated costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.