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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007–08 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL No. 299

Introduced by Assembly Member Tran

February 9, 2007

An act to amend Sections 650, 725, 1265.1, 1725, 2023.5, 2135.5, 2168.1, 2516, 2533, 2684, 4122, 4162.5, 4181, 4191, 4989.54, 4989.70, 4996.17, 5050.2, 6002.1, 6061, 6071, 6079.1, 6086.65, 6126, 6145, 6321, 6501, 7017.3, 7145.5, 7159, 7159.9, 18711, and 19601 of the Business and Professions Code, to amend Section 1788.18 of the Civil Code, to amend Sections 340.7, 1245.245, and 1277 of, and to amend and renumber the heading of Title 9.3 (commencing with Section 1298) of Part 3 of, the Code of Civil Procedure, to amend Sections 1157, 15901.02, 15901.10, 15901.16, 15903.03, 15905.06, 15911.12, and 15911.26 of the Corporations Code, to amend Sections 317, 10600, 10601, 10601.5, 15146, 17077.42, 17078.53, 17213, 22950, 24300.2, 32221.5, 33126, 33126.1, 33353, 33354, 33370, 35179, 35900, 35932, 37220, 41207.1, 42238.51, 44041, 44041.5, 44468, 49561, 51221.4, 51251, 51871.5, 52052, 52055.730, 52055.770, 60640, 60900, 87040, and 87040.5 of the Education Code, to amend Sections 782 and 1117 of the Evidence Code, to amend Sections 177, 216, 291, 1816, 5614, 8623, 8632.5, 8919, and 9205 of the Family Code, to amend Sections 17419 and 22168 of the Financial Code, to amend Sections 5650, 12003.2, and 13007 of the Fish and Game Code, to amend Sections 19348.1, 33251, 33261, 33262, and 33297 of, and to amend and renumber Section 79843 of, the Food and Agricultural Code, to amend Sections 905, 6103.2,7072, 7085.1, 8592.1, 8610, 8880.325, 9359, 9359.1, 12011.5, 13952, 13955, 14995, *16584*, 17558.8, 19822.3, 20037.7, 20479, 20636, 21150, 21227, 26744.5, 31485.7, 31485.8, 53343.1, 53635.8, 68661, 69927, 70311, 70359, 70640, 71601, 71615,

71639, 71675, 77003, 77009, 77200, 77201.1, 77202, 77203, 77209, 85316, and 89513 of, *to amend and renumber Section 19632 of,* to repeal and amend Section 77201 of, and to amend the heading of Chapter 8.1 (commencing with Section 8710) of Division 1 of Title 2 of, the Government Code, to amend Sections 1250.8, 1262.4, 1265.5, 1265.6, 1266.9, 1279.1, 1568.09, 1575.7, 1597.46, 1604.6, 11162.1, 11592, 11773.1, 18080.5, 38505, 43869, 44525.6, 53533, 101965, *106780,* 108680, 109280, 110552, 118280, 120155, 120440, 124116.5, 124174, 124900, 127400, 127405, 127410, and 127425 of the Health and Safety Code, to amend Section 1194.82 of the Insurance Code, to amend Section 3201.81 of the Labor Code, to amend Sections 186.9, 271.5, 290, 295, 298.1, 374.5, 977, 1037.1, ~~and 1037.2~~ *1037.2, and 12082* of the Penal Code, to amend Sections 1458, 2352.5, and 4690 of the Probate Code, to amend Sections 21071 and 22154 of the Public Contract Code, to amend Sections 5096.805, 5096.821, 5097.98, 5645, 6314, 14581, 16053, 21151.8, 21167.6, 25205, 25303, 25310, 25742, 25743, 29735, 30340.5, 42310.3, and 48023 of, *and to amend and renumber the heading of Chapter 12 (commencing with Section 5860) of Division 5 of,* the Public Resources Code, to amend Sections 303, 399.12, 399.20, ~~5810, 5830, 5840, 5860, 5870, 5880, 5890, 5900, 5930, 5960~~ *421, 455.1,* 7662, 7665.2, 8340, 8341, and 132610 of the Public Utilities Code, to amend Sections ~~107.7,~~ 18766, 18847.3, *19533, 23704.4,* and 30182 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, to amend Sections 97, 97.1, 143, and 149.7 of the Streets and Highways Code, to amend Sections 5160, 11713.1, 12804.9, 13352, 13352.1, and 13353.2 of the Vehicle Code, to amend Sections 13385, 21100, and 50780.10 of the Water Code, to amend Sections 202, 319, 4094, 9103, 11155.6, 14107.2, 14115, 14123.05, 14166.18, 16540, 16541.5, 16542, 16545, 16809, 16809.3, 18309, 18945, and 18951 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, to amend Section 17 of the Orange County Water District Act, and to amend Section 1 of Chapter 34, Section 1 of Chapter 323, and Section 1 of Chapter 710 of the Statutes of 2006, relating to the maintenance of the codes.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 299, as amended, Tran. Maintenance of the codes.

Existing law directs the Legislative Counsel to advise the Legislature from time to time as to legislation necessary to maintain the codes.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes in various provisions of law to effectuate the recommendations made by the Legislative Counsel to the Legislature.

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

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

SECTION 1. Section 650 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

650. (a) Except as provided in Chapter 2.3 (commencing with Section 1400) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code, the offer, delivery, receipt, or acceptance by any person licensed under this division or the Chiropractic Initiative Act of any rebate, refund, commission, preference, patronage dividend, discount, or other consideration, whether in the form of money or otherwise, as compensation or inducement for referring patients, clients, or customers to any person, irrespective of any membership, proprietary interest, or coownership in or with any person to whom these patients, clients, or customers are referred is unlawful.

(b) The payment or receipt of consideration for services other than the referral of patients which is based on a percentage of gross revenue or similar type of contractual arrangement shall not be unlawful if the consideration is commensurate with the value of the services furnished or with the fair rental value of any premises or equipment leased or provided by the recipient to the payer.

(c) The offer, delivery, receipt, or acceptance of any consideration between a federally qualified health center, as defined in Section 1396d(*l*)(2)(B) of Title 42 of the United States Code, and any individual or entity providing goods, items, services, donations, loans, or a combination thereof, to the health center entity pursuant to a contract, lease, grant, loan, or other agreement, if that agreement contributes to the ability of the health center entity to maintain or increase the availability, or enhance the quality, of services provided to a medically underserved population served by the health center, shall be permitted only to the extent sanctioned or permitted by federal law.

(d) Except as provided in Chapter 2.3 (commencing with Section 1400) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and in Sections 654.1 and 654.2 of this code, it shall not be unlawful for any person

licensed under this division to refer a person to any laboratory, pharmacy, clinic (including entities exempt from licensure pursuant to Section 1206 of the Health and Safety Code), or health care facility solely because the licensee has a proprietary interest or coownership in the laboratory, pharmacy, clinic, or health care facility, provided, however, that the licensee's return on investment for that proprietary interest or coownership shall be based upon the amount of the capital investment or proportional ownership of the licensee, which ownership interest is not based on the number or value of any patients referred. Any referral excepted under this section shall be unlawful if the prosecutor proves that there was no valid medical need for the referral.

(e) (1) Except as provided in Chapter 2.3 (commencing with Section 1400) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and in Sections 654.1 and 654.2 of this code, it shall not be unlawful to provide nonmonetary remuneration, in the form of hardware, software, or information technology and training services, necessary and used solely to receive and transmit electronic prescription information in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 1860D-4(e) of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1395w-104) in the following situations:

(A) In the case of a hospital, by the hospital to members of its medical staff.

(B) In the case of a group medical practice, by the practice to prescribing health care professionals that are members of the practice.

(C) In the case of Medicare prescription drug plan sponsors or Medicare Advantage organizations, by the sponsor or organization to pharmacists and pharmacies participating in the network of the sponsor or organization and to prescribing health care professionals.

(2) The exceptions set forth in this subdivision are adopted to conform state law with the provisions of Section 1860D-4(e)(6) of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1395w-104) and are limited to drugs covered under Part D of the federal Medicare Program that are prescribed to Part D eligible individuals (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1395w-101).

(3) The exceptions set forth in this subdivision shall not be operative until the regulations required to be adopted by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, pursuant to Section 1860D-4(e) of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 1395W-104) are effective. If the California Health and Human Services Agency determines that regulations are necessary to ensure that implementation of the provisions of paragraph (1) is consistent with the regulations adopted by the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, it shall adopt emergency regulations to that effect.

(f) "Health care facility" means a general acute care hospital, acute psychiatric hospital, skilled nursing facility, intermediate care facility, or any other health facility licensed by the State Department of Health Services under Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 1250) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code.

(g) A violation of this section is a public offense and is punishable upon a first conviction by imprisonment in a county jail for not more than one year, or by imprisonment in the state prison, or by a fine not exceeding fifty thousand dollars ($50,000), or by both that imprisonment and fine. A second or subsequent conviction is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison or by imprisonment in the state prison and a fine of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000).

SEC. 2. Section 725 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

725. (a) Repeated acts of clearly excessive prescribing, furnishing, dispensing, or administering of drugs or treatment, repeated acts of clearly excessive use of diagnostic procedures, or repeated acts of clearly excessive use of diagnostic or treatment facilities as determined by the standard of the community of licensees is unprofessional conduct for a physician and surgeon, dentist, podiatrist, psychologist, physical therapist, chiropractor, optometrist, speech-language pathologist, or audiologist.

(b) Any person who engages in repeated acts of clearly excessive prescribing or administering of drugs or treatment is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars ($100) nor more than six hundred dollars ($600), or by imprisonment for a term of not less than 60 days nor more than 180 days, or by both that fine and imprisonment.

(c) A practitioner who has a medical basis for prescribing, furnishing, dispensing, or administering dangerous drugs or prescription controlled substances shall not be subject to disciplinary action or prosecution under this section.

(d) No physician and surgeon shall be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to this section for treating intractable pain in compliance with Section 2241.5.

SEC. 3. Section 1265.1 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1265.1. (a) A primary care clinic that submits an application to the State Department of Health Services for clinic licensure pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 1204 of the Health and Safety Code may submit prior to that submission, or concurrent therewith, an application for licensure or registration of a clinical laboratory to be operated by the clinic.

(b) An application for licensure of a clinical laboratory submitted pursuant to this section shall be subject to all applicable laboratory licensing laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, any statutory or regulatory timelines and processes for review of a clinical laboratory application.

SEC. 4. Section 1725 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

1725. The amount of the fees prescribed by this chapter that relate to the licensing of dental auxiliaries shall be established by board resolution and subject to the following limitations:

(a) The application fee for an original license shall not exceed twenty dollars ($20).

(b) (1) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental assistant shall not exceed fifty dollars ($50) for the written examination and shall not exceed sixty dollars ($60) for the practical examination.

(2) On and after January 1, 2008, the following fees are established for registered orthodontic assistants, registered surgery assistants, registered restorative assistants, and registered dental assistants:

(A) The fee for application and for the issuance of a license shall not exceed fifty dollars ($50).

(B) The fee for the practical examination shall not exceed ninety-five dollars ($95), nor shall it exceed the actual cost of the examination.

(C) The fee for a written examination shall not exceed eighty dollars ($80), nor shall it exceed the actual cost of the examination.

(c) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental assistant in extended functions or a registered restorative assistant in extended functions shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars ($250).

(d) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental hygienist shall not exceed two hundred twenty dollars ($220).

(e) For third- and fourth-year dental students, the fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental hygienist shall not exceed the actual cost of the examination.

(f) The fee for examination for licensure as a registered dental hygienist in extended functions shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars ($250).

(g) The board shall establish the fee at an amount not to exceed the actual cost for licensure as a registered dental hygienist in alternative practice.

(h) The biennial renewal fee for a dental auxiliary whose license expires on or after January 1, 1991, shall not exceed sixty dollars ($60). On or after January 1, 1992, the board may set the renewal fee in an amount not to exceed eighty dollars ($80).

(i) The delinquency fee shall not exceed twenty-five dollars ($25) or one-half of the renewal fee, whichever is greater. Any delinquent license may be restored only upon payment of all fees, including the delinquency fee.

(j) The fee for issuance of a duplicate registration, license, or certificate to replace one that is lost or destroyed, or in the event of a name change, shall not exceed twenty-five dollars ($25).

(k) The fee for each curriculum review and site evaluation for educational programs for registered dental assistants which are not accredited by a board-approved agency, the Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education, or the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall not exceed one thousand four hundred dollars ($1,400).

(*l*) The fee for each review of radiation safety courses or specialty registration courses that are not accredited by a board-approved agency, the Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education, or the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall not exceed three hundred dollars ($300).

(m) No fees or charges other than those listed in subdivisions (a) to (*l*), inclusive, shall be levied by the board in connection with the licensure of dental auxiliaries, registered dental assistants educational program site evaluations, and radiation safety course evaluations pursuant to this chapter.

(n) Fees fixed by the board pursuant to this section shall not be subject to the approval of the Office of Administrative Law.

(o) Fees collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the State Dental Auxiliary Fund.

SEC. 5. Section 2023.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2023.5. (a) The board, in conjunction with the Board of Registered Nursing, and in consultation with the Physician Assistant Committee and professionals in the field, shall review issues and problems surrounding the use of laser or intense light pulse devices for elective cosmetic procedures by physicians and surgeons, nurses, and physician assistants. The review shall include, but need not be limited to, all of the following:

(1) The appropriate level of physician supervision needed.

(2) The appropriate level of training to ensure competency.

(3) Guidelines for standardized procedures and protocols that address, at a minimum, all of the following:

(A) Patient selection.

(B) Patient education, instruction, and informed consent.

(C) Use of topical agents.

(D) Procedures to be followed in the event of complications or side effects from the treatment.

(E) Procedures governing emergency and urgent care situations.

(b) On or before January 1, 2009, the board and the Board of Registered Nursing shall promulgate regulations to implement changes determined to be necessary with regard to the use of laser or intense pulse light devices for elective cosmetic procedures by physicians and surgeons, nurses, and physician assistants.

SEC. 6. Section 2135.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2135.5. Upon review and recommendation, the Division of Licensing may determine that an applicant for a physician's and surgeon's certificate has satisfied the medical curriculum requirements of Section 2089, the clinical instruction requirements

of Sections 2089.5 and 2089.7, and the examination requirements of Section 2170 if the applicant meets all of the following criteria:

(a) He or she holds an unlimited and unrestricted license as a physician and surgeon in another state and has held that license continuously for a minimum of four years prior to the date of application.

(b) He or she is certified by a specialty board that is a member board of the American Board of Medical Specialties.

(c) He or she is not subject to denial of licensure under Division 1.5 (commencing with Section 475) or Article 12 (commencing with Section 2220).

(d) He or she has not graduated from a medical school that has been disapproved by the division or that does not provide a resident course of instruction.

(e) He or she has graduated from a medical school recognized by the division. If the applicant graduated from a medical school that the division recognized after the date of the applicant's graduation, the division may evaluate the applicant under its regulations.

(f) He or she has not been the subject of a disciplinary action by a medical licensing authority or of an adverse judgment or settlement resulting from the practice of medicine that, as determined by the division, constitutes a pattern of negligence or incompetence.

SEC. 7. Section 2168.1 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2168.1. (a) Any person who meets all of the following eligibility requirements may apply for a special faculty permit:

(1) Is academically eminent. For purposes of this article, "academically eminent" means the applicant meets either of the following criteria:

(A) He or she holds or has been offered a full-time appointment at the level of full professor in a tenure track position, or its equivalent, at a California medical school approved by the Division of Licensing.

(B) He or she is clearly outstanding in a specific field of medicine or surgery and has been offered by the dean of a medical school in this state a full-time academic appointment at the level of full professor or associate professor, and a great need exists to fill that position.

(2) Possesses a current valid license to practice medicine issued by another state, country, or other jurisdiction.

(3) Is not subject to denial under Section 480 or any provision of this chapter.

(4) Pays the fee prescribed for application for, and initial licensure as, a physician and surgeon.

(5) Has not held a position under Section 2113 for a period of two years or more preceding the date of the application. The Division of Licensing may, in its discretion, waive this requirement.

(b) The Division of Licensing shall exercise its discretion in determining whether an applicant satisfies the requirements of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a).

(c) (1) The division shall establish a review committee comprised of two members of the division, one of whom shall be a physician and surgeon and one of whom shall be a public member, and one representative from each of the medical schools in California. The committee shall review and make recommendations to the division regarding the applicants applying pursuant to this section, including those applicants that a medical school proposes to appoint as a division chief or head of a department or as nontenure track faculty.

(2) The representative of the medical school offering the applicant an academic appointment shall not participate in any vote on the recommendation to the division for that applicant.

SEC. 8. Section 2516 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2516. (a) Each licensed midwife who assists, or supervises a student midwife in assisting, in childbirth that occurs in an out-of-hospital setting shall annually report to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development. The report shall be submitted in March, with the first report due in March 2008, for the prior calendar year, in a form specified by the board and shall contain all of the following:

(1) The midwife's name and license number.

(2) The calendar year being reported.

(3) The following information with regard to cases in which the midwife, or the student midwife supervised by the midwife, assisted during the previous year when the intended place of birth at the onset of care was an out-of-hospital setting:

(A) The total number of clients served as primary caregiver at the onset of care.

(B) The total number of clients served with collaborative care available through, or given by, a licensed physician and surgeon.

(C) The total number of clients served under the supervision of a licensed physician and surgeon.

(D) The number by county of live births attended as primary caregiver.

(E) The number, by county, of cases of fetal demise attended as primary caregiver at the discovery of the demise.

(F) The number of women whose primary care was transferred to another health care practitioner during the antepartum period, and the reason for each transfer.

(G) The number, reason, and outcome for each elective hospital transfer during the intrapartum or postpartum period.

(H) The number, reason, and outcome for each urgent or emergency transport of an expectant mother in the antepartum period.

(I) The number, reason, and outcome for each urgent or emergency transport of an infant or mother during the intrapartum or immediate postpartum period.

(J) The number of planned out-of-hospital births at the onset of labor and the number of births completed in an out-of-hospital setting.

(K) The number of planned out-of-hospital births completed in an out-of-hospital setting that were any of the following:

(i) Twin births.

(ii) Multiple births other than twin births.

(iii) Breech births.

(iv) Vaginal births after the performance of a cesarean section.

(L) A brief description of any complications resulting in the mortality of a mother or an infant.

(M) Any other information prescribed by the board in regulations.

(b) The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development shall maintain the confidentiality of the information submitted pursuant to this section, and shall not permit any law enforcement or regulatory agency to inspect or have copies made of the contents of any reports submitted pursuant to subdivision (a) for any

purpose, including, but not limited to, investigations for licensing, certification, or regulatory purposes.

(c) The office shall report to the board, by April, those licensees who have met the requirements of subdivision (a) for that year.

(d) The board shall send a written notice of noncompliance to each licensee who fails to meet the reporting requirement of subdivision (a). Failure to comply with subdivision (a) will result in the midwife being unable to renew his or her license without first submitting the requisite data to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development for the year for which that data was missing or incomplete. The board shall not take any other action against the licensee for failure to comply with subdivision (a).

(e) The board, in consultation with the office and the Midwifery Advisory Council, shall devise a coding system related to data elements that require coding in order to assist in both effective reporting and the aggregation of data pursuant to subdivision (f). The office shall utilize this coding system in its processing of information collected for purposes of subdivision (f).

(f) The office shall report the aggregate information collected pursuant to this section to the board by July of each year. The board shall include this information in its annual report to the Legislature.

(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a violation of this section shall not be a crime.

SEC. 9. Section 2533 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2533. The board may refuse to issue, or issue subject to terms and conditions, a license on the grounds specified in Section 480, or may suspend, revoke, or impose terms and conditions upon the license of any licensee if he or she has been guilty of unprofessional conduct. Unprofessional conduct shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

(a) Conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a speech-language pathologist or audiologist, as the case may be. The record of the conviction shall be conclusive evidence thereof.

(b) Securing a license by fraud or deceit.

(c) (1) The use or administering to himself or herself, of any controlled substance; (2) the use of any of the dangerous drugs specified in Section 4022, or of alcoholic beverages, to the extent,

or in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to the licensee, to any other person, or to the public, or to the extent that the use impairs the ability of the licensee to practice speech-language pathology or audiology safely; (3) more than one misdemeanor or any felony involving the use, consumption, or self-administration of any of the substances referred to in this section; or (4) any combination of paragraphs (1), (2), or (3). The record of the conviction shall be conclusive evidence of unprofessional conduct.

(d) Advertising in violation of Section 17500. Advertising an academic degree that was not validly awarded or earned under the laws of this state or the applicable jurisdiction in which it was issued is deemed to constitute a violation of Section 17500.

(e) Committing a dishonest or fraudulent act that is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a licensee.

(f) Incompetence or gross negligence in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology.

(g) Other acts that have endangered or are likely to endanger the health, welfare, and safety of the public.

SEC. 10. Section 2684 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2684. (a) Notwithstanding Section 2422, any license or approval for the practice of physical therapy shall expire at midnight on the last day of the birth month of the licensee or holder of the approval during the second year of a two-year term, if not renewed.

(b) To renew an unexpired license or approval, the licensee or the holder of the approval shall, on or before the dates on which it would otherwise expire, apply for renewal on a form prescribed by the board, pay the prescribed renewal fee, and submit proof of the completion of continuing education or competency required by the board pursuant to Article 6.5 (commencing with Section 2676). The licensee or holder of the approval shall disclose on his or her license renewal application any misdemeanor or other criminal offense for which he or she has been found guilty or to which he or she has pleaded guilty or no contest.

(c) A license or approval that has expired may be renewed within five years upon payment of all accrued and unpaid renewal fees and satisfaction of the requirements described in subdivision (b).

SEC. 11. Section 4122 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4122. (a) In every pharmacy there shall be prominently posted in a place conspicuous to, and readable by, prescription drug consumers a notice provided by the board concerning the availability of prescription price information, the possibility of generic drug product selection, the type of services provided by pharmacies, and a statement describing patients' rights relative to the requirements imposed on pharmacists pursuant to Section 733. The format and wording of the notice shall be adopted by the board by regulation. A written receipt that contains the required information on the notice may be provided to consumers as an alternative to posting the notice in the pharmacy.

(b) A pharmacist, or a pharmacist's employee, shall give the current retail price for any drug sold at the pharmacy upon request from a consumer, however that request is communicated to the pharmacist or employee.

(c) If a requester requests price information on more than five prescription drugs and does not have valid prescriptions for all of the drugs for which price information is requested, a pharmacist may require the requester to meet any or all of the following requirements:

(1) The request shall be in writing.

(2) The pharmacist shall respond to the written request within a reasonable period of time. A reasonable period of time is deemed to be 10 days, or the time period stated in the written request, whichever is later.

(3) A pharmacy may charge a reasonable fee for each price quotation, as long as the requester is informed that there will be a fee charged.

(4) No pharmacy shall be required to respond to more than three requests as described in this subdivision from any one person or entity in a six-month period.

(d) This section shall not apply to a pharmacy that is located in a licensed hospital and that is accessible only to hospital medical staff and personnel.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, no pharmacy shall be required to do any of the following:

(1) Provide the price of any controlled substance in response to a telephone request.

(2) Respond to a request from a competitor.

(3) Respond to a request from an out-of-state requester.

SEC. 12. Section 4162.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4162.5. (a) (1) An applicant for the issuance or renewal of a nonresident wholesaler license shall submit a surety bond of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000), or other equivalent means of security acceptable to the board, such as an irrevocable letter of credit, or a deposit in a trust account or financial institution, payable to the Pharmacy Board Contingent Fund. The purpose of the surety bond is to secure payment of any administrative fine imposed by the board and any cost recovery ordered pursuant to Section 125.3.

(2) For purpose of paragraph (1), the board may accept a surety bond less than one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) if the annual gross receipts of the previous tax year for the nonresident wholesaler is ten million dollars ($10,000,000) or less in which the surety bond shall be twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000).

(3) For applicants who satisfy paragraph (2), the board may require a bond up to one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) for any nonresident wholesaler who has been disciplined by any state or federal agency or has been issued an administrative fine pursuant to this chapter.

(4) A person to whom an approved new drug application or a biologics license application has been issued by the United States Food and Drug Administration who engages in the wholesale distribution of only the dangerous drug specified in the new drug application or biologics license application, and is licensed or applies for licensure as a nonresident wholesaler, shall not be required to post a surety bond as provided in this section.

(b) The board may make a claim against the bond if the licensee fails to pay a fine within 30 days of the issuance of the fine or when the costs become final.

(c) A single surety bond or other equivalent means of security acceptable to the board shall satisfy the requirement of subdivision (a) for all licensed sites under common control as defined in Section 4126.5.

(d) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2006, and shall become inoperative and is repealed on January 1, 2011, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2011, deletes or extends those dates.

SEC. 13. Section 4181 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4181. (a) Prior to the issuance of a clinic license authorized under Section 4180, the clinic shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations of the State Department of Health Services relating to the drug distribution service to ensure that inventories, security procedures, training, protocol development, recordkeeping, packaging, labeling, dispensing, and patient consultation occur in a manner that is consistent with the promotion and protection of the health and safety of the public. The policies and procedures to implement the laws and regulations shall be developed and approved by the consulting pharmacist, the professional director, and the clinic administrator.

(b) The dispensing of drugs in a clinic shall be performed only by a physician, a pharmacist, or other person lawfully authorized to dispense drugs, and only in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

SEC. 14. Section 4191 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4191. (a) Prior to the issuance of a clinic license authorized under this article, the clinic shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations of the State Department of Health Services and the board relating to drug distribution to ensure that inventories, security procedures, training, protocol development, recordkeeping, packaging, labeling, dispensing, and patient consultation are carried out in a manner that is consistent with the promotion and protection of the health and safety of the public. The policies and procedures to implement the laws and regulations shall be developed and approved by the consulting pharmacist, the professional director, and the clinic administrator.

(b) The dispensing of drugs in a clinic that has received a license under this article shall be performed only by a physician, a pharmacist, or other person lawfully authorized to dispense drugs, and only in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

SEC. 15. Section 4989.54 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4989.54. The board may deny a license or may suspend or revoke the license of a licensee if he or she has been guilty of unprofessional conduct. Unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

(a) Conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of an educational psychologist.

(1) The record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence only of the fact that the conviction occurred.

(2) The board may inquire into the circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime in order to fix the degree of discipline or to determine if the conviction is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a licensee under this chapter.

(3) A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere made to a charge substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a licensee under this chapter shall be deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this section.

(4) The board may order a license suspended or revoked, or may decline to issue a license when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing the person to withdraw a plea of guilty and enter a plea of not guilty or setting aside the verdict of guilty or dismissing the accusation, information, or indictment.

(b) Securing a license by fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation on an application for licensure submitted to the board, whether engaged in by an applicant for a license or by a licensee in support of an application for licensure.

(c) Administering to himself or herself a controlled substance or using any of the dangerous drugs specified in Section 4022 or an alcoholic beverage to the extent, or in a manner, as to be dangerous or injurious to himself or herself or to any other person or to the public or to the extent that the use impairs his or her ability to safely perform the functions authorized by the license.

(d) Conviction of more than one misdemeanor or any felony involving the use, consumption, or self-administration of any of the substances referred to in subdivision (c) or any combination thereof.

(e) Advertising in a manner that is false, misleading, or deceptive.

(f) Violating, attempting to violate, or conspiring to violate any of the provisions of this chapter or any regulation adopted by the board.

(g) Commission of any dishonest, corrupt, or fraudulent act substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a licensee.

(h) Denial of licensure, revocation, suspension, restriction, or any other disciplinary action imposed by another state or territory or possession of the United States or by any other governmental agency, on a license, certificate, or registration to practice educational psychology or any other healing art. A certified copy of the disciplinary action, decision, or judgment shall be conclusive evidence of that action.

(i) Revocation, suspension, or restriction by the board of a license, certificate, or registration to practice as a clinical social worker or marriage and family therapist.

(j) Failure to keep records consistent with sound clinical judgment, the standards of the profession, and the nature of the services being rendered.

(k) Gross negligence or incompetence in the practice of educational psychology.

(*l*) Misrepresentation as to the type or status of a license held by the licensee or otherwise misrepresenting or permitting misrepresentation of his or her education, professional qualifications, or professional affiliations to any person or entity.

(m) Intentionally or recklessly causing physical or emotional harm to any client.

(n) Engaging in sexual relations with a client or a former client within two years following termination of professional services, soliciting sexual relations with a client, or committing an act of sexual abuse or sexual misconduct with a client or committing an act punishable as a sexually related crime, if that act or solicitation is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a licensed educational psychologist.

(o) Prior to the commencement of treatment, failing to disclose to the client or prospective client the fee to be charged for the professional services or the basis upon which that fee will be computed.

(p) Paying, accepting, or soliciting any consideration, compensation, or remuneration, whether monetary or otherwise, for the referral of professional clients.

(q) Failing to maintain confidentiality, except as otherwise required or permitted by law, of all information that has been received from a client in confidence during the course of treatment and all information about the client that is obtained from tests or other means.

(r) Performing, holding himself or herself out as being able to perform, or offering to perform any professional services beyond the scope of the license authorized by this chapter or beyond his or her field or fields of competence as established by his or her education, training, or experience.

(s) Reproducing or describing in public, or in any publication subject to general public distribution, any psychological test or other assessment device the value of which depends in whole or in part on the naivete of the subject in ways that might invalidate the test or device. An educational psychologist shall limit access to the test or device to persons with professional interests who can be expected to safeguard its use.

(t) Aiding or abetting an unlicensed person to engage in conduct requiring a license under this chapter.

(u) When employed by another person or agency, encouraging, either orally or in writing, the employer's or agency's clientele to utilize his or her private practice for further counseling without the approval of the employing agency or administration.

(v) Failing to comply with the child abuse reporting requirements of Section 11166 of the Penal Code.

(w) Failing to comply with the elder and adult dependent abuse reporting requirements of Section 15630 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

SEC. 16. Section 4989.70 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4989.70. The board shall report each month to the Controller the amount and source of all revenue received pursuant to this chapter and at the same time pay the entire amount thereof into the State Treasury for credit to the Behavioral Sciences Fund.

SEC. 17. Section 4996.17 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

4996.17. (a) Experience gained outside of California shall be accepted toward the licensure requirements if it is substantially the equivalent of the requirements of this chapter.

(b) The board may issue a license to any person who, at the time of application, has held a valid active clinical social work license issued by a board of clinical social work examiners or corresponding authority of any state, if the person passes the board administered licensing examinations as specified in Section 4996.1 and pays the required fees. Issuance of the license is conditioned upon all of the following:

(1) The applicant has supervised experience that is substantially the equivalent of that required by this chapter. If the applicant has less than 3,200 hours of qualifying supervised experience, time actively licensed as a clinical social worker shall be accepted at a rate of 100 hours per month up to a maximum of 1,200 hours.

(2) Completion of the following coursework or training in or out of this state:

(A) A minimum of seven contact hours of training or coursework in child abuse assessment and reporting as specified in Section 28, and any regulations promulgated thereunder.

(B) A minimum of 10 contact hours of training or coursework in human sexuality as specified in Section 25, and any regulations promulgated thereunder.

(C) A minimum of 15 contact hours of training or coursework in alcoholism and other chemical substance dependency, as specified by regulation.

(D) A minimum of 15 contact hours of coursework or training in spousal or partner abuse assessment, detection, and intervention strategies.

(3) The applicant's license is not suspended, revoked, restricted, sanctioned, or voluntarily surrendered in any state.

(4) The applicant is not currently under investigation in any other state, and has not been charged with an offense for any act substantially related to the practice of social work by any public agency, entered into any consent agreement or been subject to an administrative decision that contains conditions placed by an agency upon an applicant's professional conduct or practice, including any voluntary surrender of license, or been the subject of an adverse judgment resulting from the practice of social work

that the board determines constitutes evidence of a pattern of incompetence or negligence.

(5) The applicant shall provide a certification from each state where he or she holds a license pertaining to licensure, disciplinary action, and complaints pending.

(6) The applicant is not subject to denial of licensure under Section 480, 4992.3, 4992.35, or 4992.36.

(c) The board may issue a license to any person who, at the time of application, has held a valid, active clinical social work license for a minimum of four years, issued by a board of clinical social work examiners or a corresponding authority of any state, if the person passes the board administered licensing examinations as specified in Section 4996.1 and pays the required fees. Issuance of the license is conditioned upon all of the following:

(1) Completion of the following coursework or training in or out of state:

(A) A minimum of seven contact hours of training or coursework in child abuse assessment and reporting as specified in Section 28, and any regulations promulgated thereunder.

(B) A minimum of 10 contact hours of training or coursework in human sexuality as specified in Section 25, and any regulations promulgated thereunder.

(C) A minimum of 15 contact hours of training or coursework in alcoholism and other chemical substance dependency, as specified by regulation.

(D) A minimum of 15 contact hours of coursework or training in spousal or partner abuse assessment, detection, and intervention strategies.

(2) The applicant has been licensed as a clinical social worker continuously for a minimum of four years prior to the date of application.

(3) The applicant's license is not suspended, revoked, restricted, sanctioned, or voluntarily surrendered in any state.

(4) The applicant is not currently under investigation in any other state, and has not been charged with an offense for any act substantially related to the practice of social work by any public agency, entered into any consent agreement or been subject to an administrative decision that contains conditions placed by an agency upon an applicant's professional conduct or practice, including any voluntary surrender of license, or been the subject

of an adverse judgment resulting from the practice of social work that the board determines constitutes evidence of a pattern of incompetence or negligence.

(5) The applicant provides a certification from each state where he or she holds a license pertaining to licensure, disciplinary action, and complaints pending.

(6) The applicant is not subject to denial of licensure under Section 480, 4992.3, 4992.35, or 4992.36.

SEC. 18. Section 5050.2 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

5050.2. (a) The board may revoke, suspend, issue a fine pursuant to Article 6.5 (commencing with Section 5116), or otherwise restrict or discipline the holder of an authorization to practice under subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 5050, subdivision (a) of Section 5054, or Section 5096.12 for any act that would be a violation of this code or grounds for discipline against a licensee or holder of a practice privilege, or grounds for denial of a license or practice privilege under this code. The provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, including, but not limited to, the commencement of a disciplinary proceeding by the filing of an accusation by the board shall apply to this section. Any person whose authorization to practice under subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 5050, subdivision (a) of Section 5054, or Section 5096.12 has been revoked may apply for reinstatement of the authorization to practice under subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 5050, subdivision (b) of Section 5054, or Section 5096.12 not less than one year after the effective date of the board's decision revoking the authorization to practice unless a longer time, not to exceed three years, is specified in the board's decision revoking the authorization to practice.

(b) The board may administratively suspend the authorization of any person to practice under subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 5050, subdivision (a) of Section 5054, or Section 5096.12 for any act that would be grounds for administrative suspension under Section 5096.4 utilizing the procedures set forth in that section.

SEC. 19. Section 6002.1 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6002.1. (a) A member of the State Bar shall maintain all of the following on the official membership records of the State Bar:

(1) The member's current office address and telephone number or, if no office is maintained, the address to be used for State Bar purposes or purposes of the agency charged with attorney discipline.

(2) All specialties in which the member is certified.

(3) Any other jurisdictions in which the member is admitted and the dates of his or her admission.

(4) The jurisdiction, and the nature and date of any discipline imposed by another jurisdiction, including the terms and conditions of any probation imposed, and, if suspended or disbarred in another jurisdiction, the date of any reinstatement in that jurisdiction.

(5) Any other information as may be required by agreement with or by conditions of probation imposed by the agency charged with attorney discipline.

A member shall notify the membership records office of the State Bar of any change in the information required by paragraphs (1), (4), and (5) within 30 days of the change and of any change in the information required by paragraphs (2) and (3) on or before the first day of February of each year.

(b) Every former member of the State Bar who has been ordered by the Supreme Court to comply with Rule 9.20 of the California Rules of Court shall maintain on the official membership records of the State Bar the former member's current address and, within 10 days after any change therein, shall file a change of address with the membership records office of the State Bar until the former member is no longer subject to the order.

(c) The notice initiating a proceeding conducted under this chapter may be served upon the member or former member of the State Bar to whom it is directed by certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the member or former member at the latest address shown on the official membership records of the State Bar. The service is complete at the time of the mailing but any prescribed period of notice and any right or duty to do any act or make any response within any prescribed period or on a date certain after the notice is served by mail shall be extended five days if the place of address is within the State of California, 10 days if the place of address is outside the State of California but within the United States, and 20 days if the place of address is outside the United States. A member of the State Bar or former member may waive the requirements of this subdivision and may, with the

written consent of another member of the State Bar, designate that other member to receive service of any notice or papers in any proceeding conducted under this chapter.

(d) The State Bar shall not make available to the general public the information specified in paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) unless that information is required to be made available by a condition of probation. That information is, however, available to the State Bar, the Supreme Court, or the agency charged with attorney discipline.

(e) The State Bar may develop a prescribed form for the making of reports required by this section, usage of which it may require by rule or regulation.

SEC. 20. Section 6061 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6061. Any law school that is not accredited by the examining committee of the State Bar shall provide every student with a disclosure statement, subsequent to the payment of any application fee but prior to the payment of any registration fee, containing all of the following information:

(a) The school is not accredited. However, in addition, if the school has been approved by other agencies, that fact may be so stated.

(b) Where the school has not been in operation for 10 years, the assets and liabilities of the school. However, if the school has had prior affiliation with another school that has been in operation more than 10 years, has been under the control of another school that has been in operation more than 10 years, or has been a successor to a school in operation more than 10 years, this subdivision is not applicable.

(c) The number and percentage of students who have taken and who have passed the first-year law student's examination and the final bar examination in the previous five years, or since the establishment of the school, whichever time is less, which shall include only those students who have been certified by the school to take the examinations.

(d) The number of legal volumes in the library. This subdivision does not apply to correspondence schools.

(e) The educational background, qualifications, and experience of the faculty, and whether or not the faculty members and

administrators (e.g., the dean) are members of the California State Bar.

(f) The ratio of faculty to students for the previous five years or since the establishment of the school, whichever time is less.

(g) Whether or not the school has applied for accreditation, and, if so, the date of application and whether or not that application has been withdrawn, is currently pending, or has been finally denied. The school need only disclose information relating to applications made in the previous five years.

(h) That the education provided by the school may not satisfy the requirements of other states for the practice of law. Applicants should inquire regarding those requirements, if any, to the state in which they may wish to practice.

The disclosure statement required by this section shall be signed by each student, who shall receive as a receipt a copy of his or her signed disclosure statement. If any school does not comply with these requirements, it shall make a full refund of all fees paid by students.

Subject to approval by the board, the examining committee may adopt reasonable rules and regulations as are necessary for the purpose of ensuring compliance with this section.

SEC. 21. Section 6071 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6071. (a) The State Bar shall request the California Supreme Court to amend Rule 9.31 of the California Rules of Court, relating to the mandatory continuing education program, to provide that one hour of the mandatory eight hours of legal education activities in legal ethics or law practice management, instead, may be satisfied by one hour of legal education activity in the civil and criminal remedies available for civil rights violations.

(b) This section shall not affect the requirement that all active members of the State Bar complete at least four hours of legal education activity in ethics within designated 36-month periods.

SEC. 22. Section 6079.1 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6079.1. (a) The Supreme Court shall appoint a presiding judge of the State Bar Court. In addition, five hearing judges shall be appointed, two by the Supreme Court, one by the Governor, one by the Senate Committee on Rules, and one by the Speaker of the Assembly, to efficiently decide any and all regulatory matters

pending before the Hearing Department of the State Bar Court. The presiding judge and all other judges of that department shall be appointed for a term of six years and may be reappointed for additional six-year terms. Any judge appointed under this section shall be subject to admonition, censure, removal, or retirement by the Supreme Court upon the same grounds as provided for judges of courts of record of this state.

(b) Judges of the State Bar Court appointed under this section shall not engage in the private practice of law. The State Bar Court shall be broadly representative of the ethnic, sexual, and racial diversity of the population of California and composed in accordance with Sections 11140 and 11141 of the Government Code. Each judge:

(1) Shall have been a member of the State Bar for at least five years.

(2) Shall not have any record of the imposition of discipline as an attorney in California or any other jurisdiction.

(3) Shall meet any other requirements as may be established by subdivision (d) of Section 12011.5 of the Government Code.

(c) Applicants for appointment or reappointment as a State Bar Court judge shall be screened by an applicant evaluation committee as directed by the Supreme Court. The committee, appointed by the Supreme Court, shall submit evaluations and recommendations to the appointing authority and the Supreme Court as provided in Rule 9.11 of the California Rules of Court, or as otherwise directed by the Supreme Court. The committee shall submit no fewer than three recommendations for each available position.

(d) For judges appointed pursuant to this section or Section 6086.65, the board shall fix and pay reasonable compensation and expenses and provide adequate supporting staff and facilities. Hearing judges shall be paid 91.3225 percent of the salary of a superior court judge. The presiding judge shall be paid the same salary as a superior court judge.

(e) From among the members of the State Bar or retired judges, the Supreme Court or the board may appoint pro tempore judges to decide matters in the Hearing Department of the State Bar Court when a judge of the State Bar Court is unavailable to serve without undue delay to the proceeding. Subject to modification by the Supreme Court, the board may set the qualifications, terms, and conditions of service for pro tempore judges and may, in its

discretion, compensate some or all of them out of funds appropriated by the board for this purpose.

(f) A judge or pro tempore judge appointed under this section shall hear every regulatory matter pending in the Hearing Department of the State Bar Court as to which the taking of testimony or offering of evidence at trial has not commenced, and when so assigned, shall sit as the sole adjudicator, except for rulings that are to be made by the presiding judge of the State Bar Court or referees of other departments of the State Bar Court.

(g) Any judge or pro tempore judge of the State Bar Court as well as any employee of the State Bar assigned to the State Bar Court shall have the same immunity that attaches to judges in judicial proceedings in this state. Nothing in this subdivision limits or alters the immunities accorded the State Bar, its officers and employees, or any judge or referee of the State Bar Court as they existed prior to January 1, 1989. This subdivision does not constitute a change in, but is cumulative with, existing law.

(h) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the board from appointing persons to serve without compensation to arbitrate fee disputes under Article 13 (commencing with Section 6200) or to monitor the probation of a member of the State Bar, whether those appointed under Section 6079, as added by Chapter 1114 of the Statutes of 1986, serve in the State Bar Court or otherwise.

SEC. 23. Section 6086.65 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6086.65. (a) There is a Review Department of the State Bar Court, that consists of the Presiding Judge of the State Bar Court and two Review Department judges appointed by the Supreme Court. The judges of the Review Department shall be nominated, appointed, and subject to discipline as provided by subdivision (a) of Section 6079.1, shall be qualified as provided by subdivision (b) of Section 6079.1, and shall be compensated as provided for the presiding judge by subdivision (d) of Section 6079.1. However, the two Review Department judges may be appointed to, and paid as, positions occupying one-half the time and pay of the presiding judge. Candidates shall be rated and screened pursuant to Rule 9.11 of the California Rules of Court or as otherwise directed by the Supreme Court.

(b) The Presiding Judge of the State Bar Court shall appoint an Executive Committee of the State Bar Court of no fewer than seven persons, including one person who has never been a member of the State Bar or admitted to practice law before any court in the United States. The Executive Committee may adopt rules of practice for the operation of the State Bar Court as provided in Section 6086.5.

(c) Any decision or order reviewable by the Review Department and issued by a judge of the State Bar Court appointed pursuant to Section 6079.1 may be reviewed only upon timely request of a party to the proceeding and not on the Review Department's own motion. The standard to be applied by the Review Department in reviewing a decision, order, or ruling by a hearing judge fully disposing of a proceeding is established in Rule 9.12 of the California Rules of Court, or as otherwise directed by the Supreme Court.

SEC. 24. Section 6126 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6126. (a) Any person advertising or holding himself or herself out as practicing or entitled to practice law or otherwise practicing law who is not an active member of the State Bar, or otherwise authorized pursuant to statute or court rule to practice law in this state at the time of doing so, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in a county jail or by a fine of up to one thousand dollars ($1,000), or by both that fine and imprisonment. Upon a second or subsequent conviction, the person shall be confined in a county jail for not less than 90 days, except in an unusual case where the interests of justice would be served by imposition of a lesser sentence or a fine. If the court imposes only a fine or a sentence of less than 90 days for a second or subsequent conviction under this subdivision, the court shall state the reasons for its sentencing choice on the record.

(b) Any person who has been involuntarily enrolled as an inactive member of the State Bar, or has been suspended from membership from the State Bar, or has been disbarred, or has resigned from the State Bar with charges pending, and thereafter practices or attempts to practice law, advertises or holds himself or herself out as practicing or otherwise entitled to practice law, is guilty of a crime punishable by imprisonment in the state prison or a county jail. However, any person who has been involuntarily

enrolled as an inactive member of the State Bar pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (e) of Section 6007 and who knowingly thereafter practices or attempts to practice law, or advertises or holds himself or herself out as practicing or otherwise entitled to practice law, is guilty of a crime punishable by imprisonment in the state prison or a county jail.

(c) The willful failure of a member of the State Bar, or one who has resigned or been disbarred, to comply with an order of the Supreme Court to comply with Rule 9.20 of the California Rules of Court, constitutes a crime punishable by imprisonment in the state prison or a county jail.

(d) The penalties provided in this section are cumulative to each other and to any other remedies or penalties provided by law.

SEC. 25. Section 6145 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6145. (a) The board shall engage the services of an independent national or regional public accounting firm with at least five years of experience in governmental auditing for an audit of its financial statement for each fiscal year. The financial statement shall be promptly certified under oath by the Treasurer of the State Bar, and a copy of the audit and financial statement shall be submitted within 120 days of the close of the fiscal year to the board, to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and to the Assembly and Senate Committees on Judiciary.

The audit shall examine the receipts and expenditures of the State Bar and the State Bar sections to ensure that the receipts of the sections are being applied, and their expenditures are being made, in compliance with subdivision (a) of Section 6031.5, and that the receipts of the sections are applied only to the work of the sections.

The audit also shall examine the receipts and expenditures of the State Bar to ensure that the funds collected on behalf of the Conference of Delegates of California Bar Associations as the independent successor entity to the former Conference of Delegates of the State Bar are conveyed to that entity, that the State Bar has been paid or reimbursed for the full cost of any administrative and support services provided to the successor entity, including the collection of fees or donations on its behalf, and that no mandatory dues are being used to fund the activities of the successor entity.

In selecting the accounting firm, the board shall consider the value of continuity, along with the risk that continued long-term engagements of an accounting firm may affect the independence of that firm.

(b) The board shall contract with the Bureau of State Audits to conduct a performance audit of the State Bar's operations from July 1, 2000, to December 31, 2000, inclusive. A copy of the performance audit shall be submitted by May 1, 2001, to the board, to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and to the Assembly and Senate Committees on Judiciary.

Every two years thereafter, the board shall contract with the Bureau of State Audits to conduct a performance audit of the State Bar's operations for the respective fiscal year, commencing with January 1, 2002, to December 31, 2002, inclusive. A copy of the performance audit shall be submitted within 120 days of the close of the fiscal year for which the audit was performed to the board, to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and to the Assembly and Senate Committees on Judiciary.

For the purposes of this subdivision, the Bureau of State Audits may contract with a third party to conduct the performance audit. This subdivision is not intended to reduce the number of audits the Bureau of State Audits may otherwise be able to conduct.

SEC. 26. Section 6321 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6321. (a) On and after January 1, 2006, as described in Section 68085.1 of the Government Code, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall make monthly distributions from superior court filing fees to the law library fund in each county in the amounts described in this section and Section 6322.1. From each first paper filing fee as provided under Section 70611, 70612, 70613, 70614, or 70670 of the Government Code, each first paper or petition filing fee in a probate matter as provided under Section 70650, 70651, 70652, 70653, 70654, 70655, 70656, or 70658 of the Government Code, Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code, or Section 7660 of the Probate Code, each filing fee for a small claims or limited civil case appeal as provided under Section 116.760 of the Code of Civil Procedure or Section 70621 of the Government Code, and each vehicle forfeiture petition fee as provided under subdivision (e) of Section 14607.6 of the Vehicle Code, that is collected in each of the following counties, the amount

indicated in this subdivision shall be paid to the law library fund in that county:

Jurisdiction	Amount
Alameda	$31.00
Alpine	4.00
Amador	20.00
Butte	29.00
Calaveras	26.00
Colusa	17.00
Contra Costa	29.00
Del Norte	20.00
El Dorado	26.00
Fresno	31.00
Glenn	20.00
Humboldt	40.00
Imperial	20.00
Inyo	20.00
Kern	21.00
Kings	23.00
Lake	23.00
Lassen	25.00
Los Angeles	18.00
Madera	26.00
Marin	32.00
Mariposa	27.00
Mendocino	26.00
Merced	23.00
Modoc	20.00
Mono	20.00
Monterey	25.00
Napa	20.00
Nevada	23.00
Orange	29.00
Placer	29.00
Plumas	20.00
Riverside	26.00
Sacramento	44.00
San Benito	20.00
San Bernardino	23.00

San Diego	35.00
San Francisco	36.00
San Joaquin	23.00
San Luis Obispo	31.00
San Mateo	32.50
Santa Barbara	35.00
Santa Clara	26.00
Santa Cruz	29.00
Shasta	20.00
Sierra	20.00
Siskiyou	26.00
Solano	26.00
Sonoma	29.00
Stanislaus	18.00
Sutter	7.00
Tehama	20.00
Trinity	20.00
Tulare	29.00
Tuolumne	20.00
Ventura	26.00
Yolo	29.00
Yuba	7.00

(b) If a board of supervisors in any county acted before January 1, 2006, to increase the law library fee in that county effective January 1, 2006, the amount distributed to the law library fund in that county under subdivision (a) shall be increased by the amount that the board of supervisors acted to increase the fee, up to three dollars ($3). Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 6322.1, as it read on January 1, 2005, the maximum increase permitted under this subdivision in Los Angeles County is three dollars ($3), rather than two dollars ($2).

SEC. 27. Section 6501 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6501. As used in this chapter, the following terms have the following meanings:

(a) “Act” means this chapter.

(b) “Bureau” means the Professional Fiduciaries Bureau within the Department of Consumer Affairs, established pursuant to Section 6510.

(c) "Client" means an individual who is served by a professional fiduciary.

(d) "Department" means the Department of Consumer Affairs.

(e) "Licensee" means a person who is licensed under this chapter as a professional fiduciary.

(f) "Professional fiduciary" means a person who acts as a conservator or guardian for two or more persons at the same time who are not related to the professional fiduciary or to each other by blood, adoption, marriage, or registered domestic partnership. "Professional fiduciary" also means a person who acts as a trustee, agent under a durable power of attorney for health care, or agent under a durable power of attorney for finances, for more than three people or more than three families, or a combination of people and families that totals more than three, at the same time, who are not related to the professional fiduciary by blood, adoption, marriage, or registered domestic partnership. "Professional fiduciary" does not include any of the following:

(1) A trust company, as defined in Section 83 of the Probate Code.

(2) An FDIC-insured institution, or its holding companies, subsidiaries, or affiliates. For the purposes of this paragraph, "affiliate" means any entity that shares an ownership interest with, or that is under the common control of, the FDIC-insured institution.

(3) A person employed by an entity described in paragraph (1) or (2) who is acting in the course and scope of that employment.

(4) Any public officer or public agency, including the public guardian, public conservator, or other agency of the State of California or of a county of California, when that public officer or public agency is acting in the course and scope of official duties, or any regional center for persons with developmental disabilities, as defined in Section 4620 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(5) Any person whose sole activity as a professional fiduciary is as a broker-dealer, broker-dealer agent, investment adviser representative registered and regulated under the Corporate Securities Law of 1968 (Division 1 (commencing with Section 25000) of Title 4 of the Corporations Code), the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Sec. 80b-1 et seq.), or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. Sec. 78a et seq.), or involves serving as a trustee to a company regulated by the

Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Sec. 80a-1 et seq.).

(g) "Committee" means the Professional Fiduciaries Advisory Committee, as established pursuant to Section 6511.

SEC. 28. Section 7017.3 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7017.3. The Contractors' State License Board shall report annually to the Legislature, not later than October 1 of each year, the following statistical information for the prior fiscal year. The following data shall be reported on complaints filed with the board against licensed contractors, registered home improvement salespersons, and unlicensed persons acting as licensees or registrants:

(a) The number of complaints received by the board categorized by source, such as public, trade, profession, government agency, or board-initiated, and by type of complaint, such as licensee or nonlicensee.

(b) The number of complaints closed prior to referral for field investigation, categorized by the reason for the closure, such as settled, referred for mandatory arbitration, or referred for voluntary arbitration.

(c) The number of complaints referred for field investigation categorized by the type of complaint, such as licensee or nonlicensee.

(d) The number of complaints closed after referral for field investigation categorized by the reason for the closure, such as settled, referred for mandatory arbitration, or referred for voluntary arbitration.

(e) For the board's Intake/Mediation Center and the board's Investigation Center closures, respectively, the total number of complaints closed prior to a field investigation per consumer services representative, and the total number of complaints closed after referral for a field investigation per enforcement representative. Additionally, the board shall report the total number of complaints closed by other board staff during the year.

(f) The number of complaints pending at the end of the fiscal year grouped in 90-day increments, and the percentage of total complaints pending, represented by the number of complaints in each grouping.

(g) The number of citations issued to licensees categorized by the type of citation such as order of correction only or order of correction and fine, and the number of citations issued to licensees that were vacated or withdrawn.

(h) The number of citations issued to nonlicensees and the number of these citations that were vacated or withdrawn.

(i) The number of complaints referred to a local prosecutor for criminal investigation or prosecution, the number of complaints referred to the Attorney General for the filing of an accusation, and the number of complaints referred to both a local prosecutor and the Attorney General, categorized by type of complaint, such as licensee and nonlicensee.

(j) Actions taken by the board, including, but not limited to, the following:

(1) The number of disciplinary actions categorized by type, such as revocations or suspensions, categorized by whether the disciplinary action resulted from an accusation, failure to comply with a citation, or failure to comply with an arbitration award.

(2) The number of accusations dismissed or withdrawn.

(k) For subdivisions (g) and (j), the number of cases containing violations of Sections 7121 and 7121.5, and paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) of Section 7159.5, categorized by section.

(*l*) The number of interim suspension orders sought, the number of interim suspension orders granted, the number of temporary restraining orders sought, and the number of temporary restraining orders granted.

(m) The amount of cost recovery ordered and the amount collected.

(n) Case aging data, including data for each major stage of the enforcement process, including the following:

(1) The average number of days from the filing of a complaint to its closure by the board's Intake/Mediation Center prior to the referral for an investigation categorized by the type of complaint, such as licensee or nonlicensee.

(2) The average number of days from the referral of a complaint for an investigation to its closure by the Investigation Center categorized by the type of complaint, such as licensee or nonlicensee.

(3) The average number of days from the filing of a complaint to the referral of the completed investigation to the Attorney General.

(4) The average number of days from the referral of a completed investigation to the Attorney General to the filing of an accusation by the Attorney General.

(5) The average number of days from the filing of an accusation to the first hearing date or date of a stipulated settlement.

(6) The average number of days from the receipt of the Administrative Law Judge's proposed decision to the registrar's final decision.

SEC. 29. Section 7145.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7145.5. (a) The registrar may refuse to issue, reinstate, reactivate, or renew a license or may suspend a license for the failure of a licensee to resolve all outstanding final liabilities, which include taxes, additions to tax, penalties, interest, and any fees that may be assessed by the board, the Department of Industrial Relations, the Employment Development Department, or the Franchise Tax Board.

(1) Until the debts covered by this section are satisfied, the qualifying person and any other personnel of record named on a license that has been suspended under this section shall be prohibited from serving in any capacity that is subject to licensure under this chapter, but shall be permitted to act in the capacity of a nonsupervising bona fide employee.

(2) The license of any other renewable licensed entity with any of the same personnel of record that have been assessed an outstanding liability covered by this section shall be suspended until the debt has been satisfied or until the same personnel of record disassociate themselves from the renewable licensed entity.

(b) The refusal to issue a license or the suspension of a license as provided by this section shall be applicable only if the registrar has mailed a notice preliminary to the refusal or suspension that indicates that the license will be refused or suspended by a date certain. This preliminary notice shall be mailed to the licensee at least 60 days before the date certain.

(c) In the case of outstanding final liabilities assessed by the Franchise Tax Board, this section shall be operative within 60 days after the Contractors' State License Board has provided the

Franchise Tax Board with the information required under Section 30, relating to licensing information that includes the federal employee identification number or social security number.

(d) All versions of the application for contractors' licenses shall include, as part of the application, an authorization by the applicant, in the form and manner mutually agreeable to the Franchise Tax Board and the board, for the Franchise Tax Board to disclose the tax information that is required for the registrar to administer this section. The Franchise Tax Board may from time to time audit these authorizations.

SEC. 30. Section 7159 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7159. (a) (1) This section identifies the projects for which a home improvement contract is required, outlines the contract requirements, and lists the items that shall be included in the contract, or may be provided as an attachment.

(2) This section does not apply to service and repair contracts that are subject to Section 7159.10, if the contract for the applicable services complies with Sections 7159.10 to 7159.14, inclusive.

(3) This section does not apply to the sale, installation, and servicing of a fire alarm sold in conjunction with an alarm system, as defined in subdivision (n) of Section 7590.1, if all costs attributable to making the fire alarm system operable, including sale and installation costs, do not exceed five hundred dollars ($500), and the licensee complies with the requirements set forth in Section 7159.9.

(4) This section does not apply to any costs associated with monitoring a burglar or fire alarm system.

(5) Failure by the licensee, his or her agent or salesperson, or by a person subject to be licensed under this chapter, to provide the specified information, notices, and disclosures in the contract, or to otherwise fail to comply with any provision of this section, is cause for discipline.

(b) For purposes of this section, "home improvement contract" means an agreement, whether oral or written, or contained in one or more documents, between a contractor and an owner or between a contractor and a tenant, regardless of the number of residence or dwelling units contained in the building in which the tenant resides, if the work is to be performed in, to, or upon the residence or dwelling unit of the tenant, for the performance of a home

improvement, as defined in Section 7151, and includes all labor, services, and materials to be furnished and performed thereunder, if the aggregate contract price specified in one or more improvement contracts, including all labor, services, and materials to be furnished by the contractor, exceeds five hundred dollars ($500). “Home improvement contract” also means an agreement, whether oral or written, or contained in one or more documents, between a salesperson, whether or not he or she is a home improvement salesperson, and an owner or a tenant, regardless of the number of residence or dwelling units contained in the building in which the tenant resides, which provides for the sale, installation, or furnishing of home improvement goods or services.

(c) In addition to the specific requirements listed under this section, every home improvement contract and any person subject to licensure under this chapter or his or her agent or salesperson shall comply with all of the following:

(1) The writing shall be legible.

(2) Any printed form shall be readable. Unless a larger typeface is specified in this article, text in any printed form shall be in at least 10-point typeface and the headings shall be in at least 10-point boldface type.

(3) (A) Before any work is started, the contractor shall give the buyer a copy of the contract signed and dated by both the contractor and the buyer. The buyer’s receipt of the copy of the contract initiates the buyer’s rights to cancel the contract pursuant to Sections 1689.5 to 1689.14, inclusive, of the Civil Code.

(B) The contract shall contain on the first page, in a typeface no smaller than that generally used in the body of the document, both of the following:

(i) The date the buyer signed the contract.

(ii) The name and address of the contractor to which the applicable “Notice of Cancellation” is to be mailed, immediately preceded by a statement advising the buyer that the “Notice of Cancellation” may be sent to the contractor at the address noted on the contract.

(4) A statement that, upon satisfactory payment being made for any portion of the work performed, the contractor shall, prior to any further payment being made, furnish to the person contracting for the home improvement or swimming pool work a full and unconditional release from any claim or mechanic’s lien pursuant

to Section 3114 of the Civil Code for that portion of the work for which payment has been made.

(5) A change-order form for changes or extra work shall be incorporated into the contract and shall become part of the contract only if it is in writing and signed by the parties prior to the commencement of any work covered by a change order.

(6) The contract shall contain, in close proximity to the signatures of the owner and contractor, a notice stating that the owner or tenant has the right to require the contractor to have a performance and payment bond.

(7) If the contract provides for a contractor to furnish joint control, the contractor shall not have any financial or other interest in the joint control.

(8) The provisions of this section are not exclusive and do not relieve the contractor from compliance with any other applicable provision of law.

(d) A home improvement contract, and any changes to the contract, shall be in writing and signed by the parties to the contract prior to the commencement of any work covered by the contract or applicable change order, and shall include or comply with all of the following:

(1) The name, business address, and license number of the contractor.

(2) If applicable, the name and registration number of the home improvement salesperson that solicited or negotiated the contract.

(3) The following heading on the contract form that identifies the type of contract in at least 10-point boldface type: “Home Improvement.”

(4) The following statement in at least 12-point boldface type: “You are entitled to a completely filled in copy of this agreement, signed by both you and the contractor, before any work may be started.”

(5) The heading: “Contract Price,” followed by the amount of the contract in dollars and cents.

(6) If a finance charge will be charged, the heading: “Finance Charge,” followed by the amount in dollars and cents. The finance charge is to be set out separately from the contract amount.

(7) The heading: “Description of the Project and Description of the Significant Materials to be Used and Equipment to be Installed,” followed by a description of the project and a description

of the significant materials to be used and equipment to be installed. For swimming pools, the project description required under this paragraph also shall include a plan and scale drawing showing the shape, size, dimensions, and the construction and equipment specifications.

(8) If a downpayment will be charged, the details of the downpayment shall be expressed in substantially the following form, and shall include the text of the notice as specified in subparagraph (C):

(A) The heading: "Downpayment."

(B) A space where the actual downpayment appears.

(C) The following statement in at least 12-point boldface type:

"THE DOWNPAYMENT MAY NOT EXCEED $1,000 OR 10 PERCENT OF THE CONTRACT PRICE, WHICHEVER IS LESS."

(9) If any payments, other than the downpayment, are to be made before the project is completed, the details of these payments, known as progress payments, shall be expressed in substantially the following form, and shall include the text of the statement as specified in subparagraph (C):

(A) A schedule of progress payments shall be preceded by the heading: "Schedule of Progress Payments."

(B) Each progress payment shall be stated in dollars and cents and specifically reference the amount of work or services to be performed and any materials and equipment to be supplied.

(C) The section of the contract reserved for the progress payments shall include the following statement in at least 12-point boldface type:

"The schedule of progress payments must specifically describe each phase of work, including the type and amount of work or services scheduled to be supplied in each phase, along with the amount of each proposed progress payment. IT IS AGAINST THE LAW FOR A CONTRACTOR TO COLLECT PAYMENT FOR WORK NOT YET COMPLETED, OR FOR MATERIALS NOT YET DELIVERED. HOWEVER, A CONTRACTOR MAY REQUIRE A DOWNPAYMENT."

(10) The contract shall address the commencement of work to be performed in substantially the following form:

(A) A statement that describes what constitutes substantial commencement of work under the contract.

(B) The heading: "Approximate Start Date."

(C) The approximate date on which work will be commenced.

(11) The estimated completion date of the work shall be referenced in the contract in substantially the following form:

(A) The heading: "Approximate Completion Date."

(B) The approximate date of completion.

(12) If applicable, the heading: "List of Documents to be Incorporated into the Contract," followed by the list of documents incorporated into the contract.

(13) The heading: "Note about Extra Work and Change Orders," followed by the following statement:

"Extra Work and Change Orders become part of the contract once the order is prepared in writing and signed by the parties prior to the commencement of any work covered by the new change order. The order must describe the scope of the extra work or change, the cost to be added or subtracted from the contract, and the effect the order will have on the schedule of progress payments."

(e) All of the following notices shall be provided to the owner as part of the contract form as specified or, if otherwise authorized under this subdivision, may be provided as an attachment to the contract:

(1) A notice concerning commercial general liability insurance. This notice may be provided as an attachment to the contract if the contract includes the following statement: "A notice concerning commercial general liability insurance is attached to this contract." The notice shall include the heading "Commercial General Liability Insurance (CGL)," followed by whichever of the following statements is both relevant and correct:

(A) "(The name on the license or 'This contractor') does not carry commercial general liability insurance."

(B) "(The name on the license or 'This contractor') carries commercial general liability insurance written by (the insurance company). You may call (the insurance company) at _____ to check the contractor's insurance coverage."

(C) "(The name on the license or 'This contractor') is self-insured."

(2) A notice concerning workers' compensation insurance. This notice may be provided as an attachment to the contract if the contract includes the statement: "A notice concerning workers'

compensation insurance is attached to this contract." The notice shall include the heading "Workers' Compensation Insurance" followed by whichever of the following statements is correct:

(A) "(The name on the license or 'This contractor') has no employees and is exempt from workers' compensation requirements."

(B) "(The name on the license or 'This contractor') carries workers' compensation insurance for all employees."

(3) A notice that provides the buyer with the following information about the performance of extra or change-order work:

(A) A statement that the buyer may not require a contractor to perform extra or change-order work without providing written authorization prior to the commencement of any work covered by the new change order.

(B) A statement informing the buyer that extra work or a change order is not enforceable against a buyer unless the change order also identifies all of the following in writing prior to the commencement of any work covered by the new change order:

(i) The scope of work encompassed by the order.

(ii) The amount to be added or subtracted from the contract.

(iii) The effect the order will make in the progress payments or the completion date.

(C) A statement informing the buyer that the contractor's failure to comply with the requirements of this paragraph does not preclude the recovery of compensation for work performed based upon legal or equitable remedies designed to prevent unjust enrichment.

(4) A notice with the heading "Mechanics' Lien Warning" written as follows:

"MECHANICS' LIEN WARNING:

Anyone who helps improve your property, but who is not paid, may record what is called a mechanics' lien on your property. A mechanics' lien is a claim, like a mortgage or home equity loan, made against your property and recorded with the county recorder.

Even if you pay your contractor in full, unpaid subcontractors, suppliers, and laborers who helped to improve your property may record mechanics' liens and sue you in court to foreclose the lien. If a court finds the lien is valid, you could be forced to pay twice or have a court officer sell your home to pay the lien. Liens can also affect your credit.

To preserve their right to record a lien, each subcontractor and material supplier must provide you with a document called a '20-day Preliminary Notice.' This notice is not a lien. The purpose of the notice is to let you know that the person who sends you the notice has the right to record a lien on your property if he or she is not paid.

BE CAREFUL. The Preliminary Notice can be sent up to 20 days after the subcontractor starts work or the supplier provides material. This can be a big problem if you pay your contractor before you have received the Preliminary Notices.

You will not get Preliminary Notices from your prime contractor or from laborers who work on your project. The law assumes that you already know they are improving your property.

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM LIENS. You can protect yourself from liens by getting a list from your contractor of all the subcontractors and material suppliers that work on your project. Find out from your contractor when these subcontractors started work and when these suppliers delivered goods or materials. Then wait 20 days, paying attention to the Preliminary Notices you receive.

PAY WITH JOINT CHECKS. One way to protect yourself is to pay with a joint check. When your contractor tells you it is time to pay for the work of a subcontractor or supplier who has provided you with a Preliminary Notice, write a joint check payable to both the contractor and the subcontractor or material supplier.

For other ways to prevent liens, visit CSLB's Web site at www.cslb.ca.gov or call CSLB at 800-321-CSLB (2752).

REMEMBER, IF YOU DO NOTHING, YOU RISK HAVING A LIEN PLACED ON YOUR HOME. This can mean that you may have to pay twice, or face the forced sale of your home to pay what you owe."

(5) The following notice shall be provided in at least 12-point typeface: "Information about the Contractors' State License Board (CSLB): CSLB is the state consumer protection agency that licenses and regulates construction contractors.

Contact CSLB for information about the licensed contractor you are considering, including information about disclosable complaints, disciplinary actions, and civil judgments that are reported to CSLB.

Use only licensed contractors. If you file a complaint against a licensed contractor within the legal deadline (usually four years), CSLB has authority to investigate the complaint. If you use an unlicensed contractor, CSLB may not be able to help you resolve your complaint. Your only remedy may be in civil court, and you may be liable for damages arising out of any injuries to the unlicensed contractor or the unlicensed contractor's employees.

For more information:

Visit CSLB's Internet Web site at www.cslb.ca.gov

Call CSLB at 800-321-CSLB (2752)

Write CSLB at P.O. Box 26000, Sacramento, CA 95826."

(6) (A) The notice set forth in subparagraph (B) and entitled "Three-Day Right to Cancel," shall be provided to the buyer unless the contract is:

(i) Negotiated at the contractor's place of business.

(ii) Subject to the "Seven-Day Right to Cancel," as set forth in paragraph (8).

(iii) Subject to licensure under the Alarm Company Act (Chapter 11.6 (commencing with Section 7590)), provided the alarm company licensee complies with Sections 1689.5, 1689.6, and 1689.7 of the Civil Code, as applicable.

(B) "Three-Day Right to Cancel

"You, the buyer, have the right to cancel this contract within three business days. You may cancel by e-mailing, mailing, faxing, or delivering a written notice to the contractor at the contractor's place of business by midnight of the third business day after you received a signed and dated copy of the contract that includes this notice. Include your name, your address, and the date you received the signed copy of the contract and this notice.

If you cancel, the contractor must return to you anything you paid within 10 days of receiving the notice of cancellation. For your part, you must make available to the contractor at your residence, in substantially as good condition as you received it, any goods delivered to you under this contract or sale. Or, you may, if you wish, comply with the contractor's instructions on how to return the goods at the contractor's expense and risk. If you do make the goods available to the contractor and the contractor does not pick them up within 20 days of the date of your notice of cancellation, you may keep them without any further obligation. If you fail to make the goods available to the contractor,

or if you agree to return the goods to the contractor and fail to do so, then you remain liable for performance of all obligations under the contract."

(C) The "Three-Day Right to Cancel" notice required by this paragraph shall comply with all of the following:

(i) The text of the notice is at least 12-point boldface type.

(ii) The notice is in immediate proximity to a space reserved for the owner's signature.

(iii) The owner acknowledges receipt of the notice by signing and dating the notice form in the signature space.

(iv) The notice is written in the same language, e.g., Spanish, as that principally used in any oral sales presentation.

(v) The notice may be attached to the contract if the contract includes, in at least 12-point boldface type, a checkbox with the following statement: "The law requires that the contractor give you a notice explaining your right to cancel. Initial the checkbox if the contractor has given you a 'Notice of the Three-Day Right to Cancel.'"

(vi) The notice shall be accompanied by a completed form in duplicate, captioned "Notice of Cancellation," which shall also be attached to the agreement or offer to purchase and be easily detachable, and which shall contain the following statement written in the same language, e.g., Spanish, as used in the contract:

"Notice of Cancellation"

/enter date of transaction/

_____

(Date)

"You may cancel this transaction, without any penalty or obligation, within three business days from the above date.

If you cancel, any property traded in, any payments made by you under the contract or sale, and any negotiable instrument executed by you will be returned within 10 days following receipt by the seller of your cancellation notice, and any security interest arising out of the transaction will be canceled.

If you cancel, you must make available to the seller at your residence, in substantially as good condition as when received, any goods delivered to you under this contract or sale, or you may,

if you wish, comply with the instructions of the seller regarding the return shipment of the goods at the seller's expense and risk.

If you do make the goods available to the seller and the seller does not pick them up within 20 days of the date of your notice of cancellation, you may retain or dispose of the goods without any further obligation. If you fail to make the goods available to the seller, or if you agree to return the goods to the seller and fail to do so, then you remain liable for performance of all obligations under the contract."

To cancel this transaction, mail or deliver a signed and dated copy of this cancellation notice, or any other written notice, or send a telegram

to _____,

/name of seller/

at _____

/address of seller's place of business/

not later than midnight of _____.

(Date)

I hereby cancel this transaction. _____

(Date)

_____

(Buyer's signature)

(7) (A) The following notice entitled "Seven-Day Right to Cancel" shall be provided to the buyer for any contract that is written for the repair or restoration of residential premises damaged by any sudden or catastrophic event for which a state of emergency has been declared by the President of the United States or the Governor, or for which a local emergency has been declared by the executive officer or governing body of any city, county, or city and county:

"Seven-Day Right to Cancel

You, the buyer, have the right to cancel this contract within seven business days. You may cancel by e-mailing, mailing, faxing, or delivering a written notice to the contractor at the contractor's place of business by midnight of the seventh business day after you received a signed and dated copy of the contract that includes this notice. Include your name, your address, and the date you received the signed copy of the contract and this notice.

If you cancel, the contractor must return to you anything you paid within 10 days of receiving the notice of cancellation. For your part, you must make available to the contractor at your residence, in substantially as good condition as you received it, any goods delivered to you under this contract or sale. Or, you may, if you wish, comply with the contractor's instructions on how to return the goods at the contractor's expense and risk. If you do make the goods available to the contractor and the contractor does not pick them up within 20 days of the date of your notice of cancellation, you may keep them without any further obligation. If you fail to make the goods available to the contractor, or if you agree to return the goods to the contractor and fail to do so, then you remain liable for performance of all obligations under the contract."

(B) The "Seven-Day Right to Cancel" notice required by this subdivision shall comply with all of the following:

(i) The text of the notice is at least 12-point boldface type.

(ii) The notice is in immediate proximity to a space reserved for the owner's signature.

(iii) The owner acknowledges receipt of the notice by signing and dating the notice form in the signature space.

(iv) The notice is written in the same language, e.g., Spanish, as that principally used in any oral sales presentation.

(v) The notice may be attached to the contract if the contract includes, in at least 12-point boldface type, a checkbox with the following statement: "The law requires that the contractor give you a notice explaining your right to cancel. Initial the checkbox if the contractor has given you a 'Notice of the Seven-Day Right to Cancel.'"

(vi) The notice shall be accompanied by a completed form in duplicate, captioned "Notice of Cancellation," which shall also be attached to the agreement or offer to purchase and be easily detachable, and which shall contain the following statement written in the same language, e.g., Spanish, as used in the contract:

"Notice of Cancellation"

/enter date of transaction/

_____

(Date)

"You may cancel this transaction, without any penalty or obligation, within seven business days from the above date.

If you cancel, any property traded in, any payments made by you under the contract or sale, and any negotiable instrument executed by you will be returned within 10 days following receipt by the seller of your cancellation notice, and any security interest arising out of the transaction will be canceled.

If you cancel, you must make available to the seller at your residence, in substantially as good condition as when received, any goods delivered to you under this contract or sale, or you may, if you wish, comply with the instructions of the seller regarding the return shipment of the goods at the seller's expense and risk.

If you do make the goods available to the seller and the seller does not pick them up within 20 days of the date of your notice of cancellation, you may retain or dispose of the goods without any further obligation. If you fail to make the goods available to the seller, or if you agree to return the goods to the seller and fail to do so, then you remain liable for performance of all obligations under the contract."

To cancel this transaction, mail or deliver a signed and dated copy of this cancellation notice, or any other written notice, or send a telegram

to_____,

/name of seller/

at _____

/address of seller's place of business/

not later than midnight of_____.

(Date)

I hereby cancel this transaction. _____

(Date)

_____

(Buyer's signature)

SEC. 31. Section 7159.9 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7159.9. (a) Section 7159 does not apply to the sale, installation, and servicing of a fire alarm sold in conjunction with an alarm system, as defined in subdivision (n) of Section 7590.1 of the Alarm Company Act (Chapter 11.6 (commencing with Section 7590)), provided the licensee does all of the following:

(1) Complies with the contract requirements set forth in Section 7599.54.

(2) Complies with Sections 1689.5, 1689.6, and 1689.7 of the Civil Code, as applicable.

(3) Executes the following certification statement in the contract or in a separate certification document signed by all parties to the contract:

"All costs attributable to making the fire alarm system operable for the residence identified by this document, including sale and installation costs, do not exceed five hundred dollars ($500)."

(4) Certifies to the following if the certification statement described in paragraph (3) is in a separate document:

"I certify that all statements and representations made by me in this document are true and accurate."

(b) The contract or separate certification document shall also include both of the following:

(1) The physical address of the residence for which the certification is applicable.

(2) The name, business address, and license number of the contractor as contained in the official records of the board.

(c) The licensee shall give an exact copy of all documents required pursuant to this section to the party who is contracting to have the alarm system installed.

(d) All documents required pursuant to this section shall be retained by the licensee for a period of five years in accordance with the provisions of Section 7111, and shall be made available to the board within 30 days of a written request.

(e) Failure by the contractor to provide the board with the certification or contract within 30 days of a written request is cause for discipline.

(f) Failure by the licensee to provide the board with the certification or contract within 30 days of a written request creates a presumption that the licensee has violated the provisions of Section 7159, unless evidence to the contrary is presented within the timeframe specified by the board.

SEC. 32. Section 18711 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

18711. (a) (1) (A) The commission shall require, as a condition of licensure and as a part of the application process, the examination by a licensed physician and surgeon who specializes

in neurology and neurosurgery of each applicant for a license as a professional athlete or contestant licensed under this chapter or, if for the renewal of a license, this examination every year, in addition to any other medical examinations.

(i) Upon initial licensure, the examination shall include tests and examinations designed to detect physical conditions that could place the athlete or contestant at risk for serious injury or permanent or temporary impairment of any bodily function. These tests or examinations shall include, but not be limited to, a neurological examination or a neuro-psychological examination, a brain imaging scan, and an electrocardiogram (EKG). The physician may recommend any additional tests or evaluations he or she deems necessary.

(ii) For renewal of a license, the physician shall determine the tests or evaluations necessary, if any.

(iii) The commission may require an athlete or contestant licensed under this chapter to undergo additional neurological tests where, based on the totality of the athlete's or contestant's records, it appears the athlete or contestant may be at risk of cognitive impairment.

(iv) On the basis of a physical examination under this subdivision, and any additional tests that are conducted, the physician may recommend to the commission whether the applicant may be permitted to be licensed in California or not. The executive officer shall review these recommendations and report any denials of licensure. If, as a result of these recommendations, the executive officer refuses to grant the applicant a license or to renew a license, the applicant shall not compete in California until the denial has been overruled by the commission as provided in this chapter.

(v) The commission may waive the requirement for a brain imaging scan or an EKG if a brain imaging scan or EKG was completed as part of the licensing requirements in another state, the commission determines that this brain imaging scan or EKG creates a reliable baseline for the athlete or contestant, and the commission has been provided with a copy of the brain imaging scan or EKG reports.

(vi) This subparagraph shall become inoperative on the date the regulations adopted by the commission pursuant to subparagraph (B) become operative.

(B) On and after January 1, 2008, all professional athletes licensed under this chapter shall be required by the commission to complete a medical examination process, which shall include the completion of specific medical examinations, to be determined by the commission through regulations, as a condition of initial licensure and license renewal. This medical examination process may include examinations required under current law and any additional medical examinations determined to be medically necessary. In adopting the medical examination process, the commission shall consider the health and safety of contestants, the medical necessity of any examinations required, and the financial aspects of requiring those medical examinations.

(2) In the absence of any pertinent untoward medical event, the commission may, in its discretion, on forms prescribed by the commission, accept tests or evaluations that are equivalent to those described in paragraph (1) and that have been completed within one year of licensure to meet the requirements of this subdivision.

(3) (A) Any medical records obtained, reviewed, or created under this chapter shall be utilized only for purposes of administering this chapter. The commission and any physician may not disclose the athlete's medical records without a signed authorization from the athlete, except that the commission may disclose those records to other state licensing boards and commissions to which the athlete has applied for licensure or has an enforcement action pending, or upon court order in a criminal or civil action.

(B) After the adoption of regulations to establish a process for participating in medical research studies, the commission may use medical information for purposes of participating in medical research studies of the effects on the human body of contests and exhibitions regulated under this chapter. However, medical information shall not include any personal identifying information on any contestant, including, but not limited to, the contestant's name, address, telephone number, social security number, license number, federal identification number, or any other information identifying the contestant. The medical information shall only be provided if the licensed athlete has consented in writing to participate in the research study. The regulations adopted by the commission shall include a process to ensure that no conflicts of

interest arise regarding which medical examinations are required to be completed by contestants.

(b) If an applicant for licensure as a professional athlete under this chapter undergoes a neurological examination for purposes of licensure within the 120-day period immediately preceding the normal expiration of that license, the applicant shall not be required to undergo an additional neurological examination within the following 12 consecutive month license period unless the commission, for cause, orders that the examination be taken. The commission shall notify all commission-approved physicians and referees that the commission has the authority to order any professional athlete to undergo a neurological examination.

(c) The cost of the examinations required by this section shall be paid from assessments on any one or more of the following: promoters of professional matches, managers, and professional athletes or other contestants licensed under this chapter. The rate and manner of assessment shall be set by the commission, and may cover all costs associated with the requirements of this section. This assessment shall be imposed on all contests approved by the commission under this chapter. As of July 1, 1994, all moneys received by the commission pursuant to this section shall be deposited in and credited to the State Athletic Commission Neurological Examination Account which is hereby created in the General Fund.

(d) Whenever a reference is made to the Boxers' Neurological Examination Account, it is to be construed as referring to the State Athletic Commission Neurological Examination Account.

SEC. 33. Section 19601 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19601. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a licensed association or fair that is conducting a live meeting in any racing zone may accept wagers on any race conducted in this state, if all of the following requirements are met:

(1) The association or fair that conducts the racing meeting and the organization that is responsible for negotiating purse agreements on behalf of the horsemen participating in that racing meeting consent to the acceptance of the wagers. However, if consent is withheld, any party may appeal the withholding of consent to the board, which may determine that consent is not required.

(2) The association or fair conducts not fewer than eight races on days when the association or fair is licensed to conduct racing, except that fewer than eight live races per day may be conducted by the mutual agreement of the association or fair and the organization that is responsible for negotiating purse agreements on behalf of the horsemen participating in the racing meeting.

(3) Wagering is offered only within the association's or fair's racing inclosure or within the satellite wagering facility and only within seven days of the commencement of the racing program with the transmitted race.

(4) All wagers are included in the appropriate parimutuel pool at the racetrack of the association or fair where the race is conducted, or, in the appropriate parimutuel pool of the racetrack of the association or fair that accepts the transmitted race.

(5) The association or fair accepting wagers on an out-of-zone transmitted race distributes the audiovisual signal of the race to, and accepts wagers from, all eligible satellite wagering facilities.

(b) Any association or fair accepting wagers under subdivision (a) shall deduct, from the total amount handled in each conventional and exotic parimutuel pool on the transmitted race, the same percentages deducted pursuant to Article 9.5 (commencing with Section 19610) for races at its own meeting. However, if the wagers are from a quarter horse race meeting, then the amounts deducted shall be the same as for a quarter horse race meeting. Amounts deducted under this section, including amounts deducted from wagers on out-of-zone races within the inclosure of the association or fair, shall be distributed as provided under Sections 19605.7, 19605.72, and 19605.73 with respect to wagers made within the northern zone, or Sections 19605.71, 19605.72, and 19605.73 with respect to wagers made within the central or southern zone, except that amounts distributed for purposes other than state license fees and fees payable to the Center for Equine Health, School of Veterinary Medicine, University of California at Davis, and the California Animal Health and Food Safety Laboratory shall be proportionally reduced by the amount of any fees paid to the Triple Crown or Breeder's Cup day host association pursuant to subdivision (c). The method used to calculate the reduction in proportionate share shall be approved by the board. For wagers on out-of-state and out-of-country races made within

the association's or fair's inclosure, 1 percent shall be distributed to the association or fair as a satellite wagering facility commission.

(c) Nothing in this section precludes an association or fair from charging a fee as a condition of transmitting the Triple Crown or Breeder's Cup day races, except that any fee shall be allocated among all associations, fairs, and satellite wagering facilities receiving the transmitted race in proportion to the amount wagered at each location, and the fee shall equal that charged by the entity conducting the race or races. Further, the only fee that can be charged as a condition of transmitting the signal of an out-of-zone race shall be a fee of 2.5 percent on Breeder's Cup day races.

(d) All breakage and unclaimed tickets, including unclaimed refunds, shall be distributed equally between the association or fair that accepts wagers on the transmitted race, and the horsemen, in the form of purses. The purse moneys generated by this subdivision shall be made available for purses during the meeting in which they are received by the association or fair, or, if the association or fair is not then conducting a live racing meeting, during the next succeeding meeting of the association or fair.

(e) All wagers made pursuant to this section shall be considered to have been wagered at a satellite wagering facility and shall be excluded from total handle for the purposes of Section 19611.

(f) Notwithstanding Section 19530.5, satellite wagering facilities operated by a fair, in the Counties of Fresno, Kern, or Tulare shall be considered northern zone facilities and shall receive their audiovisual signal from the association or fair conducting a racing meeting in the northern zone that is authorized to distribute the signal and accept wagers on central and southern zone races. Satellite wagering facilities operated by a fair, in the Counties of Santa Barbara or Ventura shall be considered central-southern zone facilities and shall receive the audiovisual signal from the association or fair conducting a racing meeting in the central or southern zone that is authorized to distribute the signal and accept wagers on northern zone races.

(g) All purse moneys derived from wagering on out-of-zone races at fair racing meetings shall be distributed to all breeds of horses participating in the fair meeting in direct proportion to the purse money generated by breed on live races conducted during the fair race meeting.

(h) During calendar periods when both a fair and a thoroughbred association conduct live racing, the amounts deducted under this section shall be distributed on any day of overlap as provided in Section 19607.5, except that the applicable state license fee shall be at the rate specified for nonfair meetings in subdivision (b) of Section 19605.7.

(i) During calendar periods when a thoroughbred association and a fair, or a thoroughbred association and any other breed association, are conducting a racing meeting in the same zone, the thoroughbred association shall be the association authorized to distribute out-of-zone, out-of-state, or out-of-country thoroughbred or fair races, except that the thoroughbred association may waive this right and allow the other breed racing association conducting a race meeting to distribute the signal and accept wagers on out-of-zone, out-of-state, or out-of-country thoroughbred or fair races for any racing day or days. For the purposes of this subdivision, the combined central and southern zone shall be considered one zone.

(j) In order to ensure, to the extent possible, that out-of-state and out-of-country simulcasting furthers the purposes of this section, a committee made up of one representative from each of the then-operating thoroughbred associations or fairs that are conducting a live racing meeting in the state and one representative of the organization responsible for negotiating purse agreements on behalf of the horsemen participating in the meeting shall do the following:

(1) Determine the out-of-state or out-of-country thoroughbred races to be imported on a statewide basis pursuant to this chapter.

(2) Ensure, to the extent possible, that the fees charged by out-of-state or out-of-country entities for these signals are at the lowest obtainable rate and at the same rate statewide, in order to maximize the revenue available to in-state associations and fairs and their horsemen.

(3) Ensure, to the extent possible, due to the reciprocal nature of the interstate simulcasting business, that the maximum obtainable revenue is generated by the sale to out-of-state entities of the audiovisual signal of races conducted in this state by thoroughbred associations and fairs.

(4) Ensure that program information requirements for in-state signals comply with the standards of the board, but provide that

abbreviated program formats may be used for races imported from other jurisdictions.

(k) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any thoroughbred association or fair, when operating a live racing meeting, shall distribute the signal of all races conducted by, or disseminated by, that association or fair to, and accept wagers on these races from, any association that is licensed to conduct a live quarter horse or harness racing meeting in Orange County and that conducted such a meeting in 1998.

(*l*) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all associations or fairs when operating as eligible satellite wagering facilities shall be in compliance with, and subject to, Article 9.2 (commencing with Section 19605), and shall display the signal and accept wagers on all live races conducted in this state without regard to breed. Notwithstanding the foregoing provision, a thoroughbred racing association located in the City of Arcadia is exempt from these requirements for live harness and quarter horse races conducted at night unless the thoroughbred racing association facility is open for business at that time and is accepting wagers on other night signals pursuant to this chapter.

A quarter horse racing association located in the southern zone shall display the signal and accept wagers on all races imported by, or conducted by, a harness racing association conducting racing in the northern zone. A harness racing association in the northern zone shall display the signal and accept wagers on all races imported by, or conducted by, a quarter horse racing association conducting racing in the southern zone. On those nights when both the harness racing association in the northern zone and the quarter horse racing association in the southern zone are conducting live racing, the audiovisual signal of both breeds shall be displayed and wagers shall be accepted on both breeds at each of the locations where the live racing is being conducted, and each association shall display the audiovisual signal and accept wagers on the other association's live or imported races throughout their respective facilities, as they do when they are conducting satellite wagering during other periods of the same day. Each association shall pay the other an additional 5 percent of the amount wagered at their respective facilities on the races imported by, or conducted by, the other racing association. With respect to harness racing, the additional 5 percent received by the harness racing association

pursuant to this subdivision shall be distributed as 50 percent as commissions to the racing association and 50 percent as purses to the horsemen participating in the racing meeting. Further, satellite wagering facilities located at fairs may, but are not required to, accept an audiovisual signal on out-of-state or out-of-country races unless the facility is open for business at the time and accepting wagers on other signals pursuant to this chapter.

SEC. 34. Section 1788.18 of the Civil Code is amended to read:

1788.18. (a) Upon receipt from a debtor of all of the following, a debt collector shall cease collection activities until completion of the review provided in subdivision (d):

(1) A copy of a police report filed by the debtor alleging that the debtor is the victim of an identity theft crime, including, but not limited to, a violation of Section 530.5 of the Penal Code, for the specific debt being collected by the debt collector.

(2) The debtor's written statement that the debtor claims to be the victim of identity theft with respect to the specific debt being collected by the debt collector.

(b) The written statement described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) shall consist of any of the following:

(1) A Federal Trade Commission's Affidavit of Identity Theft.

(2) A written statement that contains the content of the Identity Theft Victim's Fraudulent Account Information Request offered to the public by the California Office of Privacy Protection.

(3) A written statement that certifies that the representations are true, correct, and contain no material omissions of fact to the best knowledge and belief of the person submitting the certification. A person submitting the certification who declares as true any material matter pursuant to this subdivision that he or she knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor. The statement shall contain or be accompanied by the following, to the extent that an item listed below is relevant to the debtor's allegation of identity theft with respect to the debt in question:

(A) A statement that the debtor is a victim of identity theft.

(B) A copy of the debtor's driver's license or identification card, as issued by the state.

(C) Any other identification document that supports the statement of identity theft.

(D) Specific facts supporting the claim of identity theft, if available.

(E) Any explanation showing that the debtor did not incur the debt.

(F) Any available correspondence disputing the debt after transaction information has been provided to the debtor.

(G) Documentation of the residence of the debtor at the time of the alleged debt. This may include copies of bills and statements, such as utility bills, tax statements, or other statements from businesses sent to the debtor, showing that the debtor lived at another residence at the time the debt was incurred.

(H) A telephone number for contacting the debtor concerning any additional information or questions, or direction that further communications to the debtor be in writing only, with the mailing address specified in the statement.

(I) To the extent the debtor has information concerning who may have incurred the debt, the identification of any person whom the debtor believes is responsible.

(J) An express statement that the debtor did not authorize the use of the debtor's name or personal information for incurring the debt.

(K) The certification required pursuant to this paragraph shall be sufficient if it is in substantially the following form:

"I certify the representations made are true, correct, and contain no material omissions of fact.

_____ _____"

(Date and Place) (Signature)

(c) If a debtor notifies a debt collector orally that he or she is a victim of identity theft, the debt collector shall notify the debtor, orally or in writing, that the debtor's claim must be in writing. If a debtor notifies a debt collector in writing that he or she is a victim of identity theft, but omits information required pursuant to subdivision (a) or, if applicable, the certification required pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (b), if the debt collector does not cease collection activities, the debt collector shall provide written notice to the debtor of the additional information that is required, or the certification required pursuant to paragraph (3) of

subdivision (b), as applicable, or send the debtor a copy of the Federal Trade Commission's Affidavit of Identity Theft form.

(d) Upon receipt of the complete statement and information described in subdivision (a), the debt collector shall review and consider all of the information provided by the debtor and other information available to the debt collector in its file or from the creditor. The debt collector may recommence debt collection activities only upon making a good faith determination that the information does not establish that the debtor is not responsible for the specific debt in question. The debt collector's determination shall be made in a manner consistent with the provisions of subsection (1) of Section 1692 of Title 15 of the United States Code, as incorporated by Section 1788.17 of this code. The debt collector shall notify the debtor in writing of that determination and the basis for that determination before proceeding with any further collection activities. The debt collector's determination shall be based on all of the information provided by the debtor and other information available to the debt collector in its file or from the creditor.

(e) No inference or presumption that the debt is valid or invalid, or that the debtor is liable or not liable for the debt, shall arise if the debt collector decides after the review described in subdivision (d) to cease or recommence the debt collection activities. The exercise or nonexercise of rights under this section is not a waiver of any other right or defense of the debtor or debt collector.

(f) The statement and supporting documents that comply with subdivision (a) may also satisfy, to the extent those documents meet the requirements of, the notice requirement of paragraph (5) of subdivision (c) of Section 1798.93.

(g) A debt collector who ceases collection activities under this section and does not recommence those collection activities shall do all of the following:

(1) If the debt collector has furnished adverse information to a consumer credit reporting agency, notify the agency to delete that information.

(2) Notify the creditor that debt collection activities have been terminated based upon the debtor's claim of identity theft.

(h) A debt collector who has possession of documents that the debtor is entitled to request from a creditor pursuant to Section

530.8 of the Penal Code is authorized to provide those documents to the debtor.

(i) Notwithstanding subdivision (h) of Section 1788.2, for the purposes of this section, "debtor" means a natural person, firm, association, organization, partnership, business trust, company, corporation, or limited liability company from which a debt collector seeks to collect a debt that is due and owing or alleged to be due and owing from the person or entity. The remedies provided by this title shall apply equally to violations of this section.

SEC. 35. Section 340.7 of the Code of Civil Procedure is amended to read:

340.7. Notwithstanding Section 335.1, any civil action brought by, or on behalf of, any Dalkon Shield victim against the Dalkon Shield Claimants' Trust, shall be brought in accordance with the procedures established by A. H. Robins Company, Inc. Plan of Reorganization, and shall be brought within 15 years of the date on which the victim's injury occurred, except that the statute shall be tolled from August 21, 1985, the date on which the A. H. Robins Company filed for Chapter 11 Reorganization in Richmond, Virginia.

This section applies regardless of when any such action or claim shall have accrued or been filed and regardless of whether it might have lapsed or otherwise be barred by time under California law. However, this section shall only apply to victims who, prior to January 1, 1990, filed a civil action, a timely claim, or a claim which is declared to be timely under the sixth Amended and Restated Disclosure Statement filed pursuant to Section 1125 of the Federal Bankruptcy Code in re: A.H. Robins Company Inc., dated March 28, 1988, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Virginia (Case number 85-01307-R).

SEC. 36. Section 1245.245 of the Code of Civil Procedure is amended to read:

1245.245. (a) Property acquired by a public entity by any means set forth in subdivision (e) that is subject to a resolution of necessity adopted pursuant to this article shall only be used for the public use stated in the resolution unless the governing body of the public entity adopts a resolution authorizing a different use of the property by a vote of at least two-thirds of all members of the governing body of the public entity, or a greater vote as required

by statute, charter, or ordinance. The resolution shall contain all of the following:

(1) A general statement of the new public use that is proposed for the property and a reference to the statute that would have authorized the public entity to acquire the property by eminent domain for that use.

(2) A description of the general location and extent of the property proposed to be used for the new use, with sufficient detail for reasonable identification.

(3) A declaration that the governing body has found and determined each of the following:

(A) The public interest and necessity require the proposed use.

(B) The proposed use is planned and located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and least private injury.

(C) The property described in the resolution is necessary for the proposed use.

(b) Property acquired by a public entity by any means set forth in subdivision (e) that is subject to a resolution of necessity pursuant to this article, and is not used for the public use stated in the resolution of necessity within 10 years of the adoption of the resolution of necessity, shall be sold in accordance with the terms of subdivisions (f) and (g), unless the governing body adopts a resolution according to the terms of subdivision (a) or a resolution according to the terms of this subdivision reauthorizing the existing stated public use of the property by a vote of at least two-thirds of all members of the governing body of the public entity or a greater vote as required by statute, charter, or ordinance. A reauthorization resolution under this subdivision shall contain all of the following:

(1) A general statement of the public use that is proposed to be reauthorized for the property and a reference to the statute that authorized the public entity to acquire the property by eminent domain for that use.

(2) A description of the general location and extent of the property proposed to be used for the public use, but not yet in use for the public use, with sufficient detail for reasonable identification.

(3) A declaration that the governing body has found and determined each of the following:

(A) The public interest and necessity require the proposed use.

(B) The proposed use is planned and located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and least private injury.

(C) The property described in the resolution is necessary for the proposed use.

(c) In addition to any notice required by law, the notice required for a new or reauthorization resolution sought pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) shall comply with Section 1245.235 and shall be sent to each person who was given notice required by Section 1245.235 in connection with the original acquisition of the property by the public entity.

(d) Judicial review of an action pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) may be obtained by a person who had an interest in the property described in the resolution at the time that the property was acquired by the public entity, and shall be governed by Section 1085.

(e) The following property acquisitions are subject to the requirements of this section:

(1) Any acquisition by a public entity pursuant to eminent domain.

(2) Any acquisition by a public entity following adoption of a resolution of necessity pursuant to this article for the property.

(3) Any acquisition by a public entity prior to the adoption of a resolution of necessity pursuant to this article for the property, but subsequent to a written notice that the public entity may take the property by eminent domain.

(f) If the public entity fails to adopt either a new resolution pursuant to subdivision (a) or a reauthorization resolution pursuant to subdivision (b), as required by this section, and that property was not used for the public use stated in a resolution of necessity adopted pursuant to this article or a resolution adopted pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) between the time of its acquisition and the time of the public entity's failure to adopt a resolution pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b), the public entity shall offer the person or persons from whom the property was acquired the right of first refusal to purchase the property pursuant to this section, as follows:

(1) At the present market value, as determined by independent licensed appraisers.

(2) For property that was a single family residence at the time of acquisition, at an affordable price, which price shall not be

greater than the price paid by the agency for the original acquisition, adjusted for inflation, and shall not be greater than fair market value, if the following requirements are met:

(A) The person or persons from whom the property was acquired certify their income to the public entity as persons or families of low or moderate income.

(B) If the single-family residence is offered at a price that is less than fair market value, the public entity may verify the certifications of income in accordance with procedures used for verification of incomes of purchasers and occupants of housing financed by the California Housing Finance Agency.

(C) If the single-family residence is offered at a price that is less than fair market value, the public entity shall impose terms, conditions, and restrictions to ensure that the residence will either:

(i) Remain owner-occupied by the person or persons from whom the property was acquired for at least five years.

(ii) Remain available to persons or families of low or moderate income and households with incomes no greater than the incomes of the present occupants in proportion to the area median income for the longest feasible time, but for not less than 55 years for rental units and 45 years for home ownership units.

(D) The Department of Housing and Community Development shall provide to the public entity recommendations of standards and criteria for those prices, terms, conditions, and restrictions.

(g) If after a diligent effort the public entity is unable to locate the person from whom the property was acquired, if the person from whom the property was acquired does not choose to purchase the property as provided in subdivision (f), or if the public entity fails to adopt a resolution as required pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) but is not required to offer a right of first refusal pursuant to subdivision (f), the public entity shall sell the property as surplus property pursuant to Article 8 (commencing with Section 54220) of Chapter 5 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code.

(h) If residential property acquired by a public entity by any means set forth in subdivision (e) is sold as surplus property pursuant to subdivision (g), and that property was not used for the public use stated in a resolution of necessity adopted pursuant to this article or a resolution adopted pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) between the time of its acquisition and the time of its sale as

surplus property, the public entity shall pay to the person or persons from whom the public entity acquired the property the sum of any financial gain between the original acquisition price, adjusted for inflation, and the final sale price.

(i) Upon completion of any acquisition described in subdivision (e) or upon the adoption of a resolution of necessity pursuant to this section, whichever is later, the public entity shall give written notice to the person or persons from whom the property was acquired as described in subdivision (e) stating that the notice, right of first refusal, and return of financial gain rights discussed in this section may accrue.

(j) At least 60 days before selling the property pursuant to subdivision (g), the public entity shall make a diligent effort to locate the person from whom the property was acquired. At any time before the proposed sale, the person from whom the property was acquired may exercise the rights provided by this section. As used in this section, "diligent effort" means that the public entity has done all of the following:

(1) Mailed the notice of the proposed sale by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last known address of the person from whom the property was acquired.

(2) Mailed the notice of the proposed sale by certified mail, return receipt requested, to each person with the same name as the person from whom the property was acquired at any other address on the last equalized assessment roll.

(3) Published the notice of the proposed sale pursuant to Section 6061 of the Government Code in at least one newspaper of general circulation within the city or county in which the property is located.

(4) Posted the notice of the proposed sale in at least three public places within the city or county in which the property is located.

(5) Posted the notice of the proposed sale on the property proposed to be sold.

(k) For purposes of this section, "adjusted for inflation" means the original acquisition price increased to reflect the proportional increase in the Consumer Price Index for all items for the State of California, as determined by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, for the period from the date of acquisition to the date the property is offered for sale.

SEC. 37. Section 1277 of the Code of Civil Procedure is amended to read:

1277. (a) If a proceeding for a change of name is commenced by the filing of a petition, except as provided in subdivisions (b) and (e), the court shall thereupon make an order reciting the filing of the petition, the name of the person by whom it is filed, and the name proposed. The order shall direct all persons interested in the matter to appear before the court at a time and place specified, which shall be not less than six nor more than 12 weeks from the time of making the order, unless the court orders a different time, to show cause why the application for change of name should not be granted. The order shall direct all persons interested in the matter to make known any objection that they may have to the granting of the petition for change of name by filing a written objection, which includes the reasons for the objection, with the court at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and by appearing in court at the hearing to show cause why the petition for change of name should not be granted. The order shall state that, if no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

A copy of the order to show cause shall be published pursuant to Section 6064 of the Government Code in a newspaper of general circulation to be designated in the order published in the county. If no newspaper of general circulation is published in the county, a copy of the order to show cause shall be posted by the clerk of the court in three of the most public places in the county in which the court is located, for a like period. Proof shall be made to the satisfaction of the court of this publication or posting, at the time of the hearing of the application.

Four weekly publications shall be sufficient publication of the order to show cause. If the order is published in a daily newspaper, publication once a week for four successive weeks shall be sufficient.

If a petition has been filed for a minor by a parent and the other parent, if living, does not join in consenting thereto, the petitioner shall cause, not less than 30 days prior to the hearing, to be served notice of the time and place of the hearing or a copy of the order to show cause on the other parent pursuant to Section 413.10, 414.10, 415.10, or 415.40. If notice of the hearing cannot reasonably be accomplished pursuant to Section 415.10 or 415.40,

the court may order that notice be given in a manner that the court determines is reasonably calculated to give actual notice to the nonconsenting parent. In that case, if the court determines that notice by publication is reasonably calculated to give actual notice to the nonconsenting parent, the court may determine that publication of the order to show cause pursuant to this subdivision is sufficient notice to the nonconsenting parent.

(b) (1) If the petition for a change of name alleges a reason or circumstance described in paragraph (2), and the petitioner is a participant in the address confidentiality program created pursuant to Chapter 3.1 (commencing with Section 6205) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code, the action for a change of name is exempt from the requirement for publication of the order to show cause under subdivision (a), and the petition and the order of the court shall, in lieu of reciting the proposed name, indicate that the proposed name is confidential and will be on file with the Secretary of State pursuant to the provisions of the address confidentiality program.

(2) The procedure described in paragraph (1) applies to petitions alleging any of the following reasons or circumstances:

(A) To avoid domestic violence, as defined in Section 6211 of the Family Code.

(B) To avoid stalking, as defined in Section 646.9 of the Penal Code.

(C) The petitioner is, or is filing on behalf of, a victim of sexual assault, as defined in Section 1036.2 of the Evidence Code.

(c) A proceeding for a change of name for a witness participating in the state Witness Protection Program established by Title 7.5 (commencing with Section 14020) of Part 4 of the Penal Code who has been approved for the change of name by the program is exempt from the requirement for publication of the order to show cause under subdivision (a).

(d) If application for change of name is brought as part of an action under the Uniform Parentage Act (Part 3 (commencing with Section 7600) of Division 12 of the Family Code), whether as part of a petition or cross-complaint or as a separate order to show cause in a pending action thereunder, service of the application shall be made upon all other parties to the action in a like manner as prescribed for the service of a summons, as is set forth in Article 3 (commencing with Section 415.10) of Chapter 4 of Title 5 of

Part 2. Upon the setting of a hearing on the issue, notice of the hearing shall be given to all parties in the action in a like manner and within the time limits prescribed generally for the type of hearing (whether trial or order to show cause) at which the issue of the change of name is to be decided.

(e) If a guardian files a petition to change the name of his or her minor ward pursuant to Section 1276:

(1) The guardian shall provide notice of the hearing to any living parent of the minor by personal service at least 30 days prior to the hearing.

(2) If either or both parents are deceased or cannot be located, the guardian shall cause, not less than 30 days prior to the hearing, to be served a notice of the time and place of the hearing or a copy of the order to show cause on the child's grandparents, if living, pursuant to Section 413.10, 414.10, 415.10, or 415.40.

SEC. 38. The heading of Title 9.3 (commencing with Section 1298) of Part 3 of the Code of Civil Procedure, as added by Section 1 of Chapter 881 of the Statutes of 1988, is amended and renumbered to read:

TITLE 9.4. REAL ESTATE CONTRACT ARBITRATION

SEC. 39. Section 1157 of the Corporations Code is amended to read:

1157. (a) An other business entity or a foreign other business entity or a foreign corporation may be converted into a corporation pursuant to this chapter only if the converting entity is authorized by the laws under which it is organized to effect the conversion.

(b) An other business entity or a foreign other business entity or a foreign corporation that desires to convert into a corporation shall approve a plan of conversion or other instrument as is required to be approved to effect the conversion pursuant to the laws under which that entity is organized.

(c) The conversion of an other business entity or a foreign other business entity or a foreign corporation shall be approved by the number or percentage of the partners, members, shareholders, or other holders of interest of the converting entity that is required by the laws under which that entity is organized, or a greater or lesser percentage as may be set forth in the converting entity's partnership agreement, articles of organization, operating

agreement, articles of incorporation, or other governing document in accordance with applicable laws.

(d) The conversion by an other business entity or a foreign other business entity or a foreign corporation shall be effective under this chapter upon the filing with the Secretary of State of the articles of incorporation of the converted corporation, containing a statement of conversion that complies with subdivision (e).

(e) A statement of conversion of an entity converting into a corporation pursuant to this chapter shall set forth all of the following:

(1) The name, form, and jurisdiction of organization of the converting entity.

(2) The Secretary of State's file number, if any, of the converting entity.

(3) If the converting entity is a foreign other business entity or a foreign corporation, the statement of conversion shall contain the following:

(A) A statement that the converting entity is authorized to effect the conversion by the laws under which it is organized.

(B) A statement that the converting entity has approved a plan of conversion or other instrument as is required to be approved to effect the conversion pursuant to the laws under which the converting entity is organized.

(C) A statement that the conversion has been approved by the number or percentage of the partners, members, shareholders, or other holders of interest of the converting entity that is required by the laws under which that entity is organized, or a greater or lesser percentage as may be set forth in the converting entity's partnership agreement, articles of organization, operating agreement, articles of incorporation, or other governing document in accordance with applicable laws.

(f) The filing with the Secretary of State of articles of incorporation containing a statement pursuant to subdivision (e) shall have the effect of the filing of a certificate of cancellation by a converting foreign limited liability company or foreign limited partnership, and no converting foreign limited liability company or foreign limited partnership that has made the filing is required to file a certificate of cancellation under Section 15696, 15909.07, or 17455 as a result of that conversion. If a converting entity is a foreign corporation qualified to transact business in this state, the

foreign corporation shall, by virtue of the filing, automatically surrender its right to transact intrastate business.

SEC. 40. Section 15901.02 of the Corporations Code is amended to read:

15901.02. In this chapter, the following terms have the following meanings:

(a) "Acknowledged" means that an instrument is either of the following:

(1) Formally acknowledged as provided in Article 3 (commencing with Section 1180) of Chapter 4 of Title 4 of Part 4 of Division 2 of the Civil Code.

(2) Executed to include substantially the following wording preceding the signature: "It is hereby declared that I am the person who executed this instrument, which execution is my act and deed. Any certificate of acknowledgment taken without this state before a notary public or a judge or clerk of a court of record having an official seal need not be further authenticated."

(b) "Certificate of limited partnership" means the certificate required by Section 15902.01. The term includes the certificate as amended or restated.

(c) "Contribution," except in the phrase "right of contribution," means any benefit provided by a person to a limited partnership in order to become a partner or in the person's capacity as a partner.

(d) "Debtor in bankruptcy" means a person that is the subject of either of the following:

(1) An order for relief under Title 11 of the United States Code or a comparable order under a successor statute of general application.

(2) A comparable order under federal, state, or foreign law governing insolvency.

(e) "Designated office" means either of the following:

(1) With respect to a limited partnership, the office that the limited partnership is required to designate and maintain under Section 15901.14.

(2) With respect to a foreign limited partnership, its principal office.

(f) "Distribution" means a transfer of money or other property from a limited partnership to a partner in the partner's capacity as a partner or to a transferee on account of a transferable interest owned by the transferee.

(g) "Domestic corporation" means a corporation formed under the laws of this state.

(h) "Electronic transmission by the partnership" means a communication that meets both of the following requirements:

(1) It is delivered by any of the following means:

(A) Facsimile transmission or electronic mail when directed to the facsimile number or electronic mail address, respectively, for the recipient on the record with the partnership.

(B) Posting on an electronic message board or other electronic database, that the partnership has designated for the communication, together with a separate notice to the recipient of the posting, which shall be validly delivered upon the later of either the posting or delivery of the separate notice thereof.

(C) Other means of electronic communication.

(2) It is to a recipient that has provided an unrevoked consent to the use of the means of transmission used by the partnership in the electronic transmission.

(i) "Electronic transmission to the partnership" means a communication that meets both of the following requirements:

(1) It is delivered by any of the following means:

(A) Facsimile communication or other electronic mail when directed to the facsimile number or electronic mail address, respectively, that the partnership has provided from time to time to the partners for sending communications to the partnership.

(B) Posting on an electronic message board or electronic database that the partnership has designated for the communication. A transmission shall have been validly delivered upon the posting.

(C) Other means of electronic communication.

(2) It is a communication as to which the partnership has placed in effect reasonable measures to verify that the sender is the partner purporting to send the transmission, either in person or by proxy.

(j) "Foreign limited liability limited partnership" means a foreign limited partnership whose general partners have limited liability for the obligations of the foreign limited partnership.

(k) "Foreign limited partnership" means a partnership formed under the laws of a jurisdiction other than this state and required by those laws to have one or more general partners and one or more limited partners. The term includes a foreign limited liability limited partnership.

(*l*) "Foreign other business entity" means an other business entity formed under the laws of any state other than this state or under the laws of a foreign country.

(m) "General partner" means:

(1) With respect to a limited partnership, a person to whom either of the following applies:

(A) The person becomes a general partner under Section 15904.01.

(B) The person was a general partner in a limited partnership when the limited partnership became subject to this chapter under subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 15912.06.

(2) With respect to a foreign limited partnership, a person that has rights, powers, and obligations similar to those of a general partner in a limited partnership.

(n) "Interests of all partners" means the aggregate interests of all partners in the current profits derived from business operations of the partnership.

(o) "Interests of limited partners" means the aggregate interests of all limited partners in their respective capacities as limited partners in the current profits derived from business operations of the partnership.

(p) "Limited partner" means:

(1) With respect to a limited partnership, a person to whom either of the following applies:

(A) The person becomes a limited partner under Section 15903.01 or subdivision (h) of 15907.02.

(B) The person was a limited partner in a limited partnership when the limited partnership became subject to this chapter under subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 15912.06.

(2) With respect to a foreign limited partnership, a person that has rights, powers, and obligations similar to those of a limited partner in a limited partnership.

(q) "Limited partnership or domestic limited partnership," except in the phrases "foreign limited partnership" and "foreign limited liability limited partnership," means an entity, having one or more general partners and one or more limited partners, which is formed under this chapter by two or more persons or becomes subject to this chapter under Article 11 (commencing with Section 15911.01) or subdivisions (a) or (b) of Section 15912.06.

(r) “Mail” means first-class mail, postage prepaid, unless registered mail is specified. Registered mail includes certified mail.

(s) “Majority in interest of all partners” means more than 50 percent of the interests of all partners.

(t) “Majority in interest of the limited partners” means more than 50 percent of the interests of limited partners.

(u) “Other business entity” means a corporation, general partnership, limited liability company, business trust, real estate investment trust, or an unincorporated association other than a nonprofit association, but excludes a limited partnership.

(v) “Parent” of a limited partnership means any of the following:

(1) A general partner of the limited partnership.

(2) A person possessing, directly or indirectly, the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a general partner of the limited partnership.

(3) A person owning, directly or indirectly, limited partnership interests possessing more than 50 percent of the aggregate voting power of the limited partnership.

(w) “Partner” means a limited partner or general partner.

(x) “Partnership agreement” means the partners’ agreement, whether oral, implied, in a record, or in any combination, concerning the limited partnership. The term includes the agreement as amended.

(y) “Person” means an individual, partnership, limited partnership, trust, estate, association, corporation, limited liability company, or other entity, whether domestic or foreign.

(z) “Person dissociated as a general partner” means a person dissociated as a general partner of a limited partnership.

(aa) “Principal office” means the office where the principal executive office of a limited partnership or foreign limited partnership is located, whether or not the office is located in this state.

(ab) “Proxy” means a written authorization signed by a partner or the partner’s attorney in fact giving another person the power to vote with respect to the interest of that partner. “Signed,” for the purpose of this subdivision, means the placing of the partner’s name on the proxy, whether by manual signature, typewriting, telegraphic transmission, or otherwise, by the partner or the partner’s attorney in fact.

(ac) "Record" means information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.

(ad) "Required information" means the information that a limited partnership is required to maintain under Section 15901.11.

(ae) "Return of capital" means any distribution to a partner to the extent that the aggregate distributions to that partner do not exceed that partner's contributions to the partnership.

(af) "Sign" means either of the following:

(1) To execute or adopt a tangible symbol with the present intent to authenticate a record.

(2) To attach or logically associate an electronic symbol, sound, or process to or with a record with the present intent to authenticate the record.

(ag) "State" means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

(ah) "Time a notice is given or sent," unless otherwise expressly provided, means any of the following:

(1) The time a written notice to a partner or the limited partnership is deposited in the United States mail.

(2) The time any other written notice is personally delivered to the recipient, is delivered to a common carrier for transmission, or is actually transmitted by the person giving the notice by electronic means to the recipient.

(3) The time any oral notice is communicated, in person or by telephone or wireless, to the recipient or to a person at the office of the recipient who the person giving the notice has reason to believe will promptly communicate it to the recipient.

(ai) (1) "Transact intrastate business" means, for purposes of registration, entering into repeated and successive transactions of business in this state, other than interstate or foreign commerce.

(2) A foreign limited partnership shall not be considered to be transacting intrastate business within the meaning of paragraph (1) solely because of its status as one or more of the following:

(A) A shareholder of a foreign corporation transacting intrastate business.

(B) A shareholder of a domestic corporation.

(C) A limited partner of a foreign limited partnership transacting intrastate business.

(D) A limited partner of a domestic limited partnership.

(E) A member or manager of a foreign limited liability company transacting intrastate business.

(F) A member or manager of a domestic limited liability company.

(3) Without excluding other activities that may not constitute transacting intrastate business, a foreign limited partnership shall not be considered to be transacting intrastate business within the meaning of paragraph (1) solely by reason of carrying on in this state one or more of the following activities:

(A) Maintaining or defending any action or suit or any administrative or arbitration proceeding, or effecting the settlement thereof or the settlement of claims and disputes.

(B) Holding meetings of its partners or carrying on other activities concerning its internal affairs.

(C) Maintaining bank accounts.

(D) Maintaining offices or agencies for the transfer, exchange, and registration of its securities or depositories with relation to its securities.

(E) Effecting sales through independent contractors.

(F) Soliciting or procuring orders, whether by mail or through employees or agents or otherwise, where the orders require acceptance without this state before becoming binding contracts.

(G) Creating or acquiring evidences of debt or mortgages, liens, or security interests on real or personal property.

(H) Securing or collecting debts or enforcing mortgages and security interests in property securing the debts.

(I) Conducting an isolated transaction completed within a period of 180 days and not in the course of a number of repeated transactions of like nature.

(J) Transacting business in interstate commerce.

(4) A person shall not be deemed to be transacting intrastate business in this state within the meaning of paragraph (1) solely because of the person's status as a limited partner of a domestic limited partnership or a foreign limited partnership registered to transact intrastate business in this state.

This definition shall not apply in determining the contacts or activities that may subject a foreign limited partnership to service

of process, taxation, jurisdiction, or other regulation under any other law of this state.

(aj) "Transfer" includes an assignment, conveyance, deed, bill of sale, lease, mortgage, creation of a security interest or encumbrance, gift, and transfer by operation of law.

(ak) "Transferable interest" means a partner's right to receive distributions.

(al) "Transferee" means a person to which all or part of a transferable interest has been transferred, whether or not the transferor is a partner.

SEC. 41. Section 15901.10 of the Corporations Code is amended to read:

15901.10. (a) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (b), the partnership agreement governs relations among the partners and between the partners and the partnership. To the extent the partnership agreement does not otherwise provide, this chapter governs relations among the partners and between the partners and the partnership.

(b) A partnership agreement may not do any of the following:

(1) Vary a limited partnership's power under Section 15901.05 to sue, be sued, and defend in its own name.

(2) Vary the law applicable to a limited partnership under Section 15901.06.

(3) Vary the requirements of Section 15902.04.

(4) Vary the information required under Section 15901.11 or unreasonably restrict the right to information under Section 15903.04 or 15904.07, but the partnership agreement may impose reasonable restrictions on the availability and use of information obtained under those sections and may define appropriate remedies, including liquidated damages, for a breach of any reasonable restriction on use.

(5) Eliminate the duty of loyalty under Section 15904.08, but the partnership agreement may do either or both of the following:

(A) Identify specific types or categories of activities that do not violate the duty of loyalty, if not manifestly unreasonable.

(B) Specify the number or percentage of partners which may authorize or ratify, after full disclosure to all partners of all material facts, a specific act or transaction that otherwise would violate the duty of loyalty.

(6) Unreasonably reduce the duty of care under subdivision (c) of Section 15904.08.

(7) Eliminate the obligation of good faith and fair dealing under subdivision (b) of Section 15903.05 and subdivision (d) of Section 15904.08, but the partnership agreement may prescribe the standards by which the performance of the obligation is to be measured, if the standards are not manifestly unreasonable.

(8) Vary the power of a person to dissociate as a general partner under subdivision (a) of Section 15906.04 except to require that the notice under subdivision (a) of Section 15906.03 be in a record.

(9) Eliminate the power of a court to decree dissolution in the circumstances specified in subdivision (a) of Section 15908.02.

(10) Vary the requirement to wind up the partnership's business as specified in Section 15908.03.

(11) Unreasonably restrict the right to maintain an action under Article 10 (commencing with Section 15910.01).

(12) Restrict the right of a partner to approve a conversion or merger.

(13) Vary the provisions of Article 11.5 (commencing with Section 15911.20), except to the extent expressly permitted by such provisions.

(14) Restrict rights under this chapter of a person other than a partner or a transferee.

SEC. 42. Section 15901.16 of the Corporations Code is amended to read:

15901.16. (a) In addition to Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 413.10) of Title 5 of Part 2 of the Code of Civil Procedure, process may be served upon limited partnerships and foreign limited partnerships as provided in this section.

(b) Personal service of a copy of any process against the limited partnership or the foreign limited partnership will constitute valid service on the limited partnership if delivered either (1) to any individual designated by it as agent or, if a limited partnership, to any general partner or (2) if the designated agent or, if a limited partnership, general partner is a corporation, to any person named in the latest certificate of the corporate agent filed pursuant to Section 1505 of the Corporations Code at the office of the corporate agent or to any officer of the general partner, shall constitute valid service on the limited partnership or the foreign limited partnership. No change in the address of the agent for service of process where

the agent is an individual or appointment of a new agent for service of process shall be effective (1) for a limited partnership until an amendment to the certificate of limited partnership is filed or (2) for a foreign limited partnership until an amendment to the application for registration is filed. In the case of a foreign limited partnership that has appointed the Secretary of State as agent for service of process by reason of subdivision (b) of Section 15909.07, process shall be delivered by hand to the Secretary of State, or to any person employed in the capacity of assistant or deputy, which shall be one copy of the process for each defendant to be served, together with a copy of the court order authorizing the service and the fee therefor. The order shall include and set forth an address to which the process shall be sent by the Secretary of State.

(c) (1) If an agent for service of process has resigned and has not been replaced or if the agent designated cannot with reasonable diligence be found at the address designated for personal delivery of the process, and it is shown by affidavit to the satisfaction of the court that process against a limited partnership or foreign limited partnership cannot be served with reasonable diligence upon the designated agent or, if a foreign limited partnership, upon any general partner by hand in the manner provided in Section 415.10, subdivision (a) of Section 415.20, or subdivision (a) of Section 415.30 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the court may make an order that the service shall be made upon a domestic limited partnership which has filed a certificate or upon a foreign limited partnership which has a certificate of registration to transact business in this state by delivering by hand to the Secretary of State, or to any person employed in the Secretary of State's office in the capacity of assistant or deputy, one copy of the process for each defendant to be served, together with a copy of the order authorizing the service. Service in this manner shall be deemed complete on the 10th day after delivery of the process to the Secretary of State.

(2) Upon receipt of any *such* copy of process and the fee therefor, the Secretary of State shall give notice of the service of the process to the limited partnership or foreign limited partnership, at its principal office, by forwarding to that office, by registered mail with request for return receipt, the copy of the process.

(3) The Secretary of State shall keep a record of all process served upon the Secretary of State under this chapter and shall

record therein the time of service and the Secretary of State's action with reference thereto. A certificate under the Secretary of State's official seal, certifying to the receipt of process, the giving of notice thereof to the limited partnership or foreign limited partnership, and the forwarding of the process pursuant to this section, shall be competent and prima facie evidence of the matters stated therein.

(d) (1) The certificate of a limited partnership and the application for a certificate of registration of a foreign limited partnership shall designate, as the agent for service of process, an individual residing in this state or a corporation which has complied with Section 1505 of the Corporations Code and whose capacity to act as an agent has not terminated. If an individual is designated, the statement shall set forth that person's complete business or residence address in this state. If a corporate agent is designated, no address for it shall be set forth.

(2) An agent designated for service of process may file with the Secretary of State a signed and acknowledged written statement of resignation as an agent. Thereupon the authority of the agent to act in that capacity shall cease and the Secretary of State forthwith shall give written notice of the filing of the certificate of resignation by mail to the limited partnership or foreign limited partnership addressed to its designated office.

(3) If an individual who has been designated agent for service of process dies or resigns or no longer resides in the state or if the corporate agent for that purpose, resigns, dissolves, withdraws from the state, forfeits its right to transact intrastate business, has its corporate rights, powers and privileges suspended or ceases to exist, (A) the limited partnership shall promptly file an amendment to the certificate designating a new agent or (B) the foreign limited partnership shall promptly file an amendment to the application for registration.

(e) In addition to any other discovery rights which may exist, in any case pending in a California court having jurisdiction in which a party seeks records from a partnership formed under this chapter, whether or not the partnership is a party, the court shall have the power to order the production in California of the books and records of the partnership on the terms and conditions that the court deems appropriate.

SEC. 43. Section 15903.03 of the Corporations Code is amended to read:

15903.03. (a) A limited partner is not liable for any obligation of a limited partnership unless named as a general partner in the certificate or, in addition to exercising the rights and powers of a limited partner, the limited partner participates in the control of the business. If a limited partner participates in the control of the business without being named as a general partner, that partner may be held liable as a general partner only to persons who transact business with the limited partnership with actual knowledge of that partner's participation in control and with a reasonable belief, based upon the limited partner's conduct, that the partner is a general partner at the time of the transaction. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to affect the liability of a limited partner to third parties for the limited partner's participation in tortious conduct.

(b) A limited partner does not participate in the control of the business within the meaning of subdivision (a) solely by doing, attempting to do, or having the right or power to do, one or more of the following:

(1) Being any of the following:

(A) An independent contractor for, an agent or employee of, or transacting business with, the limited partnership or a general partner of the limited partnership.

(B) An officer, director, or shareholder of a corporate general partner of the limited partnership.

(C) A member, manager, or officer of a limited liability company that is a general partner of the limited partnership.

(D) A limited partner of a partnership that is a general partner of the limited partnership.

(E) A trustee, administrator, executor, custodian, or other fiduciary or beneficiary of an estate or trust that is a general partner.

(F) A trustee, officer, advisor, shareholder, or beneficiary of a business trust that is a general partner.

(2) Consulting with and advising a general partner with respect to the business of the limited partnership.

(3) Acting as surety for the limited partnership or for a general partner, guaranteeing one or more specific debts of the limited partnership, providing collateral for the limited partnership or general partner, borrowing money from the limited partnership or a general partner, or lending money to the limited partnership or a general partner.

(4) Approving or disapproving an amendment to the partnership agreement.

(5) Voting on, proposing, or calling a meeting of the partners.

(6) Winding up the partnership pursuant to Section 15908.03.

(7) Executing and filing a certificate pursuant to Section 15902.05, a certificate of withdrawal pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 15902.04, or a certificate of cancellation of the certificate of limited partnership pursuant to paragraph (6) of subdivision (a) of Section 15902.04.

(8) Serving on an audit committee or committee performing the functions of an audit committee.

(9) Serving on a committee of the limited partnership or the limited partners for the purpose of approving actions of the general partner.

(10) Calling, requesting, attending, or participating at any meeting of the partners or the limited partners.

(11) Taking any action required or permitted by law to bring, pursue, settle, or terminate a derivative action on behalf of the limited partnership.

(12) Serving on the board of directors or a committee of, consulting with or advising, being or acting as an officer, director, stockholder, partner, member, manager, agent, or employee of, or being or acting as a fiduciary for, any person in which the limited partnership has an interest.

(13) Exercising any right or power permitted to limited partners under this chapter and not specifically enumerated in this subdivision.

(c) The enumeration in subdivision (b) does not mean that any other conduct or the possession or exercise of any other power by a limited partner constitutes participation by the limited partner in the control of the business of the limited partnership.

SEC. 44. Section 15905.06 of the Corporations Code is amended to read:

15905.06. A partner does not have a right to demand or receive any distribution from a limited partnership in any form other than cash. Subject to subdivision (b) of Section 15908.09, a limited partnership may distribute an asset in kind to the extent each partner receives a percentage of the asset equal to the partner's share of distributions.

SEC. 45. Section 15911.12 of the Corporations Code is amended to read:

15911.12. (a) Each limited partnership and other business entity that desires to merge shall approve an agreement of merger. The agreement of merger shall be approved by all general partners of each constituent limited partnership and the principal terms of the merger shall be approved by a majority in interest of each class of limited partners of each constituent limited partnership, unless a greater approval is required by the partnership agreement of the constituent limited partnership. Notwithstanding the previous sentence, if the limited partners of any constituent limited partnership become personally liable for any obligations of a constituent limited partnership or constituent other business entity as a result of the merger, the principal terms of the agreement of merger shall be approved by all of the limited partners of the constituent limited partnership, unless the agreement of merger provides that all limited partners will have the dissenters' rights provided in Article 11.5 (commencing with Section 15911.20). The agreement of merger shall be approved on behalf of each constituent other business entity by those persons required to approve the merger by the laws under which it is organized. Other persons, including a parent of a constituent limited partnership, may be parties to the agreement of merger. The agreement of merger shall state:

(1) The terms and conditions of the merger.

(2) The name and place of organization of the surviving limited partnership or surviving other business entity, and of each disappearing limited partnership and disappearing other business entity, and the agreement of merger may change the name of the surviving limited partnership, which new name may be the same as or similar to the name of a disappearing domestic or foreign limited partnership, subject to Section 15901.08.

(3) The manner of converting the partnership interests of each of the constituent limited partnerships into interests, shares, or other securities of the surviving limited partnership or surviving other business entity, and if partnership interests of any of the constituent limited partnerships are not to be converted solely into interests, shares, or other securities of the surviving limited partnership or surviving other business entity, the cash, property, rights, interests, or securities that the holders of the partnership

interests are to receive in exchange for the partnership interests, which cash, property, rights, interests, or securities may be in addition to or in lieu of interests, shares, or other securities of the surviving limited partnership or surviving other business entity, or that the partnership interests are canceled without consideration.

(4) Any other details or provisions that are required by the laws under which any constituent other business entity is organized, including, if a domestic corporation is a party to the merger, subdivision (b) of Section 1113.

(5) Any other details or provisions that are desired, including, without limitation, a provision for the treatment of fractional partnership interests.

(b) Each limited partnership interest of the same class of any constituent limited partnership, other than a limited partnership interest in another constituent limited partnership that is being canceled and that is held by a constituent limited partnership or its parent or a limited partnership of which the constituent limited partnership is a parent, shall, unless all limited partners of the class consent, be treated equally with respect to any distribution of cash, property, rights, interests, or securities. Notwithstanding this subdivision, except in a merger of a limited partnership with a limited partnership in which it controls at least 90 percent of the limited partnership interests entitled to vote with respect to the merger, the unredeemable limited partnership interests of a constituent limited partnership may be converted only into unredeemable interests or securities of the surviving limited partnership or other business entity or a parent if a constituent limited partnership or a constituent other business entity or its parent owns, directly or indirectly, prior to the merger, limited partnership interests of another constituent limited partnership or interests or securities of a constituent other business entity representing more than 50 percent of the interests or securities entitled to vote with respect to the merger of the other constituent limited partnership or constituent other business entity or more than 50 percent of the voting power, as defined in Section 194.5, of a constituent other business entity that is a domestic corporation, unless all of the limited partners of the class consent. This subdivision shall apply only to constituent limited partnerships with more than 35 limited partners.

(c) Notwithstanding its prior approval, an agreement of merger may be amended prior to the filing of the certificate of merger or the agreement of merger, as provided in Section 15911.14, if the amendment is approved by the general partners of each constituent limited partnership in the same manner as required for approval of the original agreement of merger and, if the amendment changes any of the principal terms of the agreement of merger, the amendment is approved by the limited partners of each constituent limited partnership in the same manner and to the same extent as required for the approval of the original agreement of merger, and by each of the constituent other business entities.

(d) The general partners of a constituent limited partnership may, in their discretion, abandon a merger, subject to the contractual rights, if any, of third parties, including other constituent limited partnerships and constituent other business entities, without further approval by the limited partnership interests, at any time before the merger is effective.

(e) An agreement of merger approved in accordance with subdivision (a) may (1) effect any amendment to the partnership agreement of any constituent limited partnership or (2) effect the adoption of a new partnership agreement for a constituent limited partnership if it is the surviving limited partnership in the merger. Any amendment to a partnership agreement or adoption of a new partnership agreement made pursuant to the foregoing sentence shall be effective at the effective time or date of the merger. Notwithstanding the above provisions of this subdivision, if a greater number of limited partners is required to approve an amendment to the partnership agreement of a constituent limited partnership than is required to approve the agreement of merger pursuant to subdivision (a), and the number of limited partners that approve the agreement of merger is less than the number of limited partners required to approve an amendment to the partnership agreement of the constituent limited partnership, any amendment to the partnership agreement or adoption of a new partnership agreement of that constituent limited partnership made pursuant to the first sentence of this subdivision shall be effective only if the agreement of merger provides that all of the limited partners shall have the dissenters' rights provided in Article 11.5 (commencing with Section 15911.20).

(f) The surviving limited partnership or surviving other business entity shall keep the agreement of merger at its designated office or at the business address specified in paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) of Section 15911.14, as applicable, and, upon the request of a limited partner of a constituent limited partnership or a holder of shares, interests, or other securities of a constituent other business entity, the general partners of the surviving limited partnership or the authorized person of the surviving other business entity shall promptly deliver to the limited partner or the holder of shares, interests, or other securities, at the expense of the surviving limited partnership or surviving other business entity, a copy of the agreement of merger. A waiver by a partner or holder of shares, interests, or other securities of the rights provided in this subdivision shall be unenforceable.

SEC. 46. Section 15911.26 of the Corporations Code is amended to read:

15911.26. (a) If the court appoints an appraiser or appraisers, they shall proceed forthwith to determine the fair market value per interest of the outstanding limited partnership interests of the limited partnership, by class if necessary. Within the time fixed by the court, the appraisers, or a majority of them, shall make and file a report in the office of the clerk of the court. Thereupon, on the motion of any party, the report shall be submitted to the court and considered on any additional evidence as the court considers relevant. If the court finds the report reasonable, the court may confirm it.

(b) If a majority of the appraisers appointed fails to make and file a report within 30 days from the date of their appointment, or within any further time as may be allowed by the court, or the report is not confirmed by the court, the court shall determine the fair market value per interest of the outstanding limited partnership interests of the limited partnership, by class if necessary.

(c) Subject to Section 15911.27, judgment shall be rendered against the limited partnership for payment of an amount equal to the fair market value, as determined by the court, of each dissenting interest which any dissenting limited partner who is a party, or has intervened, is entitled to require the limited partnership to purchase, with interest thereon at the legal rate on judgments from the date of consummation of the reorganization.

(d) Any judgment shall be payable forthwith, provided, however, that with respect to limited partnership interests evidenced by transferable certificates of interest, only upon the endorsement and delivery to the limited partnership of those certificates representing the interests described in the judgment. Any party may appeal from the judgment.

(e) The costs of the action, including reasonable compensation for the appraisers, to be fixed by the court, shall be assessed or apportioned as the court considers equitable, but, if the appraisal exceeds the price offered by the limited partnership, the limited partnership shall pay the costs (including, in the discretion of the court, if the value awarded by the court for the dissenting interest is more than 125 percent of the price offered by the limited partnership under subdivision (a) of Section 15911.22, attorney's fees and fees of expert witnesses).

SEC. 47. Section 317 of the Education Code is amended to read:

317. (a) As a condition for receiving funds under Section 315.5 in any fiscal year, a school district shall collect the following data for use in updating its plans and to make available to the state as requested:

(1) Improvement in adult English-as-a-second-language literacy skill levels in reading, writing, and speaking the English language, numeracy, problemsolving, and other literacy skills.

(2) Improvements in the attendance of pupils with limited-English-language proficiency who have received tutoring from adults who have been identified as participants in programs established pursuant to Sections 315, 315.5, 316, and 316.5.

(b) A school district that receives funding under Section 315.5 shall provide a pretest and a posttest of reading achievement for adult English-as-a-second-language pupils.

(c) The district shall review individual K–12 pupil data from the English language development test administered under Section 60810 and the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program set forth in Article 4 (commencing with Section 60640) of Chapter 5 of Part 33, in order to determine whether there has been achievement progress made by K–12 pupils who were tutored by Community-Based English Tutoring (CBET) Program students.

SEC. 48. Section 10600 of the Education Code is amended to read:

10600. (a) It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this chapter to make complete, current, and reliable information relating to education available to the Legislature and to all public educational agencies in California at maximum efficiency and economy through statewide compatibility in the development and application of information systems and electronic data-processing techniques insofar as they relate to data required in reports to the department.

(b) It is the further intent of the Legislature to recognize the importance, and enhance the stature, of the education profession throughout the state.

(c) The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

(1) According to recent studies, there is a shortage of qualified teachers, particularly in the areas of special education, English language acquisition and development, mathematics, and science, throughout California.

(2) In order for California to remain competitive in the global economy, the Legislature recognizes the necessity of continuing to support the recruitment of individuals to the teaching profession and effective teacher preparation and professional development programs. The Legislature also recognizes the importance of quality instruction to the academic achievement of pupils and of providing each pupil in the public schools with instruction by a highly qualified teacher.

(3) State and local policymakers, local educational agencies, teachers, parents, and pupils all need reliable information regarding participation in the teacher workforce, teacher movement between schools and school districts, the departure of teachers from the workforce before retirement, the appropriateness of teacher assignments, and the effectiveness of teacher credentialing, preparation, induction, recruitment, and support, and would benefit from the availability of more extensive information regarding the teaching profession.

(4) Data regarding the teacher workforce is currently collected and maintained by numerous state and local educational agencies. In order for the Legislature to fulfill its intent in enacting this chapter, it is necessary to integrate the data collected by those existing data systems to provide an understanding of the teacher workforce in the state and the effectiveness of teacher preparation programs. For purposes of integrating data regarding the teacher

workforce in the state, Item 6110-001-0890 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2005 (Chapter 38 of the Statutes of 2005) appropriated funds for the department to contract for a teacher data system feasibility study to determine the feasibility of converting existing data systems into an integrated, comprehensive, longitudinally linked teacher information system that can yield high-quality program evaluations.

(d) It is the intent of the Legislature that the vital goals described in this section be accomplished through the establishment of a comprehensive state education data information system in the department that includes information regarding the teacher workforce.

SEC. 49. Section 10601 of the Education Code is amended to read:

10601. (a) There has been developed by the department the California Education Information System, hereinafter in this chapter called "the system." The function of the system is to establish, conduct, and by continuous concern keep up to date a basic, integrated, statewide information system for education.

(b) The system includes both of the following:

(1) The California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System pursuant to Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 60900) of Part 33, which maintains pupil data regarding demographic, program participation, enrollment, and statewide assessments, in addition to data contained in the California Basic Educational Data System, including certificated staff information collected through the Professional Assignment Information Form prepared by the department.

(2) The California Longitudinal Teacher Integrated Data Education System developed pursuant to Section 10601.5, which enables analysis of workforce trends, evaluation of teacher preparation programs, and the monitoring of teacher assignments. The California Longitudinal Teacher Integrated Data Education System shall maintain data regarding the certificated workforce that is not maintained in the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System and consolidate data that is collected by state agencies and local educational agencies.

(c) Data elements and codes included in the system shall be maintained in compliance with all of the following:

(1) Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 49060) of Part 27 and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

(2) Section 49602.

(3) Section 56347.

(4) The Information Practices Act of 1977 (Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 1798) of Title 1.8 of Part 4 of Division 3 of the Civil Code).

(5) The federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232g) and any federal regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

(d) The department shall adopt regulations to implement this section.

SEC. 50. Section 10601.5 of the Education Code is amended to read:

10601.5. (a) The department, in collaboration with the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, shall contract for the development of a teacher data system to be known as the California Longitudinal Teacher Integrated Data Education System that is based on the results of the teacher data system feasibility study conducted pursuant to Item 6110-001-0890 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2005 (Chapter 38 of the Statutes of 2005). The purpose of the system is to streamline processes, improve the efficiency of data collection by the department, the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, and the Employment Development Department, and improve the quality of data collected from local educational agencies and teacher preparation programs. The system shall be developed and implemented in accordance with all state rules and regulations governing information technology projects.

(b) The system shall serve as the central state repository of information regarding the teacher workforce in the state for purposes of developing and reviewing state policy, identifying workforce trends, and identifying future needs regarding the teaching workforce. It shall also serve to provide high-quality program evaluations, including evaluation of the effectiveness of teacher preparation and induction, and to help improve professional development programs. Additionally, it shall promote the efficient monitoring of teacher assignments as required by state and federal law.

(c) Data in the system shall not be used, either solely or in conjunction with data from the California Longitudinal Pupil

Achievement Data System, for purposes of pay, promotion, sanction, or personnel evaluation of an individual teacher or groups of teachers, or of any other employment decisions related to individual teachers. The system shall not include the names, social security numbers, home addresses, telephone numbers, or e-mail addresses of individual teachers.

(d) The system shall be used to accomplish all of the following goals:

(1) Provide a means to evaluate all of the following:

(A) The effectiveness of teacher preparation programs, including, but not limited to, traditional fifth-year programs, university internship programs, and district-sponsored internship programs.

(B) Teacher workforce issues, including mobility, retention, and attrition.

(2) Streamline and improve the effectiveness and timeliness of assignment monitoring as required by the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.) and by state law.

(3) Enable local educational agencies to monitor teacher assignments on demand.

(e) For purposes of implementing this chapter, including the legislative intent expressed in subdivision (b) of Section 10600, the system shall include all of the following information:

(1) Age profiles of teachers in the workforce.

(2) Projections of the number of retirees in the education system over the next 10 years throughout the state.

(3) Identification of subject matter fields that have the severest shortage of teachers.

(4) Geographic distribution of teachers by credential type.

(5) Present patterns of in-service education for teachers.

(f) The Commission on Teacher Credentialing and accredited teacher preparation programs shall participate in the system by providing available data regarding enrollment in credential programs, credentials issued in each specialization, and certificated persons in each specialty who are not employed in education, and by collaborating with the department in the design and preparation of periodic reports of teacher supply and demand in each specialty and in each geographic region of the state.

(g) The system shall do all of the following:

(1) Utilize and maximize use of existing teacher databases.

(2) Maintain longitudinally linked data without including the names of teachers.

(3) Comply with all state and federal confidentiality and privacy laws.

(h) The Superintendent shall convene a working group to provide advice and guidance on the development and implementation of the system. The group shall include, but is not limited to, representatives from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, the Department of Finance, the Secretary for Education, the Legislative Analyst's Office, the Employment Development Department, and representatives of local educational agencies, postsecondary educational institutions, researchers, teachers, administrators, and parents.

(i) The operation of the system is contingent upon the appropriation of funds for purposes of this section in the annual Budget Act or other legislation.

SEC. 51. Section 15146 of the Education Code is amended to read:

15146. (a) The bonds shall be issued and sold pursuant to Section 15140, payable out of the interest and sinking fund of the district. The governing board may sell the bonds at a negotiated sale or by competitive bidding.

(b) Prior to the sale, the governing board shall adopt a resolution, as an agenda item at a public meeting, that includes all of the following:

(1) Express approval of the method of sale.

(2) Statement of the reasons for the method of sale selected.

(3) Disclosure of the identity of the bond counsel, and the identities of the bond underwriter and the financial adviser if either or both are utilized for the sale, unless these individuals have not been selected at the time the resolution is adopted, in which case the governing board shall disclose their identities at the public meeting occurring after they have been selected.

(4) Estimates of the costs associated with the bond issuance.

(c) After the sale, the governing board shall do both of the following:

(1) Present the actual cost information for the sale at its next scheduled public meeting.

(2) Submit an itemized summary of the costs of the bond sale to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission.

(d) The governing board shall ensure that all necessary information and reports regarding the sale or planned sale of bonds by the school district it governs are submitted to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission in compliance with Section 8855 of the Government Code.

(e) The bonds may be sold at a discount not to exceed 5 percent and at an interest rate not to exceed the maximum rate permitted by law. If the sale is by competitive bid, the governing board shall comply with Sections 15147 and 15148. The bonds shall be sold by the governing board no later than the date designated by the governing board as the final date for the sale of the bonds.

(f) The proceeds of the sale of the bonds, exclusive of any premium received, shall be deposited in the county treasury to the credit of the building fund of the school district, or community college district as designated by the California Community Colleges Budget and Accounting Manual. The proceeds deposited shall be drawn out as other school moneys are drawn out. The bond proceeds withdrawn shall not be applied to any other purposes than those for which the bonds were issued. Any premium or accrued interest received from the sale of the bonds shall be deposited in the interest and sinking fund of the district.

(g) The governing board may cause to be deposited proceeds of sale of any series of the bonds in an amount not exceeding 2 percent of the principal amount of the bonds in a costs of issuance account, which may be created in the county treasury or held by a fiscal agent appointed by the district for this purpose, separate from the building fund and the interest and sinking fund of the district. The proceeds deposited shall be drawn out on the order of the governing board or an officer of the district duly authorized by the governing board to make the order, only to pay authorized costs of issuance of the bonds. Upon the order of the governing board or duly authorized officer, the remaining balance shall be transferred to the county treasury to the credit of the building fund of the school district or community college district. The deposit of bond proceeds pursuant to this subdivision shall be a proper charge against the building fund of the district.

(h) The governing board may cause to be deposited proceeds of sale of any series of the bonds in the interest and sinking fund of the district in the amount of the annual reserve permitted by Section 15250 or in any lesser amount, as the governing board

shall determine from time to time. The deposit of bond proceeds pursuant to this subdivision shall be a proper charge against the building fund of the district.

(i) The governing board may cause to be deposited proceeds of sale of any series of the bonds in the interest and sinking fund of the district in the amount not exceeding the interest scheduled to become due on that series of bonds for a period of two years from the date of issuance of that series of bonds. The deposit of bonds proceeds pursuant to this subdivision shall be a proper charge against the building fund of the district.

SEC. 52. Section 17077.42 of the Education Code is amended to read:

17077.42. In order to be approved for a grant under this article, the applicant district shall demonstrate that it has complied with all of the following:

(a) The school district has entered into a joint-use agreement with a governmental agency, public community college, public college or public university, or a nonprofit organization approved by the board.

(b) The joint-use agreement specifies the method of sharing capital and operating costs, specifies relative responsibilities for the operation and staffing of the facility, and specifies the manner in which the safety of the pupils will be ensured.

(c) The joint-use agreement specifies the amount of the contribution to be made by the school district and the joint-use partner toward the 50-percent local share of eligible project costs. The contribution made by a joint-use partner shall be no less than 25 percent of eligible project costs, unless the school district has passed a local bond which specifies that proceeds of sale of the bonds are to be used for the joint-use project, in which case the school district may opt to provide up to the full 50-percent local share of eligible costs.

(d) The school district demonstrates that the facility will be used to the maximum extent possible for both school and community purposes, or both school and higher education purposes, as applicable.

(e) (1) The project application qualifies for funding under paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 17077.40 and the school district has received all approvals necessary for apportionment under this chapter.

(2) The project qualifies for funding under paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 17077.40 and the school district has completed preliminary plans for the project and has received State Department of Education approval of the plans.

SEC. 53. Section 17078.53 of the Education Code is amended to read:

17078.53. (a) The initial preliminary applications for projects to be funded pursuant to this article shall be submitted to the board by March 31, 2003. Thereafter, the board may establish subsequent application periods as needed.

(b) Preliminary applications may be submitted by eligible applicants as set forth in this article by either of the following:

(1) A school district on behalf of a charter school that is physically located within the geographical jurisdiction of the school district.

(2) A charter school on its own behalf if the charter school has notified both the superintendent and the governing board of the school district in which it is physically located of its intent to do so in writing at least 30 days prior to submission of the preliminary application.

(c) A preliminary application shall demonstrate either of the following:

(1) That a charter petition for the school for which the application is submitted has been granted by the appropriate chartering entity prior to the application deadline determined by the board.

(2) That an already existing charter has been amended to include the school for which the application is submitted and approved by the appropriate chartering entity prior to the deadline determined by the board.

(d) A preliminary application shall include either of the following:

(1) For a preliminary application submitted pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b), the number of unhoused pupils determined pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 17071.75) that will be housed by the project for which the preliminary application has been submitted.

(2) For a preliminary application submitted pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (b), a certification from the governing board of the district within which the charter school is physically

located of the number of unhoused pupils for that district determined pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 17071.75) that will be housed by the project for which the preliminary application has been submitted.

(e) Prior to submitting a preliminary application, the school district and charter school shall consider existing school district facilities in accordance with Section 47614.

(f) The board, after consideration of the recommendations of the authority regarding whether a charter school is financially sound, shall approve the preliminary application and shall make the preliminary apportionment for funding pursuant to this article.

(g) (1) The board shall establish a process to ensure that pupil attendance in a charter school that is physically located within the geographical jurisdiction of a school district is counted as per-pupil eligibility for that school district and to ensure that the same per-pupil attendance is not so counted for any other school district or other applicant under this chapter.

(2) (A) Except as provided pursuant to subparagraph (B) and notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 17071.75, the number of pupils for which facilities are provided under this article shall not be included in the sum determined under subdivision (b) of Section 17071.75.

(B) The number of unhoused pupils determined pursuant to subdivision (d) that will be housed by the project for which a preliminary application has been submitted shall be included in the sum determined under subdivision (b) of Section 17071.75.

(h) The board shall establish a process to be used for release of funds for approved projects pursuant to this article. Notwithstanding Section 17072.30, the board may provide for the release of planning and site acquisition funds prior to the approval of the project by the Department of General Services pursuant to the Field Act, as defined in Section 17281.

SEC. 54. Section 17213 of the Education Code is amended to read:

17213. The governing board of a school district may not approve a project involving the acquisition of a schoolsite by a school district, unless all of the following occur:

(a) The school district, as the lead agency, as defined in Section 21067 of the Public Resources Code, determines that the property purchased or to be built upon is not any of the following:

(1) The site of a current or former hazardous waste disposal site or solid waste disposal site, unless if the site was a former solid waste disposal site, the governing board of the school district concludes that the wastes have been removed.

(2) A hazardous substance release site identified by the Department of Toxic Substances Control in a current list adopted pursuant to Section 25356 of the Health and Safety Code for removal or remedial action pursuant to Chapter 6.8 (commencing with Section 25300) of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code.

(3) A site that contains one or more pipelines, situated underground or aboveground, that carries hazardous substances, extremely hazardous substances, or hazardous wastes, unless the pipeline is a natural gas line that is used only to supply natural gas to that school or neighborhood.

(b) The school district, as the lead agency, as defined in Section 21067 of the Public Resources Code, in preparing the environmental impact report or negative declaration has consulted with the administering agency in which the proposed schoolsite is located, pursuant to Section 2735.3 of Title 19 of the California Code of Regulations, and with any air pollution control district or air quality management district having jurisdiction in the area, to identify both permitted and nonpermitted facilities within that district's authority, including, but not limited to, freeways and other busy traffic corridors, large agricultural operations, and railyards, within one-fourth of a mile of the proposed schoolsite, that might reasonably be anticipated to emit hazardous air emissions, or to handle hazardous or extremely hazardous materials, substances, or waste. The school district, as the lead agency, shall include a list of the locations for which information is sought.

(c) The governing board of the school district makes one of the following written findings:

(1) Consultation identified none of the facilities or significant pollution sources specified in subdivision (b).

(2) The facilities or other pollution sources specified in subdivision (b) exist, but one of the following conditions applies:

(A) The health risks from the facilities or other pollution sources do not and will not constitute an actual or potential endangerment of public health to persons who would attend or be employed at the school.

(B) The governing board finds that corrective measures required under an existing order by another governmental entity that has jurisdiction over the facilities or other pollution sources will, before the school is occupied, result in the mitigation of all chronic or accidental hazardous air emissions to levels that do not constitute an actual or potential endangerment of public health to persons who would attend or be employed at the proposed school. If the governing board makes this finding, the governing board shall also make a subsequent finding, prior to the occupancy of the school, that the emissions have been mitigated to these levels.

(C) For a schoolsite with a boundary that is within 500 feet of the edge of the closest traffic lane of a freeway or other busy traffic corridor, the governing board of the school district determines, through analysis pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 44360 of the Health and Safety Code, based on appropriate air dispersion modeling, and after considering any potential mitigation measures, that the air quality at the proposed site is such that neither short-term nor long-term exposure poses significant health risks to pupils.

(D) The governing board finds that neither of the conditions set forth in subparagraph (B) or (C) can be met, and the school district is unable to locate an alternative site that is suitable due to a severe shortage of sites that meet the requirements in subdivision (a) of Section 17213. If the governing board makes this finding, the governing board shall adopt a statement of Overriding Considerations pursuant to Section 15093 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

(d) As used in this section:

(1) “Hazardous air emissions” means emissions into the ambient air of air contaminants that have been identified as a toxic air contaminant by the State Air Resources Board or by the air pollution control officer for the jurisdiction in which the project is located. As determined by the air pollution control officer, hazardous air emissions also means emissions into the ambient air from any substance identified in subdivisions (a) to (f), inclusive, of Section 44321 of the Health and Safety Code.

(2) “Hazardous substance” means any substance defined in Section 25316 of the Health and Safety Code.

(3) "Extremely hazardous substances" means any material defined pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (g) of Section 25532 of the Health and Safety Code.

(4) "Hazardous waste" means any waste defined in Section 25117 of the Health and Safety Code.

(5) "Hazardous waste disposal site" means any site defined in Section 25114 of the Health and Safety Code.

(6) "Administering agency" means any agency designated pursuant to Section 25502 of the Health and Safety Code.

(7) "Handle" means handle as defined in Article 1 (commencing with Section 25500) of Chapter 6.95 of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code.

(8) "Facilities" means any source with a potential to use, generate, emit or discharge hazardous air pollutants, including, but not limited to, pollutants that meet the definition of a hazardous substance, and whose process or operation is identified as an emission source pursuant to the most recent list of source categories published by the State Air Resources Board.

(9) "Freeway or other busy traffic corridors" means those roadways that, on an average day, have traffic in excess of 50,000 vehicles in a rural area as defined in Section 50101 of the Health and Safety Code, and 100,000 vehicles in an urban area, as defined in Section 50104.7 of the Health and Safety Code.

SEC. 55. Section 22950 of the Education Code is amended to read:

22950. (a) Employers shall contribute monthly to the system 8 percent of the creditable compensation upon which members' contributions under this part are based.

(b) From the contributions required under subdivision (a), there shall be deposited in the Teachers' Retirement Fund an amount, determined by the board, that is not less than the amount, determined in an actuarial valuation of the Defined Benefit Program pursuant to Section 22311.5, necessary to finance the liabilities associated with the benefits of the Defined Benefit Program over the funding period adopted by the board, after taking into account the contributions made pursuant to Sections 22901, 22951, and 22955.

(c) The amount of contributions required under subdivision (a) that is not deposited in the Teachers' Retirement Fund pursuant to subdivision (b) shall be deposited directly into the Teachers'

Health Benefits Fund, as established in Section 25930, and shall not be deposited into or transferred from the Teachers' Retirement Fund.

(d) (1) Notwithstanding subdivisions (b) and (c), there may be deposited into the Teachers' Retirement Program Development Fund, as established in Section 22307.5, from the contributions required under subdivision (a), an amount determined by the board, not to exceed the limit specified in paragraph (2).

(2) The balance of deposits into the Teachers' Retirement Program Development Fund, minus the subsequent transfer of funds, with interest, into the Teachers' Retirement Fund pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 22307.5, shall not exceed 0.01 percent of the total of the creditable compensation of the fiscal year ending in the immediately preceding calendar year upon which member's contributions to the Defined Benefit Program are based.

(3) The deposits described in this subdivision shall not be deposited into, or transferred from, the Teachers' Retirement Fund.

SEC. 56. Section 24300.2 of the Education Code is amended to read:

24300.2. (a) A member who retired and elected an option pursuant to Section 24300 may elect to change options, subject to all of the following:

(1) A member who elected Option 2 may elect to change to the 100 percent beneficiary option described in paragraph (1) or the 75 percent beneficiary option described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 24300.1.

(2) A member who elected Option 3, Option 4, or Option 5 may elect to change to the 75 percent beneficiary option described in paragraph (2) or the 50 percent beneficiary option described in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 24300.1.

(3) A member who elected Option 6 or Option 7 may elect to change to the 75 percent beneficiary option described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 24300.1.

(4) A member who elected Option 8 may elect to have any designated percentage of his or her unmodified allowance changed in accordance with paragraph (1), (2), or (3).

(5) The election by a member under this section is made on or after January 1, 2007, and prior to July 1, 2007.

(6) The member designates the same beneficiary that was designated under the prior option elected by the member, if the

option and beneficiary designation were effective on or before December 31, 2006.

(7) The member and the option beneficiary are not afflicted with a known terminal illness and the member declares, under penalty of perjury under the laws of this state, that to the best of his or her knowledge, he or she and the option beneficiary are not afflicted with a known terminal illness.

(8) The option beneficiary has not predeceased the member as of the effective date of the change in the option by the member.

(b) The change in the option by the member shall be effective on the date the election is signed, provided that the election is on a properly executed form provided by the system and that election is received at the system's headquarters office as described in Section 22375 within 30 days after the date the election is signed.

(c) After receipt of a member's election document, the system shall mail an acknowledgment notice to the member that sets forth the new option elected by the member.

(d) If the member and the option beneficiary are alive and not afflicted with a known terminal illness, a member may cancel the election to change options and elect to receive the benefit according to the preexisting option election. After cancellation, the member may elect to make a one-time change from the preexisting option to any other option provided by and subject to the restrictions of paragraph (1), (2), (3), or (4) of subdivision (a). The cancellation or the cancellation and one-time change shall be made on a properly executed form provided by the system and shall be received at the system's headquarters office as described in Section 22375 no later than 30 calendar days following the date of mailing of the acknowledgment notice. If the member elects to make the one-time change provided by this subdivision, the change shall be effective as of the member's signature date on the initial election to change.

(e) If the system is unable to mail an acknowledgment notice to the member on or before June 1, 2007, or prior to the end of the election period, provided that the member and the option beneficiary are alive and not afflicted with a known terminal illness, the system shall allow a member to cancel the election to change options and elect to receive the benefit according to the preexisting option election. After cancellation, the member may elect to make a one-time change from the preexisting option to any other option provided by and subject to the restrictions of

paragraph (1), (2), (3), or (4) of subdivision (a). The cancellation or the cancellation and one-time change may be made after the end of the election period if it is made on a properly executed form provided by the system and is received at the system's headquarters office as described in Section 22375 no later than 30 days following the date of the acknowledgment notice. If the member elects to make the one-time change provided by this subdivision, the change shall be effective as of the member's signature date on the initial election to change.

(f) If the member elects to change his or her option as described in subdivision (a), the retirement allowance of the member shall be modified in a manner determined by the board to prevent any additional liability to the plan.

(g) The member shall not change options in derogation of a spouse's or former spouse's community property rights as specified in a court order.

SEC. 57. Section 32221.5 of the Education Code is amended to read:

32221.5. (a) A school district that elects to operate an interscholastic athletic team or teams shall include the following statement, printed in boldface type of prominent size, in offers of insurance coverage that are sent to members of school athletic teams:

"Under state law, school districts are required to ensure that all members of school athletic teams have accidental injury insurance that covers medical and hospital expenses. This insurance requirement can be met by the school district offering insurance or other health benefits that cover medical and hospital expenses.

Some pupils may qualify to enroll in no-cost or low-cost local, state, or federally sponsored health insurance programs. Information about these programs may be obtained by calling _____ [Insert toll-free telephone number]."

(b) The statement described in subdivision (a) shall also be incorporated into any other letters or printed materials, in boldface type of prominent size, that contain the name or logo, or both, of the school district and are sent to members of school athletic teams to inform them of the provisions of this article, or any other applicable provision of state law, regarding the provision of insurance protection.

(c) The statement described in subdivision (a) shall include the toll-free telephone number or numbers for any of the following:

(1) The Healthy Families Program.

(2) Medi-Cal.

(3) Any other comparable toll-free telephone number for a no-cost or low-cost local, state, or federally sponsored health insurance program.

(d) All notices regarding insurance protection for members of athletic teams that are sent to team members are required to be translated pursuant to Section 48985.

SEC. 58. Section 33126 of the Education Code is amended to read:

33126. (a) The school accountability report card shall provide data by which a parent can make meaningful comparisons between public schools that will enable him or her to make informed decisions on the school in which to enroll his or her children.

(b) The school accountability report card shall include, but is not limited to, assessment of the following school conditions:

(1) (A) Pupil achievement by grade level, as measured by the standardized testing and reporting programs pursuant to Article 4 (commencing with Section 60640) of Chapter 5 of Part 33.

(B) Pupil achievement in and progress toward meeting reading, writing, arithmetic, and other academic goals, including results by grade level from the assessment tool used by the school district using percentiles when available for the most recent three-year period.

(C) After the state develops a statewide assessment system pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 60600) and Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 60800) of Part 33, pupil achievement by grade level, as measured by the results of the statewide assessment.

(D) Secondary schools with high school seniors shall list both the average verbal and math Scholastic Assessment Test scores to the extent provided to the school and the percentage of seniors taking that exam for the most recent three-year period.

(2) Progress toward reducing dropout rates, including the one-year dropout rate listed in the California Basic Educational Data System or any successor data system for the schoolsite over the most recent three-year period, and the graduation rate, as

defined by the State Board of Education, over the most recent three-year period when available pursuant to Section 52052.

(3) Estimated expenditures per pupil and types of services funded. The assessment of estimated expenditures per pupil shall reflect the actual salaries of personnel assigned to the schoolsite. The assessment of estimated expenditures per pupil shall be reported in total, shall be reported in subtotal by restricted and by unrestricted source, and shall include a reporting of the average of actual salaries paid to certificated instructional personnel at that schoolsite.

(4) Progress toward reducing class sizes and teaching loads, including the distribution of class sizes at the schoolsite by grade level, the average class size, and, if applicable, the percentage of pupils in kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, participating in the Class Size Reduction Program established pursuant to Chapter 6.10 (commencing with Section 52120) of Part 28, using California Basic Educational Data System or any successor data system information for the most recent three-year period.

(5) The total number of the school's fully credentialed teachers, the number of teachers relying upon emergency credentials, the number of teachers working without credentials, any assignment of teachers outside their subject areas of competence, misassignments, including misassignments of teachers of English learners, and the number of vacant teacher positions for the most recent three-year period.

(A) For purposes of this paragraph, "vacant teacher position" means a position to which a single-designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the year for an entire year or, if the position is for a one-semester course, a position of which a single-designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of a semester for an entire semester.

(B) For purposes of this paragraph, "misassignment" means the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position for which the employee does not hold a legally recognized certificate or credential or the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position that the employee is not otherwise authorized by statute to hold.

(6) (A) Quality and currency of textbooks and other instructional materials, including whether textbooks and other materials meet state standards and are adopted by the State Board

of Education for kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive, and adopted by the governing boards of school districts for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, and the ratio of textbooks per pupil and the year the textbooks were adopted.

(B) The availability of sufficient textbooks and other instructional materials, as determined pursuant to Section 60119, for each pupil, including English learners, in each of the areas enumerated in clauses (i) to (iii), inclusive. If the governing board determines, pursuant to Section 60119 that there are insufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, it shall include information for each school in which an insufficiency exists, identifying the percentage of pupils who lack sufficient standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials in each subject area. The subject areas to be included are all of the following:

(i) The core curriculum areas of reading/language arts, mathematics, science, and history/social science.

(ii) Foreign language and health.

(iii) Science laboratory equipment for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, as appropriate.

(7) The availability of qualified personnel to provide counseling and other pupil support services, including the ratio of academic counselors per pupil.

(8) Availability of qualified substitute teachers.

(9) Safety, cleanliness, and adequacy of school facilities, including any needed maintenance to ensure good repair as specified in Section 17014, Section 17032.5, subdivision (a) of Section 17070.75, and subdivision (b) of Section 17089.

(10) Adequacy of teacher evaluations and opportunities for professional improvement, including the annual number of schooldays dedicated to staff development for the most recent three-year period.

(11) Classroom discipline and climate for learning, including suspension and expulsion rates for the most recent three-year period.

(12) Teacher and staff training, and curriculum improvement programs.

(13) Quality of school instruction and leadership.

(14) The degree to which pupils are prepared to enter the workforce.

(15) The total number of instructional minutes offered in the school year, separately stated for each grade level, as compared to the total number of the instructional minutes per school year required by state law, separately stated for each grade level.

(16) The total number of minimum days, as specified in Sections 46112, 46113, 46117, and 46141, in the school year.

(17) The number of advanced placement courses offered, by subject.

(18) The Academic Performance Index, including the disaggregation of subgroups as set forth in Section 52052 and the decile rankings and a comparison of schools.

(19) Whether a school qualified for the Immediate Intervention Underperforming Schools Program pursuant to Section 52053 and whether the school applied for, and received a grant pursuant to, that program.

(20) Whether the school qualifies for the Governor's Performance Award Program.

(21) When available, the percentage of pupils, including the disaggregation of subgroups, as set forth in Section 52052, completing grade 12 who successfully complete the high school exit examination, as set forth in Sections 60850 and 60851, as compared to the percentage of pupils in the district and statewide completing grade 12 who successfully complete the examination.

(22) Contact information pertaining to any organized opportunities for parental involvement.

(23) For secondary schools, the percentage of graduates who have passed course requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University pursuant to Section 51225.3 and the percentage of pupils enrolled in those courses, as reported by the California Basic Educational Data System or any successor data system.

(24) Whether the school has a college admissions test preparation course program.

(25) Career technical education data measures, including all of the following:

(A) A list of programs offered by the school district in which pupils at the school may participate and that are aligned to the model curriculum standards adopted pursuant to Section 51226, and program sequences offered by the school district. The list

should identify courses conducted by a regional occupation center or program, and those conducted directly by the school district.

(B) A listing of the primary representative of the career technical advisory committee of the school district and the industries represented.

(C) The number of pupils participating in career technical education.

(D) The percentage of pupils that complete a career technical education program and earn a high school diploma.

(E) The percentage of career technical education courses that are sequenced or articulated between a school and institutions of postsecondary education.

(c) If the Commission on State Mandates finds a school district is eligible for a reimbursement of costs incurred complying with this section, the school district shall be reimbursed only if the information provided in the school accountability report card is accurate, as determined by the annual audit performed pursuant to Section 41020. If the information is determined to be inaccurate, the school district remains eligible for reimbursement if the information is corrected by May 15.

(d) It is the intent of the Legislature that schools make a concerted effort to notify parents of the purpose of the school accountability report cards, as described in this section, and ensure that all parents receive a copy of the report card; to ensure that the report cards are easy to read and understandable by parents; to ensure that local educational agencies with access to the Internet make available current copies of the report cards through the Internet; and to ensure that administrators and teachers are available to answer any questions regarding the report cards.

SEC. 59. Section 33126.1 of the Education Code is amended to read:

33126.1. (a) The department shall develop and recommend for adoption by the State Board of Education a standardized template intended to simplify the process for completing the school accountability report card and make the school accountability report card more meaningful to the public.

(b) The standardized template shall include fields for the insertion of data and information by the department and by local educational agencies, including a field to report the determination of the sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials, pursuant

to Section 60119, and a summary statement of the condition of school facilities, as required by Section 17014, Section 17032.5, subdivision (a) of Section 17070.75, and subdivision (b) of Section 17089. The department shall provide examples of summary statements of the condition of school facilities that are acceptable and those that are unacceptable. When the template for a school is completed, it should enable parents and guardians to compare the manner in which local schools compare to other schools within that district as well as other schools in the state.

(c) In conjunction with the development of the standardized template, the department shall furnish standard definitions for school conditions included in the school accountability report card. The standard definitions shall comply with the following:

(1) Definitions shall be consistent with the definitions already in place or under development at the state level pursuant to existing law.

(2) Definitions shall enable schools to furnish contextual or comparative information to assist the public in understanding the information in relation to the performance of other schools.

(3) Definitions shall specify the data for which the department will be responsible for providing and the data and information for which the local educational agencies will be responsible.

(d) By December 1, 2000, the department shall report to the State Board of Education on the school conditions for which it already has standard definitions in place or under development. The report shall include a survey of the conditions for which the department has valid and reliable data at the state, district, or school level. The report shall provide a timetable for the inclusion of conditions for which standard definitions or valid and reliable data do not yet exist through the department.

(e) By December 1, 2000, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall recommend and the State Board of Education shall appoint 13 members to serve on a broad-based advisory committee of local administrators, educators, parents, and other knowledgeable parties to develop definitions for the school conditions for which standard definitions do not yet exist. The State Board of Education may designate outside experts in performance measurements in support of activities of the advisory board.

(f) By January 1, 2001, the State Board of Education shall approve available definitions for inclusion in the template as well as a timetable for the further development of definitions and data collection procedures. By July 1, 2001, and each year thereafter, the State Board of Education shall adopt the template for the current year's school accountability report card. Definitions for all school conditions shall be included in the template by July 1, 2002.

(g) The department shall annually post the completed and viewable template on the Internet. The template shall be designed to allow schools or districts to download the template from the Internet. The template shall further be designed to allow local educational agencies, including individual schools, to enter data into the school accountability report card electronically, individualize the report card, and further describe the data elements. The department shall establish model guidelines and safeguards that may be used by school districts secured access only for those school officials authorized to make modifications.

(h) The department shall maintain current Internet links with the Web sites of local educational agencies to provide parents and the public with easy access to the school accountability report cards maintained on the Internet. In order to ensure the currency of these Internet links, local educational agencies that provide access to school accountability report cards through the Internet shall furnish current Uniform Resource Locators (URLs) for their Web sites to the department.

(i) A school or school district that chooses not to utilize the standardized template adopted pursuant to this section shall report the data for its school accountability report card in a manner that is consistent with the definitions adopted pursuant to subdivision (c).

(j) The department shall provide recommendations for changes to the California Basic Educational Data System, or any successor data system, and other data collection mechanisms to ensure that the information will be preserved and available in the future.

(k) Local educational agencies shall make these school accountability report cards available through the Internet or through paper copies.

(*l*) The department shall monitor the compliance of local educational agencies with the requirements to prepare and to distribute school accountability report cards.

SEC. 60. Section 33353 of the Education Code is amended to read:

33353. (a) The California Interscholastic Federation is a voluntary organization that consists of school and school-related personnel with responsibility for administering interscholastic athletic activities in secondary schools. It is the intent of the Legislature that the California Interscholastic Federation, in consultation with the department, implement the following policies:

(1) Give the governing boards of school districts specific authority to select their athletic league representatives.

(2) Require that all league, section, and state meetings affiliated with the California Interscholastic Federation be subject to the notice and hearing requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 54950) of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code).

(3) Establish a neutral final appeals body to hear complaints related to interscholastic athletic policies.

(4) Provide information to parents and pupils regarding the state and federal complaint procedures for discrimination complaints arising out of interscholastic athletic activities.

(b) (1) The California Interscholastic Federation shall report to the Legislature and the Governor on its evaluation and accountability activities undertaken pursuant to this section on or before January 1, 2010. This report shall include, but not be limited to, the goals and objectives of the California Interscholastic Federation with regard to, and the status of, all of the following:

(A) The governing structure of the California Interscholastic Federation, and the effectiveness of that governance structure in providing leadership for interscholastic athletics in secondary schools.

(B) Methods to facilitate communication with agencies, organizations, and public entities whose functions and interests interface with the California Interscholastic Federation.

(C) The quality of coaching and officiating, including, but not limited to, professional development for coaches and athletic administrators, and parent education programs.

(D) Gender equity in interscholastic athletics, including, but not limited to, the number of male and female pupils participating in interscholastic athletics in secondary schools, and action taken by the California Interscholastic Federation in order to ensure compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1681 et seq.).

(E) Health and safety of pupils, coaches, officials, and spectators.

(F) The economic viability of interscholastic athletics in secondary schools, including, but not limited to, the promotion and marketing of interscholastic athletics.

(G) New and continuing programs available to pupil-athletes.

(H) Awareness and understanding of emerging issues related to interscholastic athletics in secondary schools.

(2) It is the intent of the Legislature that the California Interscholastic Federation accomplish all of the following:

(A) During years in which the California Interscholastic Federation is not required to report to the Legislature and the Governor pursuant to paragraph (1), it shall hold a public comment period relating to that report at three regularly scheduled federation council meetings per year.

(B) Annually allow public comment on the policies and practices of the California Interscholastic Federation at a regularly scheduled federation council meeting.

(C) Require sections of the California Interscholastic Federation to allow public comment on the policies and practices of the California Interscholastic Federation and its sections, and the report required pursuant to paragraph (1), at each regularly scheduled section meeting.

(D) Engage in a comprehensive outreach effort to promote the public hearings described in subparagraphs (A) and (C).

(c) This section shall become inoperative on January 1, 2012, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2012, deletes or extends that date.

SEC. 61. Section 33354 of the Education Code is amended to read:

33354. (a) The department shall have the following authority over interscholastic athletics:

(1) The department may state that the policies of school districts, of associations or consortia of school districts, and of the California

Interscholastic Federation, concerning interscholastic athletics, are in compliance with both state and federal law.

(2) (A) If the department states that a school district, an association, consortium of school districts, or the California Interscholastic Federation is not in compliance with state or federal law, the department may require the school district, association, consortium, or the federation to adjust its policy so that it is in compliance. However, the department shall not have authority to determine the specific policy that a school district must adopt in order to comply with state and federal law.

(B) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a complainant from a public school who wishes to file a discrimination complaint pursuant to the regulations adopted for the purpose of implementing Section 261 based on interscholastic activities conducted by an association, a consortium of school districts, or by the California Interscholastic Federation, is not required to first file a discrimination complaint with a school district, but may file an initial discrimination complaint directly with the department, and the department shall have the authority to specify, with regard to a specific discrimination complaint, the administrative remedies that an association, a consortium of school districts, or the California Interscholastic Federation must provide in order to comply with state or federal law.

(3) If the department states that a school district, association, consortium, or the federation is not in compliance with state or federal law in matters relating to interscholastic activities, and the school district, association, consortium, or the federation does not change its policy in order to comply with these laws, the department may commence with appropriate legal proceedings against the California Interscholastic Federation, the school district or against school districts that are members of the California Interscholastic Federation or the association or consortium that the department states is in noncompliance. In a legal proceeding, the court shall determine the matter de novo. The department may make recommendations for appropriate remedies in these proceedings.

(b) This section does not limit the discretion of local governing boards, or voluntary associations formed or maintained pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 35179, in any policy, program, or activity that is in compliance with state and federal law.

(c) The state law with which the policies of school districts, associations, or consortia of school districts, and of the California Interscholastic Federation, concerning interscholastic athletics, are required to comply, in accordance with this section, includes, but is not limited to, any regulations issued by the state board pursuant to Section 221.1 with regard to discrimination in interscholastic athletics.

SEC. 62. Section 33370 of the Education Code is amended to read:

33370. (a) There is hereby created within the department an American Indian Education Unit, which shall provide technical support to, and proper administrative oversight of, American Indian education programs established by the state in order to ensure that American Indian pupils in California public schools are able to meet the challenging academic standards of the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.) and that those programs reflect the cultural and educational standards stated in Executive Order No. 13336, 69 Federal Register 25295 (May 5, 2004), relating to American Indian and Alaska Native Education.

(b) The Superintendent shall appoint an American Indian Education Unit Manager who shall oversee the American Indian Education Unit.

(c) The duties of the American Indian Education Unit shall include development of clear, consistent, and effective operating policies and procedures that include measures to ensure that the learning needs of American Indian pupils are being adequately addressed.

(d) The department shall ensure that staff are properly trained in the application of the policies adopted pursuant to subdivision (c) and that the policies are consistent with the legislative intent relating to the California American Indian Education Program and with Section 11019.6 of, subdivisions (d) and (f) of Section 11340 of, and Section 11342.2 of, the Government Code.

(e) The department shall prescribe the following:

(1) The data that California American Indian education centers shall report on an annual basis in order to measure program performance.

(2) On or before January 1, 2011, the department shall conduct an evaluation of the centers to determine whether to renew the

application of each existing center or instead to approve an application to establish a new center.

(3) A description of the consequences for failing to submit the data.

(f) The department shall adopt policies that include:

(1) An equitable process that will be used to select centers that will receive grant awards and determine their respective funding amounts.

(2) Establish a prompt timeframe for disbursing approved payments to the centers.

(3) A monitoring process and plan to ensure that fiscal and program information reported by the centers is accurate and complete, including a process for corrective action and investigation by the department for noncompliance. The process shall be based upon consistent and equitable principles.

(4) The incorporation of culturally responsive methodologies in order to ensure that an optimal educational program for American Indian pupils is supported and maintained.

(5) Ensuring respect for the federal trust and sovereign nation status of California American Indian tribes.

(g) The Superintendent, with input from existing center directors, shall appoint an American Indian Education Oversight Committee by January 30, 2007, composed of at least seven educators, four of whom shall be California American Indian education center directors. All members shall possess proven knowledge of current educational policies relating to, and issues faced by, American Indian communities in California. This committee shall provide input and advice to the Superintendent on all aspects of American Indian education programs established by the state.

SEC. 63. Section 35179 of the Education Code is amended to read:

35179. (a) Each school district governing board shall have general control of, and be responsible for, all aspects of the interscholastic athletic policies, programs, and activities in its district, including, but not limited to, eligibility, season of sport, number of sports, personnel, and sports facilities. In addition, the board shall ensure that all interscholastic policies, programs, and activities in its district are in compliance with state and federal law.

(b) Governing boards may enter into associations or consortia with other boards for the purpose of governing regional or statewide interscholastic athletic programs by permitting the public schools under their jurisdictions to enter into a voluntary association with other schools for the purpose of enacting and enforcing rules relating to eligibility for, and participation in, interscholastic athletic programs among and between schools.

(c) Each governing board, or its designee, shall represent the individual schools located within its jurisdiction in any voluntary association of schools formed or maintained pursuant to this section.

(d) No voluntary interscholastic athletic association, of which any public school is a member, shall discriminate against, or deny the benefits of any program to, any person on any basis prohibited by Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 200) of Part 1.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no voluntary interscholastic athletic association shall deny a school from participating in interscholastic athletic activities because of the religious tenets of the school, regardless of whether that school is directly controlled by a religious organization.

(f) Interscholastic athletics is defined as those policies, programs, and activities that are formulated or executed in conjunction with, or in contemplation of, athletic contests between two or more schools, either public or private.

SEC. 64. Section 35900 of the Education Code is amended to read:

35900. (a) The Legislature finds and declares both of the following:

(1) As the largest school district in California and an urban district with high numbers of pupils from historically disadvantaged groups, the Los Angeles Unified School District has unique challenges and resources that require and deserve special attention to ensure that all pupils are given the opportunity to reach their full potential.

(2) The freedom to deviate from the strictures of generally applicable education statutes and regulations while maintaining the constant commitment to fairness and equity, and to increasing academic achievement among all pupils regardless of background, is central to the success of quality schools in California and is

appropriate, as a concept, for the unique circumstances of the Los Angeles Unified School District.

(b) It is the intent of the Legislature that the Los Angeles Unified School District achieve the following pupil learning and academic achievement expectations through the enactment of this chapter:

(1) Significantly improved pupil learning and academic achievement based on the academic standards of the state, graduation requirements, and other standards for assessing the achievement of pupils, as measured by the California Standards Tests administered pursuant to Article 4 (commencing with Section 60640) of Chapter 5 of Part 33 and other valid and reliable assessments of academic achievement.

(2) Significantly improved graduation rates and significantly reduced dropout rates.

(3) A significant reduction in the academic achievement gap among racial and ethnic groups, between pupils with exceptional needs and pupils without those needs, and between English language learners and pupils who are fluent in English, so that all pupils are attaining similar, acceptable levels of academic achievement.

(4) Parent involvement and satisfaction with the schools that their children attend.

(5) The success of English language learner pupils in developing English language proficiency and increased redesignation as measured by the California English Language Development Test.

(c) It is the intent of the Legislature that the schools and administration of the Los Angeles Unified School District ensure that:

(1) All schools are clean and safe places for pupils and school staff.

(2) Each pupil has a qualified teacher who has had appropriate professional development for the one or more grades and subjects that he or she teaches.

(3) Each school has a principal who has had appropriate professional development to improve his or her ability as an educational leader to assist in improving teaching and learning at the school to which he or she is assigned, in building strong educational teams, and in promoting parental involvement and community relations.

(4) There is transparency in the fiscal affairs of the schools and the school district.

(5) Parents, teachers, and other school staff are full partners in the decisions that affect schools.

(6) The district is decentralized to reduce management bureaucracies and increase resources to schools and classrooms.

(7) Class sizes are at or below statewide averages for the corresponding grade levels.

(8) Every segment of the school community is held accountable for the achievement of the goals described in this section.

(d) Except as expressly and specifically stated in this chapter, it is the intent of the Legislature that the application of Part 25 (commencing with Section 44000) of this code and Chapter 10.7 (commencing with Section 3540) of Division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code to the Los Angeles Unified School District not be changed or altered.

(e) It is further the intent of the Legislature that, in performing the school-related duties set forth in this chapter, the council of mayors described in Section 35920 and the partnership described in Section 35931, which includes the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, function as agencies authorized to maintain public schools, similar to a school district or county office of education. The council of mayors and the partnership are, therefore, a part of the public school system of the state in performing the duties established in this chapter within the meaning of Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

(f) Consistent with the council of mayors' status as part of the public school system, nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require any city to expend city resources on services to the Los Angeles Unified School District or its pupils unless the expenditure is the result of a city's legislative act taken pursuant to the city's ordinary legislative decisionmaking process. Similarly, any liability incurred by any member of the council of mayors or mayor's community partnership for education excellence in undertaking any of the functions described in this chapter shall be borne by the Los Angeles Unified School District and not by the County of Los Angeles, or any of the cities within its boundaries.

SEC. 65. Section 35932 of the Education Code is amended to read:

35932. (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, and except for the authority to negotiate and enforce collective bargaining agreements, all authority exercised by the board and the district superintendent with respect to the schools in the demonstration project shall be transferred to the partnership described in subdivision (a) of Section 35931, which is directed by the mayor. In a manner consistent with districtwide collective bargaining agreements, the partnership may seek waivers, pursuant to Section 35910, from the state board and authority to operate the schools in the demonstration project with maximum flexibility and efficiency.

(b) The schools in the demonstration project shall continue to exist as district schools, and employees at the schools shall be deemed to be district employees with all the rights of district employees.

(c) Schools in the demonstration project shall continue to be funded with district resources, including average daily attendance revenue and state or federal categorical or other targeted funding generated by, or granted based on, the pupils in the schools in each cluster. That funding may also be supplemented by private funds, recorded and accounted for by the partnership. The LAUSD shall provide funds and may assess costs to partnership schools, provided that these schools shall receive the same benefit from any new or increased local, state, or federal funding that these schools would receive if they were not partnership schools.

(d) The partnership schools and the LAUSD shall develop a budget and cost system that carries out the provisions of this section.

(e) The LAUSD shall not take actions that have negative fiscal consequences for partnership schools due to their participation in the partnership.

SEC. 66. Section 37220 of the Education Code is amended to read:

37220. (a) Except as otherwise provided, the public schools shall close on the following holidays:

(1) January 1.

(2) The third Monday in January or the Monday or Friday in the week in which January 15 occurs, known as “Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.” On the Friday preceding the day on which schools are closed, schools shall include exercises commemorating and

directing attention to the history of the civil rights movement in the United States and particularly the role therein of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

(3) The Monday or Friday of the week in which February 12 occurs, known as "Lincoln Day." On the day that school is in session prior to the day on which schools are closed for that purpose, all public schools and educational institutions throughout the state shall hold exercises in memory of Abraham Lincoln.

(4) The third Monday in February, known as "Washington Day." On the Friday preceding, all public schools and educational institutions throughout the state shall hold exercises in memory of George Washington.

(5) The last Monday in May, known as "Memorial Day."

(6) July 4.

(7) The first Monday in September, known as "Labor Day."

(8) November 11, known as "Veterans Day."

(9) That Thursday in November proclaimed by the President as "Thanksgiving Day."

(10) December 25.

(11) All days appointed by the Governor for a public fast, thanksgiving, or holiday, and all special or limited holidays on which the Governor provides that the schools shall close.

(12) All days appointed by the President as a public fast, thanksgiving, or holiday, unless it is a special or limited holiday.

(13) Any other day designated as a holiday by the governing board of the school district.

(b) When any of the holidays on which the schools would be closed falls on Sunday, the public schools shall close on the Monday following.

(c) When any of the holidays on which the schools would be closed falls on Saturday, the public schools shall close on the preceding Friday, and that Friday shall be declared a state holiday.

(d) If any holiday on which the public schools are required to close pursuant to subdivision (a) occurs under federal law on a date different from the date specified in subdivision (a), the governing board of any school district may close the public schools of the district on the date recognized by federal law and maintain classes on the date specified in subdivision (a).

(e) Except for Veterans Day, as designated in paragraph (8) of subdivision (a), the governing board of a school district, by

adoption of a resolution, may revise the date upon which the schools of the district close in observance of any of the holidays identified in subdivision (a).

(f) The governing board of a school district may not request a waiver of paragraph (8) of subdivision (a) from the state board.

(g) This section does not prohibit a school district from authorizing its facilities or grounds to be used in accordance with Section 38131 on those days on which the public schools are closed.

SEC. 67. Section 41207.1 of the Education Code is amended to read:

41207.1. (a) Notwithstanding Section 41206, the minimum state educational funding guarantee for school districts and community college districts for the 2004–05 fiscal year, as determined pursuant to Chapter 213 of the Statutes of 2004, is forty-eight billion six hundred seventy-five million six hundred seventy-four thousand dollars ($48,675,674,000), creating an outstanding balance of one billion six hundred twenty million nine hundred twenty-eight thousand dollars ($1,620,928,000). The outstanding balance shall be appropriated and allocated pursuant to Article 3.7 (commencing with Section 52055.700) of Chapter 6.1 of Part 28.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 41206, the outstanding balance of the minimum state educational funding requirement for school districts and community college districts required by subdivision (b) of Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution in the 2005–06 fiscal year shall be determined using actual data agreed to by the Superintendent and the Director of Finance no later than January 31, 2008. The Director of Finance shall provide a written notification to the Legislature within one month after completion of the determination, detailing the data of the determination. The outstanding balance shall be appropriated and allocated pursuant to Article 3.7 (commencing with Section 52055.700) of Chapter 6.1 of Part 28.

(c) When the amount determined to be owed for the 2004–05 and 2005–06 fiscal years pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) is fully appropriated and allocated pursuant to Article 3.7 (commencing with Section 52055.700) of Chapter 6.1 of Part 28, the data used in the computations made under subdivisions (a) and (b) and the total amount owed by the state for the support of school districts

and community college districts pursuant to Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution and Chapter 213 of the Statutes of 2004 for those fiscal years, including as much of the maintenance factor for those fiscal years determined pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 8 of Article XVI as has been allocated as required by subdivision (e) of Section 8 of Article XVI by virtue of the payments made under this section, shall be deemed certified for purposes of Section 41206.

SEC. 68. Section 42238.51 of the Education Code, as added by Section 2 of Chapter 653 of the Statutes of 2006, is amended to read:

42238.51. (a) For purposes of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 42238.5, a sponsoring school district's average daily attendance shall be computed as follows:

(1) Compute the sponsoring school district's regular average daily attendance in the current year, excluding the attendance of pupils in charter schools.

(2) (A) Compute the regular average daily attendance used to calculate the second principal apportionment of the school district for the prior year, excluding the attendance of pupils in charter schools.

(B) Compute the attendance of pupils who attended one or more noncharter schools of the school district between July 1, and the last day of the second period, inclusive, in the prior year, and who attended a charter school sponsored by the school district between July 1, and the last day of the second period, inclusive, in the current year. For the purposes of this paragraph, a pupil enrolled in a grade at a charter school sponsored by the school district shall not be counted if the school district does not offer classes for pupils enrolled in that grade. The amount of the attendance counted for any pupil for the purpose of this subparagraph may not be greater than the attendance claimed for that pupil by the charter school in the current year.

(C) Compute the attendance of pupils who attended a charter school sponsored by the school district in the prior year and who attended one or more noncharter schools of the school district in the current year. The amount of the attendance counted for any pupil for the purpose of this subparagraph may not be greater than the attendance claimed for that pupil by the school district in the current year.

(D) From the amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (B), subtract the amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (C). If the result is less than zero, the amount shall be deemed to be zero.

(E) The prior year average daily attendance determined pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall be reduced by the amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (D).

(3) To the greater of the amounts computed pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (2), add the regular average daily attendance in the current year of all pupils attending charter schools sponsored by the district that are not funded pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 47633) of Chapter 6 of Part 26.

(b) For the purposes of this section, a "sponsoring school district" shall mean a "sponsoring local educational agency," as defined in Section 47632.

(c) This section shall become operative on July 1, 2007.

SEC. 69. Section 44041 of the Education Code is amended to read:

44041. (a) (1) The governing board of each school district when drawing an order for the salary payment due to employees of the district shall, without charge, reduce the order by the amount which it has been requested in a revocable written authorization by the employee to deduct for any or all of the following purposes:

(A) Paying premiums on any policy or certificate of group life insurance for the benefit of the employee or for group disability insurance, or legal expense insurance, or any of them, for the benefit of the employee or his or her dependents issued by an admitted insurer on a form of policy or certificate approved by the Insurance Commissioner.

(B) Paying rates, dues, fees, or other periodic charges on any hospital service contract for the benefit of the employee, or his or her dependents, issued by a nonprofit hospital service corporation on a form approved by the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 11A (commencing with Section 11491) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Insurance Code.

(C) Paying periodic charges on any medical and hospital service agreement or contract for the benefit of the employee, or his or her dependents, issued by a nonprofit corporation subject to Part 2 (commencing with Section 5110) of, Part 3 (commencing with Section 7110) of, or Part 11 (commencing with Section 10810) of, Division 2 of Title 1 of the Corporations Code.

(D) Paying periodic charges on any legal services contract for the benefit of the employee, or his or her dependents issued by a nonprofit corporation subject to Part 3 (commencing with Section 7110) of, or Part 11 (commencing with Section 10810) of, Division 2 of Title 1 of the Corporations Code.

(2) This subdivision shall not apply to subdivision (b).

(b) For purposes of a deferred compensation plan authorized by Section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code or an annuity program authorized by Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code that is offered by the school district which provides for investments in corporate stocks, bonds, securities, mutual funds, or annuities, except as prohibited by the California Constitution, the governing board of each school district when drawing an order for the salary payment due to an employee of the district shall, with or without charge, reduce the order by the amount which it has been requested in a revocable written authorization by the employee to deduct for participating in a deferred compensation plan or annuity program offered by the school district. The governing board shall determine the cost of performing the requested deduction and may collect that cost from the organization, entity, or employee requesting or authorizing the deduction. For purposes of this subdivision, the governing board of a school district is entitled to include in the amounts reducing the order the costs of any compliance or administrative services that are required to perform the requested deduction in compliance with federal or state law, and may collect these costs from the participating employee, the employee's participant account, or the organization or entity authorizing the deduction.

(c) The governing board of the district shall, beginning with the month designated by the employee and each month thereafter until authorization for the deduction is revoked, draw its order upon the funds of the district in favor of the insurer which has issued the policies or certificates or in favor of the nonprofit hospital service corporation which has issued hospital service contracts, or in favor of the nonprofit corporation which has issued medical and hospital service or legal service agreements or contracts, for an amount equal to the total of the respective deductions therefor made during the month. The governing board may require that the employee submit his or her authorization for the deduction up to one month in advance of the effective date of coverage.

(d) "Group insurance" as used in this section shall mean only a bona fide group program of life or disability or life and disability insurance where a master contract is held by the school district or an employee organization but it shall, nevertheless, include annuity programs authorized by Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code when approved by the governing board.

SEC. 70. Section 44041.5 of the Education Code is amended to read:

44041.5. (a) For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) "Annuity contract" means an annuity contract described in Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code that is available to employees as described in Section 770.3 of the Insurance Code.

(2) "Custodial account" means a custodial account described in Section 403(b)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(3) "Deferred compensation plan" means a plan described in Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(4) "Employer" means a school district or county office of education.

(5) "Third-party administrator" means a person or entity that provides administrative or compliance services to an employer as described in subdivision (b).

(b) An employer may enter into a written contract with a third-party administrator for services regarding an annuity contract and custodial account or a deferred compensation plan provided by the employer. That contract may include any of the following:

(1) Services to ensure compliance with either Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code regarding the annuity contract and custodial account or Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code regarding a deferred compensation plan, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

(A) Administer and maintain written plan documents governing the employer's plan.

(B) Review and authorize hardship withdrawal requests under Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, transfer requests, loan requests, unforeseeable emergency withdrawals under Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and other disbursements permitted under either Section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(C) Review and determine domestic relations orders as qualified domestic relations orders as described in Section 414(p) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(D) Provide notice to eligible employees that is consistent with Title 26 of the Code of Federal Regulations that those employees may participate in an annuity contract and custodial account.

(E) Administer and maintain specimen salary reduction agreements for the employer and employees of that employer to initiate payroll deferrals.

(F) Monitor, from information provided either directly from the employee, as part of the common remitting services provided pursuant to paragraph (2), through information provided by the employer, or through information provided by vendors authorized by the employer to provide investment products, the maximum contributions allowed by employees participating in either the annuity contract and custodial account as described in Sections 402(g), 414(v), and 415 of the Internal Revenue Code or the deferred compensation plan as described in Section 414(v) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(G) Calculate and maintain vesting information for contributions made by the employer to the annuity contract and custodial account or deferred compensation plan.

(H) Identify and notify employees that are required to take a minimum distribution of the funds in that employee's annuity contract and custodial account or deferred compensation plan as described in Section 401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(I) Coordinate responses to the Internal Revenue Service if there is an Internal Revenue Service audit of the annuity contract and custodial account or deferred compensation plan.

(2) Services to administer the annuity contract and custodial account or a deferred compensation plan that includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:

(A) Common remitting services.

(B) General educational information to employees about the annuity contract and custodial account or the deferred compensation plan that includes, but is not limited to, the enrollment process, program eligibility, and investment options.

(C) Internal reports for the employer to ensure compliance with either Section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and compliance with Title 26 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

(D) Consulting services related to the design, operation, and administration of the plan.

(E) Internal audits, on behalf of an employer, of a provider's plan compliance procedures with respect to the provider's annuity contract or custodial account offered under the employer's plan. These audits shall not be conducted more than once per year for any provider's plan unless documented evidence indicates a problem in complying with either Section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(c) (1) If an employer elects to contract with a third-party administrator for the administrative or compliance services to employers described in subdivision (b), the employer shall do all of the following:

(A) Require the third-party administrator to provide proof of liability insurance and a fidelity bond in an amount determined by the employer to be sufficient to protect the assets of participants and beneficiaries in the annuity contract and custodial account or deferred compensation plan.

(B) Require the third-party administrator to provide evidence of a safe chain-of-custody of assets process for ensuring fulfillment of fiduciary responsibilities and timely placement of participant investments.

(C) Require evidence, if the third-party administrator is related to or affiliated with a provider of investment products pursuant to Section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code, that data generated from the services provided by the third-party administrator are maintained in a manner that prevents the provider of investment products from accessing that data unless access to the data is required to provide the services in accordance with the contract entered into with the employer pursuant to subdivision (b).

(2) This subdivision shall apply to any administrative or compliance services provided pursuant to a contract for services between an employer and the State Teachers' Retirement System if the system does not contract with a third-party administrator to provide those administrative and compliance services on behalf of the system.

(d) A third-party administrator shall disclose to any employer seeking his or her services any fees, commissions, cost offsets, reimbursements, or marketing or promotional items received by

the administrator, a related entity, or a representative or agent of the administrator or related entity from any plan provider selected as a vendor of a annuity contract, custodial account, or deferred compensation plan by the employer. A third-party administrator that is affiliated with or has a contractual relationship with a provider of annuity contracts, custodial accounts, or deferred compensation plans shall disclose the existence of the relationship to each employer and each individual participant in the annuity contract, custodial account or deferred compensation plan.

(e) Any personal information obtained by the third-party administrator in providing services pursuant to this section shall be used by the third-party administrator only to provide those services for the employer in accordance with the contract entered into with the employer pursuant to subdivision (b).

(f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to interfere with either of the following:

(1) The rights of employees or beneficiaries as described in Section 770.3 of the Insurance Code.

(2) The ability of the employer to establish nonarbitrary requirements upon providers of an annuity contract that, in the employer's discretion, aid in the administration of its benefit programs and do not unreasonably discriminate against any provider of an annuity contract or interfere with the rights of employees or beneficiaries as described in Section 770.3 of the Insurance Code.

(g) This section shall not apply to any services provided by a third-party administrator pursuant to a contract for services between an employer and the State Teachers' Retirement System. Any services provided by a third-party administrator pursuant to a contract for services between an employer and the State Teachers' Retirement System shall be subject to either Section 24953, in the case of an annuity contract or custodial account, or Section 24977, in the case of a deferred compensation plan.

SEC. 71. Section 44468 of the Education Code is amended to read:

44468. (a) An internship program, established pursuant to Article 7.5 (commencing with Section 44325) of Chapter 2 or this article, that is accredited by the commission shall provide interns who meet entrance criteria and are accepted to a multiple subject teaching credential program, a single subject teaching credential

program, or a level 1 education specialist credential program that provides instruction to individuals with mild to moderate disabilities, the opportunity to choose an early program completion option, culminating in a five-year preliminary teaching credential. The early completion option shall be made available to interns who meet the following requirements:

(1) Pass a written assessment that assesses knowledge of teaching foundations, is adopted for this purpose by the commission, and includes all of the following:

(A) Human development as it relates to teaching and learning aligned with the state content and performance standards for pupils adopted pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 60605.

(B) Techniques to address learning differences including working with pupils with special needs.

(C) Techniques to address working with English learners to provide access to the curriculum.

(D) Reading instruction as set forth in paragraph (4) of subdivision (b) of Section 44259.

(E) The assessment of pupil progress based upon the state content and performance standards for pupils adopted pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 60605 and planning intervention based on the assessment.

(F) Classroom management techniques.

(G) Methods of teaching the subject fields.

(2) Pass the teaching performance assessment as set forth in Section 44320.2.

(A) An intern participating in the early completion option may take the teaching performance assessment only one time as part of the early completion option. An intern who takes the teaching performance assessment but is not successful may complete his or her internship program. Scores on this assessment shall be used by the internship programs in providing the individualized professional development plan for interns that emphasizes preparation in areas where additional growth is warranted and waiving preparation in areas where the candidate has demonstrated competence. The intern must retake and pass the teaching performance assessment at the end of the internship in order to be considered for recommendation by the internship program to the commission.

(B) Pending implementation of the teaching performance assessment, an internship program shall provide for early recommendation of an intern for a preliminary multiple subject teaching credential, single subject teaching credential, or level 1 education specialist credential that authorizes instruction to individuals with mild to moderate disabilities, based upon demonstrated competence of the field experience component of the internship program.

(3) Pass the reading instruction competence assessment described in Section 44283, unless the written assessment adopted by the commission pursuant to paragraph (1) is validated as covering content equivalent to the reading assessment.

(4) Meet the requirements for teacher fitness as set forth in Sections 44339, 44340, and 44341.

(b) An intern who chooses the early completion option must first pass the assessment required pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) in order to qualify to take the teaching performance assessment required pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a). Individuals who have passed the written assessment may receive individualized support within the cohort group of like individuals in preparation for the teaching performance assessment.

(c) An intern who challenges the teacher preparation coursework by taking the assessment described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), but is not successful in passing the assessment, may complete his or her full internship program. Scores on this assessment shall be used by the internship program in providing the individualized professional development plan for interns that emphasizes preparation in areas where additional growth is warranted and waiving preparation areas where the intern has demonstrated competence.

(d) An intern who passes the assessments described in subdivision (a) and is recommended by the internship program to the commission is eligible for a five-year preliminary multiple subject teaching credential, single subject teaching credential, or level 1 education specialist credential that authorizes instruction to individuals with mild to moderate disabilities.

(e) The commission shall issue a professional clear multiple or single subject teaching credential to an applicant whose employing public school district documents, in a manner prescribed by the commission, that he or she has fulfilled the following requirements:

(1) Holds a preliminary five-year teaching credential issued by the commission.

(2) Completes one of the following in accordance with the determination of the employing public school district based upon the experience and individual needs of the applicant:

(A) A program of beginning teacher support and assessment established pursuant to Article 4.5 (commencing with Section 44279.1) of Chapter 2 of Part 24, including the California formative assessment and support system for teachers.

(B) An alternative program of beginning teacher induction that the commission determines, in conjunction with the Superintendent of Public Instruction, meets state standards for teacher induction and includes the California formative assessment and support system for teachers or an alternative assessment deemed to meet the standards.

(3) As an alternative to the requirements in paragraph (2), an applicant may choose to complete the California formative assessment and support system for teachers or the equivalent at a faster pace as determined by the Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment System program.

SEC. 72. Section 49561 of the Education Code is amended to read:

49561. (a) The department shall create a computerized data-matching system using existing databases from the department and the State Department of Health Services to directly certify recipients of the Food Stamp Program, the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids program (the CalWORKs program) (Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11200) of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code), and other programs authorized for direct certification under federal law, for enrollment in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs. This subdivision does not include Medi-Cal benefits within the criteria for direct certification specified in the Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-265).

(b) The department shall design a process using an existing agency database that will conform with data from the State Department of Health Services to meet the direct certification requirements of the National School Lunch Act, as amended, pursuant to Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 1751) of Title 42 of the United States Code, and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966,

as amended, pursuant to Chapter 13A (commencing with Section 1771) of Title 42 of the United States Code.

(c) The department shall design a process using computerized data pursuant to subdivision (a) that will maximize enrollment in school meal programs and improve program integrity while ensuring that pupil privacy safeguards remain in place.

(d) (1) Each state agency identified in subdivision (a) is responsible for the maintenance and protection of data received by their respective agency. The state agency that possesses the data shall follow privacy and confidentiality procedures consistent with all applicable state and federal law.

(2) Notwithstanding Section 10850 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, data that identify applicants for, or recipients of, public social services, may be transferred from existing databases maintained by the State Department of Health Services, in order to directly certify recipients of the Food Stamp Program, the CalWORKs program, and other programs authorized for direct certification under federal law, in compliance with subdivision (a). The Legislature hereby finds and declares that this paragraph is declaratory of existing law.

(e) The department shall determine the availability of and request or apply for, as appropriate, federal funds to assist the state in implementing new direct certification requirements mandated by federal law.

(f) This section shall become operative upon receipt of federal funds to assist the state in implementing new direct certification requirements mandated by federal law.

SEC. 73. Section 51221.4 of the Education Code is amended to read:

51221.4. (a) The Legislature encourages instruction in the area of social sciences, as required pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 51220, which may include instruction on the Vietnam war including the "Secret War" in Laos and the role of Southeast Asians in that war. The Legislature encourages that this instruction include, but not be limited to, a component drawn from personal testimony, especially in the form of oral or video history of Southeast Asians who were involved in the Vietnam war and those men and women who contributed to the war effort on the homefront. The oral histories used as a part of the instruction regarding the role of Southeast Asians in the Vietnam war and the "Secret War" in Laos

shall exemplify the personal sacrifice and courage of the wide range of ordinary citizens who were called upon to participate and provide intelligence for the United States. The oral histories shall contain the views and comments of their subjects regarding the reasons for their participation in the war. These oral histories shall also solicit comments from their subjects regarding the aftermath of the war and the immigration of Southeast Asians to the United States.

(b) This section shall be carried out in a manner that does not result in any new duties or programs being imposed on the school district. In that regard, the Legislature finds and declares that this section does not mandate costs to local agencies or school districts and that materials used to comply with this section shall be part of normal curriculum materials purchased by school districts in their normal course of business and purchasing cycles.

SEC. 74. Section 51251 of the Education Code is amended to read:

51251. (a) A governing board of a school district and a county office of education may undertake any or all of the following in order to properly address the needs of military dependents:

(1) Establish a course credit transfer policy for schoolage military dependents provided that, under the policy, the military dependents would still substantially meet the graduation requirements prescribed by the governing board. A school district may require a military dependent, within reason, to meet the graduation requirements of the district, established pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 51225.3, that are in addition to state graduation requirements.

(2) Provide early entry transfer, pretranscript evaluation, pupil support services, and other similar assistance to aid schoolage military dependents in meeting graduation requirements.

(b) A governing board of a school district may take the actions described in subdivision (a) if both of the following circumstances have been met:

(1) The parent or legal guardian of the military dependent is serving on active duty or has been discharged from military service within the last year.

(2) The transfer of the military dependent to a new school is the direct result of a military transfer or discharge of the parent or legal guardian of the dependent.

(c) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) "Early entry transfer" means that a pupil shall have completed the transfer process prior to arriving on the campus of the school to which the pupil is transferring and that upon arrival at the school to which the pupil is transferring, the pupil shall be able to attend his or her assigned classes and participate in his or her desired extracurricular activities, if the pupil meets the eligibility requirements for those activities.

(2) "Pretranscript evaluation" means that the school to which the pupil is transferring shall review the coursework-to-date of the pupil, including any unofficial transcripts, prior to the receipt of official transcripts or the arrival of the pupil. This evaluation process shall be designed to clarify any questions about the placement of the pupil in classes at the school to which the pupil is transferring and shall include communication with school counselors and teachers at the school from which the pupil is transferring by any or all of the following means: videoconferencing, e-mail correspondence, and telephone calls.

SEC. 75. Section 51871.5 of the Education Code is amended to read:

51871.5. (a) It is the intent of the Legislature that education technology planning be accomplished in the most comprehensive manner possible. To that end, the current practice of developing education technology plans for each funding program should be replaced with a comprehensive local planning process that will enable school districts to apply for grants on an ongoing basis and assist in utilizing available education technology programs.

(b) On or after January 1, 2005, as a precondition to receiving a technology grant administered by the department, a school district shall have a current three- to five-year education technology plan. The state board may waive this requirement if it determines that the applicant school district made a good faith effort to develop a plan, but for reasons beyond its control, the district cannot develop the plan before receipt of the technology grant.

(c) On or before July 1, 2007, the Superintendent shall develop guidelines and criteria for inclusion in the education technology plan required pursuant to subdivision (b). The guidelines and criteria shall include a component to educate pupils and teachers on the appropriate and ethical use of information technology in

the classroom, Internet safety, the manner in which to avoid committing plagiarism, the concept, purpose, and significance of a copyright so that pupils are equipped with the skills necessary to distinguish lawful from unlawful online downloading, and the implications of illegal peer-to-peer network file sharing.

A school district that, on July 1, 2008, has a current three- to five-year education technology plan that complies with subdivision (b) is not required to comply with this subdivision until after its plan expires or is voluntarily replaced.

(d) On or after January 1, 2005, the Superintendent shall ensure that each school district has access to technical assistance and an approved online technology plan builder that the department determines is in compliance with state and federal requirements.

(e) The department shall maintain a record of school districts that have a three- to five-year education technology plan and shall make that information available to interested public agencies.

SEC. 76. Section 52052 of the Education Code is amended to read:

52052. (a) (1) The Superintendent, with approval of the state board, shall develop an Academic Performance Index (API), to measure the performance of schools, especially the academic performance of pupils.

(2) A school shall demonstrate comparable improvement in academic achievement as measured by the API by all numerically significant pupil subgroups at the school, including:

(A) Ethnic subgroups.

(B) Socioeconomically disadvantaged pupils.

(C) English language learners.

(D) Pupils with disabilities.

(3) (A) For purposes of this section, a numerically significant pupil subgroup is one that meets both of the following criteria:

(i) The subgroup consists of at least 50 pupils each of whom has a valid test score.

(ii) The subgroup constitutes at least 15 percent of the total population of pupils at a school who have valid test scores.

(B) If a subgroup does not constitute 15 percent of the total population of pupils at a school who have valid test scores, the subgroup may constitute a numerically significant pupil subgroup if it has at least 100 valid test scores.

(C) For a school with an API score that is based on no fewer than 11 and no more than 99 pupils with valid test scores, numerically significant subgroups shall be defined by the Superintendent, with approval by the state board.

(4) The API shall consist of a variety of indicators currently reported to the department, including, but not limited to, the results of the achievement test administered pursuant to Section 60640, attendance rates for pupils in elementary schools, middle schools, and secondary schools, and the graduation rates for pupils in secondary schools.

(A) Graduation rates for pupils in secondary schools shall be calculated for the API as follows:

(i) The number of pupils who graduated on time for the current school year, which is considered to be three school years after the pupils entered 9th grade for the first time, divided by the total calculated in clause (ii).

(ii) The number of pupils entering 9th grade for the first time in the school year three school years prior to the current school year, plus the number of pupils who transferred into the class graduating at the end of the current school year between the school year that was three school years prior to the current school year and the date of graduation, less the number of pupils who transferred out of the school between the school year that was three school years prior to the current school year and the date of graduation who were members of the class that is graduating at the end of the current school year.

(B) The pupil data collected for the API that comes from the achievement test administered pursuant to Sections 60640 and 60644 and the high school exit examination administered pursuant to Section 60851, when fully implemented, shall be disaggregated by special education status, English language learners, socioeconomic status, gender, and ethnic group. Only the test scores of pupils who were counted as part of the enrollment in the annual data collection of the California Basic Educational Data System for the current fiscal year and who were continuously enrolled during that year may be included in the test result reports in the API score of the school. Results of the achievement test and other tests specified in subdivision (b) shall constitute at least 60 percent of the value of the index.

(C) Before including high school graduation rates and attendance rates in the API, the Superintendent shall determine the extent to which the data are currently reported to the state and the accuracy of the data. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, graduation rates for pupils in dropout recovery high schools shall not be included in the API. For purposes of this subparagraph, "dropout recovery high school" means a high school in which 50 percent or more of its pupils have been designated as dropouts pursuant to the exit/withdrawal codes developed by the department.

(D) The Superintendent shall provide an annual report to the Legislature on the graduation and dropout rates in California and shall make the same report available to the public. The report shall be accompanied by the release of publicly accessible data for each school district and school in a manner that provides for disaggregation based upon socioeconomically disadvantaged pupils and numerically significant subgroups scoring below average on statewide standards-aligned assessments. In addition, the data shall be made available in a manner that provides for comparisons of a minimum of three years of data.

(b) Pupil scores from the following tests, when available and when found to be valid and reliable for this purpose, shall be incorporated into the API:

(1) The assessment of the applied academic skills matrix test developed pursuant to Section 60604.

(2) The nationally normed test designated pursuant to Section 60642.

(3) The standards-based achievement tests provided for in Section 60642.5.

(4) The high school exit examination.

(c) Based on the API, the Superintendent shall develop, and the state board shall adopt, expected annual percentage growth targets for all schools based on their API baseline score from the previous year. Schools are expected to meet these growth targets through effective allocation of available resources. For schools below the statewide API performance target adopted by the state board pursuant to subdivision (d), the minimum annual percentage growth target shall be 5 percent of the difference between the actual API score of a school and the statewide API performance target, or one API point, whichever is greater. Schools at or above the statewide API performance target shall have, as their growth target,

maintenance of their API score above the statewide API performance target. However, the state board may set differential growth targets based on grade level of instruction and may set higher growth targets for the lowest performing schools because they have the greatest room for improvement. To meet its growth target, a school shall demonstrate that the annual growth in its API is equal to or more than its schoolwide annual percentage growth target and that all numerically significant pupil subgroups, as defined in subdivision (a), are making comparable improvement.

(d) Upon adoption of state performance standards by the state board, the Superintendent shall recommend, and the state board shall adopt, a statewide API performance target that includes consideration of performance standards and represents the proficiency level required to meet the state performance target. When the API is fully developed, schools must, at a minimum, meet their annual API growth targets to be eligible for the Governor's Performance Award Program as set forth in Section 52057. The state board may establish additional criteria that schools must meet to be eligible for the Governor's Performance Award Program.

(e) The API shall be used for both of the following:

(1) Measuring the progress of schools selected for participation in the Immediate Intervention/Underperforming Schools Program pursuant to Section 52053.

(2) Ranking all public schools in the state for the purpose of the High Achieving/Improving Schools Program pursuant to Section 52056.

(f) (1) A school with 11 to 99 pupils with valid test scores shall receive an API score with an asterisk that indicates less statistical certainty than API scores based on 100 or more test scores.

(2) A school shall annually receive an API score, unless the Superintendent determines that an API score would be an invalid measure of the performance of the school for one or more of the following reasons:

(A) Irregularities in testing procedures occurred.

(B) The data used to calculate the API score of the school are not representative of the pupil population at the school.

(C) Significant demographic changes in the pupil population render year-to-year comparisons of pupil performance invalid.

(D) The department discovers or receives information indicating that the integrity of the API score has been compromised.

(E) Insufficient pupil participation in the assessments included in the API.

(3) If a school has fewer than 100 pupils with valid test scores, the calculation of the API or adequate yearly progress pursuant to the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.) and federal regulations may be calculated over more than one annual administration of the tests administered pursuant to Sections 60640 and 60644 and the high school exit examination administered pursuant to Section 60851, consistent with regulations adopted by the state board.

(g) Only schools with 100 or more test scores contributing to the API may be included in the API rankings.

(h) The Superintendent, with the approval of the state board, shall develop an alternative accountability system for schools under the jurisdiction of a county board of education or a county superintendent of schools, community day schools, nonpublic, nonsectarian schools pursuant to Section 56366, and alternative schools serving high-risk pupils, including continuation high schools and opportunity schools. Schools in the alternative accountability system may receive an API score, but shall not be included in the API rankings.

SEC. 77. Section 52055.730 of the Education Code is amended to read:

52055.730. (a) The Superintendent shall identify and invite school districts and chartering authorities that have eligible schools to participate in the program established under this article.

(b) The Superintendent shall notify school districts and chartering authorities at the earliest possible date of all of the following:

(1) Schoolsites in the district or of a chartering authority that are eligible to receive funding pursuant to this article.

(2) The program and accountability requirements for schools that receive funding pursuant to this article.

(3) The deadlines for the submission of documents necessary to receive funding pursuant to this article.

(4) Any other information the Superintendent deems necessary to implement this article.

(c) The Superintendent shall specify the manner in which school districts and chartering authorities shall submit applications to receive funding pursuant to this article. It is the intent of the Legislature that this submission process be as simple as possible, use easily available data, and include the requirements of this article.

(d) On or before June 30, 2007, the Superintendent, in consultation with interested parties, shall develop a uniform process that can be used to calculate average experience for purposes of reporting, analyzing, or evaluating the distribution of classroom teaching experience in grades, schoolsites, or subjects across the district. The uniform process shall include an index that uses the 2005–06 California Basic Educational Data System (CBEDS) Professional Assignment Information Form (PAIF), including any necessary corrections, as the base-reporting year to evaluate annual improvements of the funded schools toward balancing the index of teaching experience. The index shall be approved by the Superintendent. The uniform process shall designate teaching experience beyond 10 years as 10 years.

(e) The Superintendent shall make applications submitted pursuant to subdivision (c) available for review by the secretary. The Superintendent and the secretary shall review the applications and select the schools for recommendation to the state board within 30 days after the date the application is submitted to the Superintendent.

(f) After reviewing applications submitted pursuant to subdivision (c), the Superintendent and the secretary, jointly, shall submit their recommendations for schools to be funded to the state board for approval. The recommendations shall ensure a wide geographic distribution of funded schools across urban, rural, and suburban areas of the state. Schools selected should also represent a diverse distribution of grade levels. If the Superintendent and the secretary cannot complete the review and recommendation process in the time provided, the Superintendent shall submit recommendations to the board.

(g) To the maximum extent possible the Superintendent, the secretary, and the state board shall recommend and approve sufficient schools to use all available funds. A school selected in the first year shall continue in the program unless it is terminated

pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 52055.740, it declines to participate, or there is evidence of fraud or fiscal irregularities.

(h) In approving the recommendations for funding from the Superintendent and the secretary, the state board shall also verify that the funded schools represent the required balance, geographic distribution, and diverse distribution of grade levels.

(i) The Superintendent shall perform the duties of a county superintendent of schools pursuant to this article for funded schools in those counties in which a single school district operates. The Superintendent may delegate this responsibility to a county superintendent of schools in the region in which the single district county is located.

(j) The Superintendent and the secretary may select not more than two county offices of education to provide regional technical support, document best practices, and provide information regarding those practices and other support information to schools, school districts, and chartering authorities. It is the intent of the Legislature that these activities be merged to the maximum extent feasible with other state and federally funded activities with similar requirements.

SEC. 78. Section 52055.770 of the Education Code is amended to read:

52055.770. (a) School districts and chartering authorities shall receive funding at the following rate, on behalf of funded schools:

(1) For kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, five hundred dollars ($500) per enrolled pupil in funded schools.

(2) For grades 4 to 8, inclusive, nine hundred dollars ($900) per enrolled pupil in funded schools.

(3) For grades 9 to 12, inclusive, one thousand dollars ($1,000) per enrolled pupil in funded schools.

(b) For purposes of subdivision (a), enrollment of a pupil in a funded school in the prior fiscal year shall be based on data from the CBEDS. For the 2007–08 fiscal year, the funded rates shall be reduced to reflect the percentage difference in the total amounts appropriated for purposes of this section in that year compared to the amounts appropriated for purposes of this section in the 2008–09 fiscal year.

(c) The following amounts are hereby appropriated from the General Fund for the purposes set forth in subdivision (f):

(1) For the 2007–08 fiscal year, three hundred million dollars ($300,000,000), to be allocated as follows:

(A) Thirty-two million dollars ($32,000,000) for transfer by the Controller to Section B of the State School Fund for allocation by the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to community colleges for the purpose of providing funding to the community colleges to improve and expand career technical education in public secondary education and lower division public higher education pursuant to Section 88532, including the hiring of additional faculty to expand the number of career technical education programs and course offerings.

(B) Two hundred sixty-eight million dollars ($268,000,000) for transfer by the Controller to Section A of the State School Fund for allocation by the Superintendent pursuant to this article.

(2) For each of the 2008–09 to 2013–14 fiscal years, inclusive, four hundred fifty million dollars ($450,000,000) per fiscal year, to be allocated as follows:

(A) Forty-eight million dollars ($48,000,000) for transfer by the Controller to Section B of the State School Fund for allocation by the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to community colleges as required under subdivision (e).

(B) Four hundred two million dollars ($402,000,000) for transfer by the Controller to Section A of the State School Fund for allocation by the Superintendent pursuant to this article.

(d) For the 2013–14 fiscal year the amounts appropriated under subdivision (c) shall be adjusted to reflect the total fiscal settlement agreed to by the parties in California Teachers Association, et al. v. Arnold Schwarzenegger (Case Number 05CS01165 of the Superior Court for the County of Sacramento) and the sum of all fiscal years of funding provided to fund this article shall not exceed the total funds agreed to by those parties. This annual appropriation shall continue to be made until the Director of Finance reports to the Legislature, along with all proposed adjustments to the Governor's Budget pursuant to Section 13308 of the Government Code, that the sum of appropriations made and allocated pursuant to subdivision (c) equals the total outstanding balance of the minimum state educational funding obligation to school districts and community college districts required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution and Chapter 213 of the Statutes

of 2004 for the 2004–05 and 2005–06 fiscal years, as determined in subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 41207.1.

(e) The sum transferred under subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) shall be allocated by the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges as follows:

(1) Thirty-eight million dollars ($38,000,000) to the community colleges for the purpose of providing funding to the community colleges to improve and expand career technical education in public secondary education and lower division public higher education pursuant to Section 88532, including the hiring of additional faculty to expand the number of career technical education programs and course offerings.

(2) Ten million dollars ($10,000,000) to the community colleges for the purpose of providing one-time block grants to community college districts to be used for one-time items of expenditure, including, but not limited to, the following purposes:

(A) Physical plant, scheduled maintenance, deferred maintenance, and special repairs.

(B) Instructional materials and support.

(C) Instructional equipment, including equipment related to career-technical education, with priority for nursing program equipment.

(D) Library materials.

(E) Technology infrastructure.

(F) Hazardous substances abatement, cleanup, and repair.

(G) Architectural barrier removal.

(H) State-mandated local programs.

(3) The Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall allocate the amount allocated pursuant to paragraph (2) to community college districts on an equal amount per actual full-time-equivalent student (FTES) reported for the prior fiscal year, except that each community college district shall be allocated an amount not less than fifty thousand dollars ($50,000), and the equal amount per unit of FTES shall be computed accordingly.

(4) Funds allocated under paragraph (2) shall supplement and not supplant existing expenditures and may not be counted as the district contribution for physical plant projects and instructional material purchases funded in Item 6870-101-0001 of Section 2.00 of the annual Budget Act.

(f) The appropriations made under subdivision (c) are for the purpose of discharging in full the minimum state educational funding obligation to school districts and community college districts pursuant to Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution and Chapter 213 of the Statutes of 2004 for the 2004–05 fiscal year, and the outstanding maintenance factor for the 2005–06 fiscal year resulting from this additional payment of the Chapter 213 amount for the 2004–05 fiscal year.

(g) For the purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, including computation of the state's minimum funding obligation to school districts and community college districts in subsequent fiscal years, the first one billion six hundred twenty million nine hundred twenty-eight thousand dollars ($1,620,928,000) in appropriations made pursuant to subdivision (c) shall be deemed to be "General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts," as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 and "General Fund Revenues appropriated for community college districts," as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 41202, for the 2004–05 fiscal year and included within the "total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B," as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202, for that fiscal year. The remaining appropriations made pursuant to subdivision (c) shall be deemed to be "General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts," as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 and "General Fund revenues appropriated for community college districts," as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 41202, for the 2005–06 fiscal year and included within the "total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B," as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202, for that fiscal year.

(h) From funds appropriated under subdivision (c), the Superintendent shall provide both of the following:

(1) Not more than two million dollars ($2,000,000) annually to county superintendents of schools to carry out the requirements of this article, allocated in a manner similar to that created to carry out the new duties of those superintendents under the settlement agreement in the case of Williams v. California (Super. Ct. San Francisco, No. CGC-00-312236).

(2) Five million dollars ($5,000,000) in the 2007–08 fiscal year to support regional assistance under Section 52055.730. It is the intent of the Legislature that the Superintendent and the secretary, along with county offices of education, seek foundational and other financial support to sustain and expand these services. Funds provided under this paragraph that are not expended in the 2007–08 fiscal year shall be reappropriated for use in subsequent fiscal years for the same purpose.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated under subdivision (c) but not allocated to schools with kindergarten or grades 1 to 12, inclusive, in a fiscal year, due to program termination in any year or otherwise, shall be available for reappropriation only in furtherance of the purposes of this article. First priority for those amounts shall be to provide cost-of-living increases and enrollment growth adjustments to funded schools.

(j) The sum of three hundred fifty thousand dollars ($350,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Education to fund 3.0 positions to implement this article. Funding provided under this subdivision is not part of funds provided pursuant to subdivision (c).

SEC. 79. Section 60640 of the Education Code, as amended by Section 5 of Chapter 676 of the Statutes of 2005, is amended to read:

60640. (a) There is hereby established the Standardized Testing and Reporting Program, to be known as the STAR Program.

(b) Commencing in the 2007–08 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, and from the funds available for that purpose, each school district, charter school, and county office of education shall administer to each of its pupils in grades 3 and 7 the achievement test designated by the state board pursuant to Section 60642 and shall administer to each of its pupils in grades 3 to 11, inclusive, the standards-based achievement test provided for in Section 60642.5. The state board shall establish a testing period to provide that all schools administer these tests to pupils at approximately the same time during the instructional year, except as necessary to ensure test security and to meet the final filing date.

(c) The publisher and the school district shall provide two makeup days for the testing of previously absent pupils within the testing period established by the state board in subdivision (b).

(d) The governing board of the school district may administer achievement tests in grades other than those required by subdivision (b) as it deems appropriate.

(e) Pursuant to paragraph (16) of subsection (a) of Section 1412 of Title 20 of the United States Code, individuals with exceptional needs, as defined in Section 56026, shall be included in the testing requirement of subdivision (b) with appropriate accommodations in administration, where necessary, and those individuals with exceptional needs who are unable to participate in the testing, even with accommodations, shall be given an alternate assessment.

(f) (1) At the option of the school district, a pupil with limited English proficiency who is enrolled in any of grades 3 to 11, inclusive, may take a second achievement test in his or her primary language. Primary language tests administered pursuant to this subdivision and subdivision (g) shall be subject to the requirements of subdivision (a) of Section 60641. These primary language tests shall produce individual pupil scores that are valid and reliable.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the state board shall designate for use, as part of this program, a single primary language test in each language for which a test is available for grades 3 to 11, inclusive, pursuant to the process used for designation of the assessment chosen in the 1997–98 fiscal year, as specified by Sections 60642 and 60643, and as specified by Section 60642.5, as applicable.

(3) (A) The department shall use funds made available pursuant to Title VI of the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.) and appropriated by the annual Budget Act for the purpose of developing and adopting primary language assessments that are aligned to the state academic content standards. Subject to the availability of funds, primary language assessments shall be developed and adopted for reading/language arts and mathematics in the dominant primary language of limited-English-proficient pupils. The dominant primary language shall be determined by the count in the annual language census of the primary language of each limited-English-proficient pupil enrolled in the California public schools.

(B) Once a dominant primary language assessment is available for use for a specific grade level, it shall be administered in place of the assessment designated pursuant to paragraph (1) for that grade level.

(C) In selecting a contractor to develop a primary language assessment, the state board shall consider the criteria for choosing a contractor or test publisher as specified by Sections 60642 and 60643, and as specified by Section 60642.5, as applicable.

(D) Subject to the availability of funds, the assessments shall be developed in grade order starting with the lowest grade subject to the STAR Program.

(E) If the state board contracts for the development of primary language assessments or test items to augment an existing assessment, the state shall retain ownership rights to the assessment and the test items. With the approval of the state board, the department may license the test for use in other states subject to a compensation agreement approved by the Department of Finance.

(g) A pupil identified as limited English proficient pursuant to the administration of a test made available pursuant to Section 60810 who is enrolled in any of grades 3 to 11, inclusive, and who either receives instruction in his or her primary language or has been enrolled in a school in the United States for less than 12 months shall be required to take a test in his or her primary language if a test is available.

(h) (1) The Superintendent shall apportion funds to school districts to enable school districts to meet the requirements of subdivision (b), the alternative assessment required by subdivision (e), and subdivisions (f) and (g).

(2) The state board shall annually establish the amount of funding to be apportioned to school districts for each test administered and shall annually establish the amount that each publisher shall be paid for each test administered under the agreements required pursuant to Section 60643. The amounts to be paid to the publishers shall be determined by considering the cost estimates submitted by each publisher each September and the amount included in the annual Budget Act, and by making allowance for the estimated costs to school districts for compliance with the requirements of subdivision (b), the alternative assessment required by subdivision (e), and subdivisions (f) and (g).

(3) An adjustment to the amount of funding to be apportioned per test may not be valid without the approval of the Director of Finance. A request for approval of an adjustment to the amount of funding to be apportioned per test shall be submitted in writing to the Director of Finance and the chairpersons of the fiscal

committees of both houses of the Legislature with accompanying material justifying the proposed adjustment. The Director of Finance is authorized to approve only those adjustments related to activities required by statute. The Director of Finance shall approve or disapprove the amount within 30 days of receipt of the request and shall notify the chairpersons of the fiscal committees of both houses of the Legislature of the decision.

(i) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation for the apportionments made pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (h), and the payments made to the publishers under the contracts required pursuant to Section 60643 or subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 60605 between the department and the contractor, are "General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts," as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202, for the applicable fiscal year, and included within the "total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B," as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202, for that fiscal year.

(j) As a condition to receiving an apportionment pursuant to subdivision (h), a school district shall report to the Superintendent all of the following:

(1) The number of pupils enrolled in the school district in grades 3 to 11, inclusive.

(2) The number of pupils to whom an achievement test was administered in grades 3 to 11, inclusive, in the school district.

(3) The number of pupils in paragraph (1) who were exempted from the test at the request of their parents or guardians.

(k) The Superintendent and the state board are authorized and encouraged to assist postsecondary educational institutions to use the assessment results of the California Standards Tests, including, but not limited to, the augmented California Standards Tests, for academic credit, placement, or admissions processes.

(*l*) The Superintendent shall, with the approval of the state board, annually release to the public at least 25 percent of test items from the standards-based achievement test provided for in Section 60642.5 from the test administered in the previous year.

(m) This section shall become operative July 1, 2007.

SEC. 80. Section 60900 of the Education Code is amended to read:

60900. (a) The department shall contract for the development of proposals which will provide for the retention and analysis of longitudinal pupil achievement data on the tests administered pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 60600), Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 60810), and Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 60850). The longitudinal data shall be known as the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System.

(b) The proposals developed pursuant to subdivision (a) shall evaluate and determine whether it would be most effective, from both a fiscal and a technological perspective, for the state to own the system. The proposals shall additionally evaluate and determine the most effective means of housing the system.

(c) The California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System shall be developed and implemented in accordance with all state rules and regulations governing information technology projects.

(d) The system or systems developed pursuant to this section shall be used to accomplish all of the following goals:

(1) To provide school districts and the department access to data necessary to comply with federal reporting requirements delineated in the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.).

(2) To provide a better means of evaluating educational progress and investments over time.

(3) To provide local educational agencies information that can be used to improve pupil achievement.

(4) To provide an efficient, flexible, and secure means of maintaining longitudinal statewide pupil level data.

(e) In order to comply with federal law as delineated in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.), the local educational agency shall retain individual pupil records for each test taker, including all of the following:

(1) All demographic data collected from the STAR Program test, high school exit examination, and English language development tests.

(2) Pupil achievement data from assessments administered pursuant to the STAR Program, high school exit examination, and English language development testing programs. To the extent

feasible, data should include subscore data within each content area.

(3) A unique pupil identification number to be identical to the pupil identifier developed pursuant to the California School Information Services, which shall be retained by each local educational agency and used to ensure the accuracy of information on the header sheets of the STAR Program tests, high school exit examination, and the English language development test.

(4) All data necessary to compile reports required by the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.), including, but not limited to, dropout and graduation rates.

(5) Other data elements deemed necessary by the Superintendent, with approval of the state board, to comply with the federal reporting requirements delineated in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.), after review and comment by the advisory board convened pursuant to subdivision (h).

(f) The California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System shall have all of the following characteristics:

(1) The ability to sort by demographic element collected from the STAR Program tests, high school exit examination, and English language development test.

(2) The capability to be expanded to include pupil achievement data from multiple years.

(3) The capability to monitor pupil achievement on the STAR Program tests, high school exit examination, and English language development test from year to year and school to school.

(4) The capacity to provide data to the state and local educational agencies upon their request.

(g) Data elements and codes included in the system shall comply with Sections 49061 to 49079, inclusive, and Sections 49602 and 56347, with Sections 430 to 438, inclusive, of Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, with the Information Practices Act of 1977 (Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 1798) of Title 1.8 of Part 4 of Division 3 of the Civil Code), and with the federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232g), Section 1242h of Title 20 of the United States Code, and related federal regulations.

(h) The department shall convene an advisory board consisting of representatives from the state board, the Secretary for Education,

the Department of Finance, the State Privacy Ombudsman, the Legislative Analyst's Office, representatives of parent groups, school districts, and local educational agencies, and education researchers to establish privacy and access protocols, provide general guidance, and make recommendations relative to data elements. The department is encouraged to seek representation broadly reflective of the general public of California.

(i) Subject to funding being provided in the annual Budget Act, the department shall contract with a consultant for independent project oversight. The Director of Finance shall review the request for proposals for the contract. The consultant hired to conduct the independent project oversight shall twice annually submit a written report to the Superintendent, the state board, the advisory board, the Director of Finance, the Legislative Analyst, and the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature. The report shall include an evaluation of the extent to which the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System is meeting the goals described in subdivision (d) and recommendations to improve the data system in ensuring the privacy of individual pupil information and providing the data needed by the state and school districts.

(j) This section shall be implemented using federal funds received pursuant to the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301 et seq.), which are appropriated for purposes of this section in Item 6110-113-0890 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2002 (Chapter 379 of the Statutes of 2002). The release of these funds is contingent on approval of an expenditure plan by the Department of Finance.

(k) For purposes of this chapter, a local educational agency shall include a county office of education, a school district, or charter school.

SEC. 81. Section 87040 of the Education Code is amended to read:

87040. (a) (1) The governing board of each community college district when drawing an order for the salary payment due to employees of the district shall, without charge, reduce the order by the amount which it has been requested in a revocable written authorization by the employee to deduct for any or all of the following purposes:

(A) Paying premiums on any policy or certificate of group life insurance for the benefit of the employee or for group disability insurance, or legal expense insurance, or any of them, for the benefit of the employee or his or her dependents issued by an admitted insurer on a form of policy or certificate approved by the Insurance Commissioner.

(B) Paying rates, dues, fees, or other periodic charges on any hospital service contract for the benefit of the employee, or his or her dependents, issued by a nonprofit hospital service corporation on a form approved by the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 11A (commencing with Section 11491) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Insurance Code.

(C) Paying periodic charges on any medical and hospital service agreement or contract for the benefit of the employee, or his or her dependents, issued by a nonprofit corporation subject to Part 2 (commencing with Section 5110) of, Part 3 (commencing with Section 7110) of, or Part 11 (commencing with Section 10810) of, Division 2 of Title 1 of the Corporations Code.

(D) Paying periodic charges on any legal services contract for the benefit of the employee, or his or her dependents issued by a nonprofit corporation subject to Part 3 (commencing with Section 7110) of, or Part 11 (commencing with Section 10810) of, Division 2 of Title 1 of the Corporations Code.

(2) This subdivision shall not apply to subdivision (b).

(b) For purposes of a deferred compensation plan authorized by Section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code or an annuity program authorized by Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code that is offered by the community college district which provides for investments in corporate stocks, bonds, securities, mutual funds, or annuities, except as prohibited by the California Constitution, the governing board of each community college district when drawing an order for the salary payment due to an employee of the district shall, with or without charge, reduce the order by the amount which it has been requested in a revocable written authorization by the employee to deduct for participating in a deferred compensation plan or annuity program offered by the community college district. The governing board shall determine the cost of performing the requested deduction and may collect that cost from the organization, entity, or employee requesting or authorizing the deduction. For purposes of this

subdivision, the governing board of a community college district is entitled to include in the amounts reducing the order the costs of any compliance or administrative services that are required to perform the requested deduction in compliance with federal or state law, and may collect these costs from the participating employee, the employee's participant account, or the organization or entity authorizing the deduction.

(c) The governing board of the district shall, beginning with the month designated by the employee and each month thereafter until authorization for the deduction is revoked, draw its order upon the funds of the district in favor of the insurer which has issued the policies or certificates or in favor of the nonprofit hospital service corporation which has issued hospital service contracts, or in favor of the nonprofit corporation which has issued medical and hospital service or legal service agreements or contracts, for an amount equal to the total of the respective deductions therefor made during the month. The governing board may require that the employee submit his or her authorization for the deduction up to one month in advance of the effective date of coverage.

(d) "Group insurance" as used in this section shall mean only a bona fide group program of life or disability or life and disability insurance where a master contract is held by the community college district or an employee organization but it shall, nevertheless, include annuity programs authorized by Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code when approved by the governing board.

SEC. 82. Section 87040.5 of the Education Code is amended to read:

87040.5. (a) For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) "Annuity contract" means an annuity contract described in Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code that is available to employees as described in Section 770.3 of the Insurance Code.

(2) "Custodial account" means a custodial account described in Section 403(b)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(3) "Deferred compensation plan" means a plan described in Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(4) "Third-party administrator" means a person or entity that provides administrative or compliance services to a community college district as described in subdivision (b).

(b) A community college district may enter into a written contract with a third-party administrator for services regarding an annuity contract and custodial account or a deferred compensation plan provided by the community college district. That contract may include any of the following:

(1) Services to ensure compliance with either Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code regarding the annuity contract and custodial account or Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code regarding a deferred compensation plan, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

(A) Administer and maintain written plan documents governing the community college district's plan.

(B) Review and authorize hardship withdrawal requests under Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, transfer requests, loan requests, unforeseeable emergency withdrawals under Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and other disbursements permitted under either Section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(C) Review and determine domestic relations orders as qualified domestic relations orders as described in Section 414(p) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(D) Provide notice to eligible employees that is consistent with Title 26 of the Code of Federal Regulations that those employees may participate in an annuity contract and custodial account.

(E) Administer and maintain specimen salary reduction agreements for the community college district and employees of that community college district to initiate payroll deferrals.

(F) Monitor, from information provided either directly from the employee, as part of the common remitting services provided pursuant to paragraph (2), through information provided by the community college district, or through information provided by vendors authorized by the community college district to provide investment products, the maximum contributions allowed by employees participating in either the annuity contract and custodial account as described in Sections 402(g), 414(v), and 415 of the Internal Revenue Code or the deferred compensation plan as described in Section 414(v) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(G) Calculate and maintain vesting information for contributions made by the community college district to the annuity contract and custodial account or deferred compensation plan.

(H) Identify and notify employees that are required to take a minimum distribution of the funds in that employee's annuity contract and custodial account or deferred compensation plan as described in Section 401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(I) Coordinate responses to the Internal Revenue Service if there is an Internal Revenue Service audit of the annuity contract and custodial account or deferred compensation plan.

(2) Services to administer the annuity contract and custodial account or a deferred compensation plan that includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:

(A) Common remitting services.

(B) General educational information to employees about the annuity contract and custodial account or the deferred compensation plan that includes, but is not limited to, the enrollment process, program eligibility, and investment options.

(C) Internal reports for the community college district to ensure compliance with either Section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code and compliance with Title 26 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

(D) Consulting services related to the design, operation, and administration of the plan.

(E) Internal audits, on behalf of a community college district, of a provider's plan compliance procedures with respect to the provider's annuity contract or custodial account offered under the community college district's plan. These audits shall not be conducted more than once per year for any provider's plan unless documented evidence indicates a problem in complying with either Section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(c) (1) If a community college district elects to contract with a third-party administrator for the administrative or compliance services to community college districts described in subdivision (b), the community college district shall do all of the following:

(A) Require the third-party administrator to provide proof of liability insurance and a fidelity bond in an amount determined by the community college district to be sufficient to protect the assets of participants and beneficiaries in the annuity contract and custodial account or deferred compensation plan.

(B) Require the third-party administrator to provide evidence of a safe chain-of-custody of assets process for ensuring fulfillment

of fiduciary responsibilities and timely placement of participant investments.

(C) Require evidence, if the third-party administrator is related to or affiliated with a provider of investment products pursuant to Section 403(b) or 457 of the Internal Revenue Code, that data generated from the services provided by the third-party administrator are maintained in a manner that prevents the provider of investment products from accessing that data unless access to the data is required to provide the services in accordance with the contract entered into with the community college district pursuant to subdivision (b).

(2) This subdivision shall apply to any administrative or compliance services provided pursuant to a contract for services between a community college district and the State Teachers' Retirement System if the system does not contract with a third-party administrator to provide those administrative and compliance services on behalf of the system.

(d) A third-party administrator shall disclose to any community college district seeking his or her services any fees, commissions, cost offsets, reimbursements, or marketing or promotional items received by the administrator, a related entity, or a representative or agent of the administrator or related entity from any plan provider selected as a vendor of an annuity contract, custodial account, or deferred compensation plan by the community college district. A third-party administrator that is affiliated with or has a contractual relationship with a provider of annuity contracts, custodial accounts, or deferred compensation plans shall disclose the existence of the relationship to each community college district and each individual participant in the annuity contract, custodial account or deferred compensation plan.

(e) Any personal information obtained by the third-party administrator in providing services pursuant to this section shall be used by the third-party administrator only to provide those services for the community college district in accordance with the contract entered into with the community college district pursuant to subdivision (b).

(f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to interfere with either of the following:

(1) The rights of employees or beneficiaries as described in Section 770.3 of the Insurance Code.

(2) The ability of the community college district to establish nonarbitrary requirements upon providers of an annuity contract that, in the community college district's discretion, aid in the administration of its benefit programs and do not unreasonably discriminate against any provider of an annuity contract or interfere with the rights of employees or beneficiaries as described in Section 770.3 of the Insurance Code.

(g) This section shall not apply to any services provided by a third-party administrator pursuant to a contract for services between a community college district and the State Teachers' Retirement System. Any services provided by a third-party administrator pursuant to a contract for services between a community college district and the State Teachers' Retirement System shall be subject to either Section 24953, in the case of an annuity contract or custodial account, or Section 24977, in the case of a deferred compensation plan.

SEC. 83. Section 782 of the Evidence Code is amended to read:

782. (a) In any of the circumstances described in subdivision (c), if evidence of sexual conduct of the complaining witness is offered to attack the credibility of the complaining witness under Section 780, the following procedure shall be followed:

(1) A written motion shall be made by the defendant to the court and prosecutor stating that the defense has an offer of proof of the relevancy of evidence of the sexual conduct of the complaining witness proposed to be presented and its relevancy in attacking the credibility of the complaining witness.

(2) The written motion shall be accompanied by an affidavit in which the offer of proof shall be stated. The affidavit shall be filed under seal and only unsealed by the court to determine if the offer of proof is sufficient to order a hearing pursuant to paragraph (3). After that determination, the affidavit shall be resealed by the court.

(3) If the court finds that the offer of proof is sufficient, the court shall order a hearing out of the presence of the jury, if any, and at the hearing allow the questioning of the complaining witness regarding the offer of proof made by the defendant.

(4) At the conclusion of the hearing, if the court finds that evidence proposed to be offered by the defendant regarding the sexual conduct of the complaining witness is relevant pursuant to Section 780, and is not inadmissible pursuant to Section 352, the

court may make an order stating what evidence may be introduced by the defendant, and the nature of the questions to be permitted. The defendant may then offer evidence pursuant to the order of the court.

(5) An affidavit resealed by the court pursuant to paragraph (2) shall remain sealed, unless the defendant raises an issue on appeal or collateral review relating to the offer of proof contained in the sealed document. If the defendant raises that issue on appeal, the court shall allow the Attorney General and appellate counsel for the defendant access to the sealed affidavit. If the issue is raised on collateral review, the court shall allow the district attorney and defendant's counsel access to the sealed affidavit. The use of the information contained in the affidavit shall be limited solely to the pending proceeding.

(b) As used in this section, "complaining witness" means:

(1) The alleged victim of the crime charged, the prosecution of which is subject to this section, pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (c).

(2) An alleged victim offering testimony pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (c).

(c) The procedure provided by subdivision (a) shall apply in any of the following circumstances:

(1) In a prosecution under Section 261, 262, 264.1, 286, 288, 288a, 288.5, or 289 of the Penal Code, or for assault with intent to commit, attempt to commit, or conspiracy to commit any crime defined in any of those sections, except if the crime is alleged to have occurred in a local detention facility, as defined in Section 6031.4 of the Penal Code, or in the state prison, as defined in Section 4504.

(2) When an alleged victim testifies pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1101 as a victim of a crime listed in Section 243.4, 261, 261.5, 269, 285, 286, 288, 288a, 288.5, 289, 314, or 647.6 of the Penal Code, except if the crime is alleged to have occurred in a local detention facility, as defined in Section 6031.4 of the Penal Code, or in the state prison, as defined in Section 4504 of the Penal Code.

(3) When an alleged victim of a sexual offense testifies pursuant to Section 1108, except if the crime is alleged to have occurred in a local detention facility, as defined in Section 6031.4 of the Penal

Code, or in the state prison, as defined in Section 4504 of the Penal Code.

SEC. 84. Section 1117 of the Evidence Code is amended to read:

1117. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), this chapter applies to a mediation as defined in Section 1115.

(b) This chapter does not apply to either of the following:

(1) A proceeding under Part 1 (commencing with Section 1800) of Division 5 of the Family Code or Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 3160) of Part 2 of Division 8 of the Family Code.

(2) A settlement conference pursuant to Rule 3.1380 of the California Rules of Court.

SEC. 85. Section 177 of the Family Code is amended to read:

177. (a) In an Indian child custody proceeding, the court shall apply Sections 224.2 to 224.6, inclusive, and Sections 305.5, 361.31, and 361.7 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, and the following rules from the California Rules of Court, as they read on January 1, 2007:

(1) Paragraph (7) of subdivision (b) of Rule 5.530.

(2) Subdivision (i) of Rule 5.534.

(b) In the provisions cited in subdivision (a), references to social workers, probation officers, county welfare department, or probation department shall be construed as meaning the party seeking a foster care placement, guardianship, or adoption under this code.

(c) This section shall only apply to proceedings involving an Indian child.

SEC. 86. Section 216 of the Family Code is amended to read:

216. (a) In the absence of a stipulation by the parties to the contrary, there shall be no ex parte communication between the attorneys for any party to an action and any court-appointed or court-connected evaluator or mediator, or between a court-appointed or court-connected evaluator or mediator and the court, in any proceedings under this code, except with regard to the scheduling of appointments.

(b) There shall be no ex parte communications between counsel appointed by the court pursuant to Section 3150 and any court-appointed or court-connected evaluator or mediator, except where it is expressly authorized by the court or undertaken pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (c) of Section 3151.

(c) Subdivisions (a) and (b) shall not apply in the following situations:

(1) To allow a mediator or evaluator to address a case involving allegations of domestic violence as set forth in Sections 3113, 3181, and 3192.

(2) To allow a mediator or evaluator to address a case involving allegations of domestic violence as set forth in Rule 5.215 of the California Rules of Court.

(3) If the mediator or evaluator determines that ex parte communication is needed to inform the court of his or her belief that a restraining order is necessary to prevent an imminent risk to the physical safety of the child or the party.

(d) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the responsibilities a mediator or evaluator may have as a mandated reporter pursuant to Section 11165.9 of the Penal Code or the responsibilities a mediator or evaluator may have to warn under Tarasoff v. Regents of the University of California (1976) 17 Cal.3d 425, Hedlund v. Superior Court (1983) 34 Cal.3d 695, and Section 43.92 of the Civil Code.

(e) The Judicial Council shall, by July 1, 2006, adopt a rule of court to implement this section.

SEC. 87. Section 291 of the Family Code is amended to read:

291. (a) A money judgment or judgment for possession or sale of property that is made or entered under this code, including a judgment for child, family, or spousal support, is enforceable until paid in full or otherwise satisfied.

(b) A judgment described in this section is exempt from any requirement that a judgment be renewed. Failure to renew a judgment described in this section has no effect on the enforceability of the judgment.

(c) A judgment described in this section may be renewed pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 683.110) of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of Title 9 of Part 2 of the Code of Civil Procedure. An application for renewal of a judgment described in this section, whether or not payable in installments, may be filed:

(1) If the judgment has not previously been renewed as to past due amounts, at any time.

(2) If the judgment has previously been renewed, the amount of the judgment as previously renewed and any past due amount that became due and payable after the previous renewal may be

renewed at any time after a period of at least five years has elapsed from the time the judgment was previously renewed.

(d) In an action to enforce a judgment for child, family, or spousal support, the defendant may raise, and the court may consider, the defense of laches only with respect to any portion of the judgment that is owed to the state.

(e) Nothing in this section supersedes the law governing enforcement of a judgment after the death of the judgment creditor or judgment debtor.

(f) On or before January 1, 2008, the Judicial Council shall develop self-help materials that include: (1) a description of the remedies available for enforcement of a judgment under this code, and (2) practical advice on how to avoid disputes relating to the enforcement of a support obligation. The self-help materials shall be made available to the public through the Judicial Council self-help Internet Web site.

(g) As used in this section, "judgment" includes an order.

SEC. 88. Section 1816 of the Family Code is amended to read:

1816. (a) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) "Eligible provider" means the Administrative Office of the Courts or an educational institution, professional association, professional continuing education group, a group connected to the courts, or a public or private group that has been authorized by the Administrative Office of the Courts to provide domestic violence training.

(2) "Evaluator" means a supervising or associate counselor described in Section 1815, a mediator described in Section 3164, a court-connected or private child custody evaluator described in Section 3110.5, or a court-appointed investigator or evaluator as described in Section 3110 or Section 730 of the Evidence Code.

(b) An evaluator shall participate in a program of continuing instruction in domestic violence, including child abuse, as may be arranged and provided to that evaluator. This training may utilize domestic violence training programs conducted by nonprofit community organizations with an expertise in domestic violence issues.

(c) Areas of basic instruction shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) The effects of domestic violence on children.

(2) The nature and extent of domestic violence.

(3) The social and family dynamics of domestic violence.

(4) Techniques for identifying and assisting families affected by domestic violence.

(5) Interviewing, documentation of, and appropriate recommendations for families affected by domestic violence.

(6) The legal rights of, and remedies available to, victims.

(7) Availability of community and legal domestic violence resources.

(d) An evaluator shall also complete 16 hours of advanced training within a 12-month period. Four hours of that advanced training shall include community resource networking intended to acquaint the evaluator with domestic violence resources in the geographical communities where the family being evaluated may reside. Twelve hours of instruction, as approved by the Administrative Office of the Courts, shall include all of the following:

(1) The appropriate structuring of the child custody evaluation process, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(A) Maximizing safety for clients, evaluators, and court personnel.

(B) Maintaining objectivity.

(C) Providing and gathering balanced information from the parties and controlling for bias.

(D) Providing separate sessions at separate times as described in Section 3113.

(E) Considering the impact of the evaluation report and recommendations with particular attention to the dynamics of domestic violence.

(2) The relevant sections of local, state, and federal laws, rules, or regulations.

(3) The range, availability, and applicability of domestic violence resources available to victims, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(A) Shelters for battered women.

(B) Counseling, including drug and alcohol counseling.

(C) Legal assistance.

(D) Job training.

(E) Parenting classes.

(F) Resources for a victim who is an immigrant.

(4) The range, availability, and applicability of domestic violence intervention available to perpetrators, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(A) Certified treatment programs described in Section 1203.097 of the Penal Code.

(B) Drug and alcohol counseling.

(C) Legal assistance.

(D) Job training.

(E) Parenting classes.

(5) The unique issues in a family and psychological assessment in a domestic violence case, including all of the following:

(A) The effects of exposure to domestic violence and psychological trauma on children, the relationship between child physical abuse, child sexual abuse, and domestic violence, the differential family dynamics related to parent-child attachments in families with domestic violence, intergenerational transmission of familial violence, and manifestations of post-traumatic stress disorders in children.

(B) The nature and extent of domestic violence, and the relationship of gender, class, race, culture, and sexual orientation to domestic violence.

(C) Current legal, psychosocial, public policy, and mental health research related to the dynamics of family violence, the impact of victimization, the psychology of perpetration, and the dynamics of power and control in battering relationships.

(D) The assessment of family history based on the type, severity, and frequency of violence.

(E) The impact on parenting abilities of being a victim or perpetrator of domestic violence.

(F) The uses and limitations of psychological testing and psychiatric diagnosis in assessing parenting abilities in domestic violence cases.

(G) The influence of alcohol and drug use and abuse on the incidence of domestic violence.

(H) Understanding the dynamics of high conflict relationships and relationships between an abuser and victim.

(I) The importance of and procedures for obtaining collateral information from a probation department, children's protective services, police incident report, a pleading regarding a restraining order, medical records, a school, and other relevant sources.

(J) Accepted methods for structuring safe and enforceable child custody and parenting plans that ensure the health, safety, welfare, and best interest of the child, and safeguards for the parties.

(K) The importance of discouraging participants in child custody matters from blaming victims of domestic violence for the violence and from minimizing allegations of domestic violence, child abuse, or abuse against a family member.

(e) After an evaluator has completed the advanced training described in subdivision (d), that evaluator shall complete four hours of updated training annually that shall include, but is not limited to, all of the following:

(1) Changes in local court practices, case law, and state and federal legislation related to domestic violence.

(2) An update of current social science research and theory, including the impact of exposure to domestic violence on children.

(f) Training described in this section shall be acquired from an eligible provider and that eligible provider shall comply with all of the following:

(1) Ensure that a training instructor or consultant delivering the education and training programs either meets the training requirements of this section or is an expert in the subject matter.

(2) Monitor and evaluate the quality of courses, curricula, training, instructors, and consultants.

(3) Emphasize the importance of focusing child custody evaluations on the health, safety, welfare, and best interest of the child.

(4) Develop a procedure to verify that an evaluator completes the education and training program.

(5) Distribute a certificate of completion to each evaluator who has completed the training. That certificate shall document the number of hours of training offered, the number of hours the evaluator completed, the dates of the training, and the name of the training provider.

(g) (1) If there is a local court rule regarding the procedure to notify the court that an evaluator has completed training as described in this section, the evaluator shall comply with that local court rule.

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (1), an evaluator shall attach copies of his or her certificates of completion of the training

described in subdivision (d) and the most recent updated training described in subdivision (e).

(h) An evaluator may satisfy the requirement for 12 hours of instruction described in subdivision (d) by training from an eligible provider that was obtained on or after January 1, 1996. The advanced training of that evaluator shall not be complete until that evaluator completes the four hours of community resource networking described in subdivision (d).

(i) The Judicial Council shall develop standards for the training programs. The Judicial Council shall solicit the assistance of community organizations concerned with domestic violence and child abuse and shall seek to develop training programs that will maximize coordination between conciliation courts and local agencies concerned with domestic violence.

SEC. 89. Section 5614 of the Family Code is amended to read:

5614. (a) A private child support collector shall do all of the following:

(1) (A) Provide to an obligee all of the following information:

(i) The name of, and any other identifying information relating to, any obligor who made child support payments collected by the private child support collector.

(ii) The amount of support collected by the private child support collector.

(iii) The date on which each amount was received by the private child support collector.

(iv) The date on which each amount received by the private child support collector was sent to the obligee.

(v) The amount of the payment sent to the obligee.

(vi) The source of payment of support collected and the actions affirmatively taken by the private child support collector that resulted in the payment.

(vii) The amount and percentage of each payment kept by the private child support collector as its fee.

(B) The information required by paragraph (A) shall be made available, at the option of the obligee, by mail, telephone, or via secure Internet access. If provided by mail, the notice shall be sent at least quarterly and, if provided by any other method, the information shall be updated and made available at least monthly. Information accessed by telephone and the Internet shall be up to date.

(2) Establish a direct deposit account with the state disbursement unit and shall within two business days from the date the funds are disbursed from the state disbursement unit to the private child support collector, if a portion of the funds constitute an obligor's fee, notify the Department of Child Support Services of the portion of each collection that constitutes a fee. The notification shall be sent by the private child support collector to the department in an electronic format to be determined by the department.

(3) Maintain records of all child support collections made on behalf of a client who is an obligee. The records required under this section shall be maintained by the private child support collector for the duration of the contract plus a period of four years and four months from the date of the last child support payment collected by the private child support collector on behalf of an obligee. In addition to information required by paragraph (1), the private child support collector shall maintain the following:

(A) A copy of the order establishing the child support obligation under which a collection was made by the private child support collector.

(B) Records of all correspondence between the private child support collector and the obligee or obligor in a case.

(C) Any other pertinent information relating to the child support obligation, including any case, cause, or docket number of the court having jurisdiction over the matter and official government payment records obtained by the private child support collector on behalf of, and at the request of, the obligee.

(4) Safeguard case records in a manner reasonably expected to prevent intentional or accidental disclosure of confidential information pertaining to the obligee or obligor, including providing necessary protections for records maintained in an automated system.

(5) Ensure that every person who contracts with a private child support collector has the right to review all files and documents, both paper and electronic, in the possession of the private child support collector for the information specified in this paragraph regarding that obligee's case that are not required by law to be kept confidential. The obligee, during regular business hours, shall be provided reasonable access to and copies of the files and records of the private child support collector regarding all moneys received, collection attempts made, fees retained or paid to the private child

support collector, and moneys disbursed to the obligee. The private child support collector may not charge a fee for access to the files and records, but may require the obligee to pay up to three cents ($0.03) per page for the copies prior to their release.

(6) Provide, prior to commencing collection activities, written notice of any contract with an obligee to the local child support agency that is enforcing the obligee's support order, if known, or the local child support agency for the county in which the obligee resides as of the time the contract is signed by the obligee. The notice shall identify the obligee, the obligor, and the amount of the arrearage claimed by the obligee.

(b) A private child support collector shall not do any of the following:

(1) Charge fees on current support if the obligee received any current child support during the six months preceding execution of the contract with the private child support collector. A private child support collector shall inquire of the obligee and record the month and year of the last current support payment and may rely on information provided by the obligee in determining whether a fee may be charged on current support.

(2) Improperly retain fees from collections that are primarily attributable to the actions of a governmental entity. The private child support collector shall refund all of those fees to the obligee immediately upon discovery or notice of the improper retention of fees.

(3) Collect or attempt to collect child support by means of any conduct that is prohibited of a debt collector collecting a consumer debt under Sections 1788.10 to 1788.16, inclusive, of the Civil Code. This chapter does not modify, alter, or amend the definition of a debt or a debt collector under the Rosenthal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (Title 1.6C (commencing with Section 1788) of Part 4 of Division 3 of the Civil Code).

(4) Misstate the amount of the fee that may be lawfully paid to the private child support collector for the performance of the contract or the identity of the person who is obligated to pay that fee.

(5) Make a false representation of the amount of child support to be collected. A private child support collector is not in violation of this paragraph if it reasonably relied on sufficient documentation provided by the government entity collecting child support, a court

with jurisdiction over the support obligation, or from the obligee, or upon sufficient documentation provided by the obligor.

(6) Ask any party other than the obligor to pay the child support obligation, unless that party is legally responsible for the obligation or is the legal representative of the obligor.

(7) Require, on or after January 1, 2007, as a condition of providing services to the obligee, that the obligee waive any right or procedure provided for in any state law regarding the right to file and pursue a civil action, or that the obligee agree to resolve disputes in a jurisdiction outside of California or to the application of laws other than those of California, as provided by law. Any waiver by the obligee of the right to file and pursue a civil action, the right to file and pursue a civil action in California, or the right to rely upon California law as provided by law must be knowing, voluntary, and not made a condition of doing business with the private child support collector. Any waiver, including, but not limited to, an agreement to arbitrate or regarding choice of forum or choice of law, that is required as a condition of doing business with the private child support collector, shall be presumed involuntary, unconscionable, against public policy, and unenforceable. The private child support collector has the burden of proving that any waiver of rights, including any agreement to arbitrate a claim or regarding choice of forum or choice of law, was knowing, voluntary, and not made a condition of the contract with the obligee.

SEC. 90. Section 8623 of the Family Code is amended to read:

8623. A person or organization is an adoption facilitator if the person or organization is not licensed as an adoption agency by the State of California and engages in either of the following activities:

(a) Advertises for the purpose of soliciting parties to an adoption or locating children for an adoption or acting as an intermediary between the parties to an adoption.

(b) Charges a fee or other valuable consideration for services rendered relating to an adoption.

SEC. 91. Section 8632.5 of the Family Code is amended to read:

8632.5. (a) The department shall establish and adopt regulations for a statewide registration process for adoption facilitators. The department shall also establish and adopt

regulations to require adoption facilitators to post a bond as required by this section.

(b) The department may adapt the process it uses to register adoption service providers in order to provide a similar registration process for adoption facilitators. The process used by the department shall include a procedure for determining the status of bond compliance by adoption facilitators, a means for accepting or denying organizations seeking inclusion in the adoption facilitator registry, and an appeals process for those entities denied inclusion in the adoption facilitator registry. The department may deny inclusion in the registry for adoption facilitators to an applicant who has been convicted of any crime for which the department may deny a license to an adoption agency.

(c) Upon the establishment by the department of a registration process, all adoption facilitators that operate independently from a licensed public or private adoption agency or an adoption attorney in this state shall be required to register with the department.

(d) An adoption facilitator, when posting a bond, shall also file with the department a disclosure form containing the adoption facilitator's name, date of birth, residence address, business address, residence telephone number, business telephone number, and the number of adoptions facilitated for the previous year. Along with the disclosure form, the adoption facilitator shall provide all of the following information to the department:

(1) Proof that the facilitator and any member of the staff who provides direct adoption services has completed two years of college courses, with at least half of the units and hours focusing on social work or a related field.

(2) Proof that the facilitator and any member of the staff who provides direct adoption services has a minimum of three years of experience employed by a public or private adoption agency, a registered adoption facilitator, or an adoption attorney who assists in bringing adopting persons and placing parents together for the purpose of adoption placement.

(A) An adoption facilitator and any member of the staff subject to this paragraph may waive the educational and experience requirements by satisfying all of the following requirements:

(i) He or she has over five years of work experience providing direct adoption services.

(ii) He or she has not been found liable of malfeasance in connection with providing adoption services.

(iii) He or she provides three separate letters of support attesting to his or her ethics and work providing direct adoption services from any of the following:

(I) A licensed public or private adoption agency.

(II) A member of the Academy of California Adoption Lawyers.

(III) The State Department of Social Services.

(B) An adoption facilitator who is registered with the department may also register staff members under the designation of "trainee." A trainee may provide direct adoption services without meeting the requirements of this paragraph. Any trainee registered with the department shall be directly supervised by an individual who meets all registration requirements.

(3) A valid business license.

(4) A valid, current, government-issued identification to determine the adoption facilitator's identity, such as a California driver's license, identification card, passport, or other form of identification that is acceptable to the department.

(5) Fingerprint images for a background check to be used by the department for the purposes described in this section.

(e) The State Department of Social Services may submit fingerprint images of adoption facilitators to the Department of Justice for the purpose of obtaining criminal offender record information regarding state and federal level convictions and arrests, including arrests for which the Department of Justice establishes that the person is free on bail or on his or her recognizance pending trial or appeal.

(1) The Department of Justice shall forward to the Federal Bureau of Investigation requests for federal summary criminal history information received pursuant to this section. The Department of Justice shall review the information returned from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and compile and disseminate a response to the department.

(2) The Department of Justice shall provide a response to the department pursuant to subdivision (n) of Section 11105 of the Penal Code.

(3) The department shall request from the Department of Justice subsequent arrest notification service, as provided pursuant to Section 11105.2 of the Penal Code.

(4) The Department of Justice shall charge a fee sufficient to cover the cost of processing the request described in this section.

(f) The department may impose a fee upon applicants for each set of classifiable fingerprint cards that it processes pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (d).

(g) The department shall post on its Internet Web site information that shows if an adoption facilitator is in compliance with the registration and bond requirements of this chapter. The department shall ensure that the information is current and shall update the information at least once every 30 days. However, pursuant to the provisions of Section 11142 of the Penal Code, neither the department nor any employee of the department shall reveal the state summary criminal history record or any information from the record to a member of the public.

(h) The department shall develop the disclosure form required pursuant to subdivision (d) and shall make it available to any adoption facilitator posting a bond.

(i) The department may charge adoption facilitators an annual filing fee to recover all costs associated with the requirements of this section and that fee shall be set by regulation.

(j) The department may create an Adoption Facilitator Account for deposit of fees received from registrants.

(k) On or before January 1, 2008, the department shall make recommendations for the registry program to the Legislature, including a recommendation on how to implement a department program to accept and compile complaints against registered adoption facilitators and to provide public access to those complaints, by specific facilitator, through the department's Internet Web site.

(*l*) The adoption facilitator registry established pursuant to this section shall become operative on the first day of the first month following an appropriation from the Adoption Facilitator Account to the State Department of Social Services for the startup costs and the costs of administration of the adoption facilitator registry.

SEC. 92. Section 8919 of the Family Code is amended to read:

8919. (a) Each state resident who adopts a child through an intercountry adoption that is finalized in a foreign country shall readopt the child in this state if it is required by the Department of Homeland Security. Except as provided in subdivision (c), the readoption shall include, but is not limited to, at least one

postplacement in-home visit, the filing of the adoption petition, the intercountry adoption court report, accounting reports, the home study report, and the final adoption order. If the adoptive parents have already completed a home study as part of their adoption process, a copy of that study shall be submitted in lieu of a second home study. No readoption order shall be granted unless the court receives a copy of the home study report previously completed for the international finalized adoption by an adoption agency authorized to provide intercountry adoption services pursuant to Section 8900. The court shall consider the postplacement visit or visits and the previously completed home study when deciding whether to grant or deny the petition for readoption.

(b) Each state resident who adopts a child through an intercountry adoption that is finalized in a foreign country may readopt the child in this state. Except as provided in subdivision (c), the readoption shall meet the standards described in subdivision (a).

(c) (1) A state resident who adopts a child through an intercountry adoption that is finalized in a foreign country with adoption standards that meet or exceed those of this state, as certified by the State Department of Social Services, may readopt the child in this state according to this subdivision. The readoption shall include one postplacement in-home visit and the final adoption order.

(2) The petition to readopt may be granted if all of the following apply:

(A) The adoption was finalized in accordance with the laws of the foreign country.

(B) The resident has filed with the petition a copy of both of the following:

(i) The decree, order, or certificate of adoption that evidences finalization of the adoption in the foreign country.

(ii) The child's birth certificate and visa.

(C) A certified translation is included of all documents described in this paragraph that are not in English.

(3) If the court denies a petition for readoption, the court shall summarize its reasons for the denial on the record.

(d) The State Department of Social Services shall certify whether the adoption standards in the following countries meet or exceed those of this state:

(1) China

(2) Guatemala

(3) Kazakhstan

(4) Russia

(5) South Korea

(e) In addition to the requirement or option of the readoption process set forth in this section, each state resident who adopts a child through an intercountry adoption which is finalized in a foreign country may obtain a birth certificate in the State of California in accordance with the provisions of Section 102635 or 103450 of the Health and Safety Code.

SEC. 93. Section 9205 of the Family Code is amended to read:

9205. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, the department or adoption agency that joined in the adoption petition shall release the names and addresses of siblings to one another if both of the siblings have attained 18 years of age and have filed the following with the department or agency:

(1) A current address.

(2) A written request for contact with any sibling whose existence is known to the person making the request.

(3) A written waiver of the person's rights with respect to the disclosure of the person's name and address to the sibling, if the person is an adoptee.

(b) Upon inquiry and proof that a person is the sibling of an adoptee who has filed a waiver pursuant to this section, the department or agency may advise the sibling that a waiver has been filed by the adoptee. The department or agency may charge a reasonable fee, not to exceed fifty dollars ($50), for providing the service required by this section.

(c) An adoptee may revoke a waiver filed pursuant to this section by giving written notice of revocation to the department or agency.

(d) The department shall adopt a form for the request authorized by this section. The form shall provide for an affidavit to be executed by a person seeking to employ the procedure provided by this section that, to the best of the person's knowledge, the person is an adoptee or sibling of an adoptee. The form also shall contain a notice of an adoptee's rights pursuant to subdivision (c)

and a statement that information will be disclosed only if there is a currently valid waiver on file with the department or agency. The department may adopt regulations requiring any additional means of identification from a person making a request pursuant to this section as it deems necessary.

(e) The department or agency may not solicit the execution of a waiver authorized by this section. However, the department shall announce the availability of the procedure authorized by this section, utilizing a means of communication appropriate to inform the public effectively.

(f) Notwithstanding the age requirement described in subdivision (a), an adoptee or sibling who is under 18 years of age may file a written waiver of confidentiality for the release of his or her name, address, and telephone number pursuant to this section provided that, if an adoptee, the adoptive parent consents, and, if a sibling, the sibling's legal parent or guardian consents. If the sibling is under the jurisdiction of the dependency court and has no legal parent or guardian able or available to provide consent, the dependency court may provide that consent.

(g) Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) and (e), an adoptee or sibling who seeks contact with the other for whom no waiver is on file may petition the court to appoint a confidential intermediary. If the sibling being sought is the adoptee, the intermediary shall be the department or licensed adoption agency that provided adoption services as described in Section 8521 or 8533. If the sibling being sought was formerly under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, but is not an adoptee, the intermediary shall be the department, the county child welfare agency that provided services to the dependent child, or the licensed adoption agency that provided adoption services to the sibling seeking contact, as appropriate. If the court finds that the licensed adoption agency that conducted the adoptee's adoption is unable, due to economic hardship, to serve as the intermediary, then the agency shall provide all records related to the adoptee or the sibling to the court and the court shall appoint an alternate confidential intermediary. The court shall grant the petition unless it finds that it would be detrimental to the adoptee or sibling with whom contact is sought. The intermediary shall have access to all records of the adoptee or the sibling and shall make all reasonable efforts to locate and attempt to obtain the consent of the adoptee, sibling, or adoptive

or birth parent, as required to make the disclosure authorized by this section. The confidential intermediary shall notify any located adoptee, sibling, or adoptive or birth parent that consent is optional, not required by law, and does not affect the status of the adoption. If that individual denies the request for consent, the confidential intermediary shall not make any further attempts to obtain consent. The confidential intermediary shall use information found in the records of the adoptee or the sibling for authorized purposes only, and may not disclose that information without authorization. If contact is sought with an adoptee or sibling who is under 18 years of age, the confidential intermediary shall contact and obtain the consent of that child's legal parent before contacting the child. If the sibling is under 18 years of age, under the jurisdiction of the dependency court, and has no legal parent or guardian able or available to provide consent, the intermediary shall obtain that consent from the dependency court. If the adoptee is seeking information regarding a sibling who is known to be a dependent child of the juvenile court, the procedures set forth in subdivision (b) of Section 388 of the Welfare and Institutions Code shall be utilized. If the adoptee is foreign born and was the subject of an intercountry adoption as defined in Section 8527, the adoption agency may fulfill the reasonable efforts requirement by utilizing all information in the agency's case file, and any information received upon request from the foreign adoption agency that conducted the adoption, if any, to locate and attempt to obtain the consent of the adoptee, sibling, or adoptive or birth parent. If that information is neither in the agency's case file, nor received from the foreign adoption agency, or if the attempts to locate are unsuccessful, then the agency shall be relieved of any further obligation to search for the adoptee or the sibling.

(h) For purposes of this section, "sibling" means a biological sibling, half-sibling, or step-sibling of the adoptee.

SEC. 94. Section 17419 of the Financial Code is amended to read:

17419. On and after January 1, 1992, any person seeking employment with an escrow agent shall complete an employment application on or before the first day of employment which includes, at least, the following information. A copy of the employment application shall be forwarded to the commissioner on or before the first day of the applicant's employment. Persons

required to file a statement of identity and questionnaire pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 17209 or Section 17212.1 are not required to file the employment application set forth in this section. Each person completing the employment application shall be given the notice required by the Information Practices Act (Section 1798.17 of the Civil Code), copies of which may be obtained from the commissioner. Nothing in this section shall limit an escrow agent from requesting additional information from an applicant.

STATEMENT OF IDENTITY
AND EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION

Name of Escrow Company:_____

Escrow Agent License Number:_____

1. Exact Full Name:

_____

(Please Print or Type) First Name Middle Name Last Name

(Do not use initials or nicknames)

Title of position to be filled in connection with the preparation of this employment application.

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2. Employment for the last 10 years:

From	To	Employer Name and Address	Occupation and Duties
	Present		

NOTE: Attach separate schedule if space is not adequate.

3. Residence addresses for the last 10 years:

From	To	Street	City	State
	Present			

NOTE: Attach separate schedule if space is not adequate.

4. Have you ever been named in any order, judgment, or decree of any court or any governmental agency or administrator, temporarily or permanently restraining or enjoining you from engaging in or continuing any conduct, practice, or employment?

( ) Yes ( ) No

If the answer is "Yes," please complete the following:

Date of Suit:_____

Location of Court (City, County, State):_____

Nature of Suit:_____

Note: Attach a certified copy of any order, judgment, or decree.

5. Have you ever been refused a license to engage in any business in this state or any other state, or has any such license ever been suspended or revoked?

( ) Yes ( ) No

If the answer is "Yes," please complete the following:

State:_____ Title of State Department:_____

Nature of License and Number:_____

Note: Attach a certified copy of any order, judgment, or decree.

6. Have you ever been convicted of or pleaded nolo contendere to a crime other than minor traffic citations that do not constitute a misdemeanor or felony offense?

NOTE: A conviction is a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. A conviction also includes an order granting probation and suspending the imposition of sentence, notwithstanding a subsequent order pursuant to Section 1203.4 or 1203.4a of the Penal Code permitting the person to withdraw his or her plea of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information, or indictment.

( ) Yes ( ) No

If the answer is "Yes," please complete the following:

Date of Case:_____

Location of Court (City, County, State):_____

Nature of Case:_____

Note: Attach a certified copy of any order, judgment, or decree.

7. Have you ever been a defendant in a civil court action other than divorce, condemnation, or personal injury?

( ) Yes ( ) No

If the answer is "Yes," please complete the following:

Date of Suit:_____

Location of Court (City, County, State):_____

Nature of Suit:_____

Note: Attach a certified copy of any order, judgment, or decree.

8. Have you ever changed your name or ever been known by any name other than that herein listed?

(**Including a woman's maiden name**)

( ) Yes ( ) No

If so, explain. Change in name through marriage or court order should also be listed.

EXACT DATE OF EACH NAME CHANGE MUST BE LISTED.

_____

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9. Have you ever done business under a fictitious firm name either as an individual or in the partnership or corporate form?

( ) Yes ( ) No

If the answer is "Yes," set forth particulars:

_____

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10. Have you ever been a subject of a bankruptcy or a petition in bankruptcy?

( ) Yes ( ) No

If the answer is "Yes," give date, title of case, location of bankruptcy filing:

_____

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11. Have you ever been refused a bond, or have you ever had a bond revoked or canceled?

( ) Yes ( ) No

If the answer is "Yes," give details:

_____

_____

12. In what capacity will you be employed? _____

(e.g., Clerk, Escrow Officer, Receptionist, etc.)

13. Do you expect to be a party to, or broker or salesperson in connection with, escrows conducted by the escrow company which is employing you?

( ) Yes ( ) No

If the answer is "Yes," please explain:

_____

_____

_____

NOTE: Attach separate schedule if space is not adequate.

VERIFICATION

I, the undersigned, state that I am the person named in the foregoing Statement of Identity and Employment Application; that I have read and signed the Statement of Identity and Employment Application and know the contents thereof, including all exhibits attached thereto, and that the statements made therein, including any exhibits attached thereto, are true.

Any person who knows or should have known of a violation of this section shall immediately report the violation in writing to the commissioner.

I certify/declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed at_____

(City)

_____

(County) (State)

this_____day of_____, 20 __.

_____

(Signature of Declarant)

SEC. 95. Section 22168 of the Financial Code is amended to read:

22168. (a) The commissioner may, after appropriate notice and opportunity for hearing, suspend for a period not to exceed 12 months or bar a person from any position of employment with a

licensee if the commissioner finds that the person has willfully used or claimed without authority a designation or certification of special education, practice, or skill that the person has not attained, or willfully held out to the public a confusingly similar designation or certification for the purpose of misleading the public regarding his or her qualifications or experience.

(b) Within 15 days from the date of a notice of intention to issue an order pursuant to subdivision (a), the person may request a hearing under the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code). Upon receiving a request, the matter shall be set for hearing to commence within 30 days after receipt unless the person subject to this division consents to a later date. If no hearing is requested within 15 days after the mailing or service of the notice and none is ordered by the commissioner, the failure to request a hearing shall constitute a waiver of the right to a hearing.

(c) Upon receipt of a notice of intention to issue an order pursuant to subdivision (a), the person who is the subject of the proposed order is immediately prohibited from engaging in any activities subject to licensure under this division.

(d) Persons suspended or barred under this section are prohibited from participating in any business activity of a licensed finance lender and from engaging in any business activity on the premises where a licensed finance lender is conducting its business. This subdivision shall not be construed to prohibit suspended or barred persons from having their personal transactions processed by a licensed finance lender.

SEC. 96. Section 5650 of the Fish and Game Code is amended to read:

5650. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), it is unlawful to deposit in, permit to pass into, or place where it can pass into the waters of this state any of the following:

(1) Any petroleum, acid, coal or oil tar, lampblack, aniline, asphalt, bitumen, or residuary product of petroleum, or carbonaceous material or substance.

(2) Any refuse, liquid or solid, from any refinery, gas house, tannery, distillery, chemical works, mill, or factory of any kind.

(3) Any sawdust, shavings, slabs, or edgings.

(4) Any factory refuse, lime, or slag.

(5) Any cocculus indicus.

(6) Any substance or material deleterious to fish, plant life, mammals, or bird life.

(b) This section does not apply to a discharge or a release that is expressly authorized pursuant to, and in compliance with, the terms and conditions of a waste discharge requirement pursuant to Section 13263 of the Water Code or a waiver issued pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 13269 of the Water Code issued by the State Water Resources Control Board or a regional water quality control board after a public hearing, or that is expressly authorized pursuant to, and in compliance with, the terms and conditions of a federal permit for which the State Water Resources Control Board or a regional water quality control board has, after a public hearing, issued a water quality certification pursuant to Section 13160 of the Water Code. This section does not confer additional authority on the State Water Resources Control Board, a regional water quality control board, or any other entity.

(c) It shall be an affirmative defense to a violation of this section if the defendant proves, by a preponderance of the evidence, all of the following:

(1) The defendant complied with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations requiring that the discharge or release be reported to a government agency.

(2) The substance or material did not enter the waters of the state or a storm drain that discharges into the waters of the state.

(3) The defendant took reasonable and appropriate measures to effectively mitigate the discharge or release in a timely manner.

(d) The affirmative defense in subdivision (c) does not apply and may not be raised in an action for civil penalties or injunctive relief pursuant to Section 5650.1.

(e) The affirmative defense in subdivision (c) does not apply and may not be raised by any defendant who has on two prior occasions in the preceding five years, in any combination within the same county in which the case is prosecuted, either pleaded nolo contendere, been convicted of a violation of this section, or suffered a judgment for a violation of this section or Section 5650.1. This subdivision shall apply only to cases filed on or after January 1, 1997.

(f) The affirmative defense in subdivision (c) does not apply and may not be raised by the defendant in any case in which a

district attorney, city attorney, or Attorney General alleges, and the court finds, that the defendant acted willfully.

SEC. 97. Section 12003.2 of the Fish and Game Code is amended to read:

12003.2. Notwithstanding Section 12002 or 12008, the punishment for any violation of Section 4500 or 4700 is a fine of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) for each unlawful taking, imprisonment in a county jail for the period prescribed in Section 12002 or 12008, or both the fine and imprisonment.

SEC. 98. Section 13007 of the Fish and Game Code is amended to read:

13007. (a) Notwithstanding Section 13001 and paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 13005, commencing July 1, 2006, 33⅓ percent of all sport fishing license fees collected pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 7145) of Chapter 1 of Part 2 of Division 6, except license fees collected pursuant to Section 7149.8, shall be deposited into the Hatchery and Inland Fisheries Fund, which is hereby established in the State Treasury. Moneys in the fund may be expended, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to support programs of the Department of Fish and Game related to the management, maintenance, and capital improvement of California's fish hatcheries, the Heritage and Wild Trout Program, and enforcement activities related thereto, and to support other activities eligible to be funded from revenue generated by sport fishing license fees.

(b) The sport fishing license fees collected and subject to appropriation pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be used for the following purposes:

(1) For the department's attainment of the following production goals for state hatcheries, based on the sales of the following types of sport fishing licenses: resident; lifetime; nonresident year; nonresident, 10-day; 2-day; 1-day; and reduced fee.

(A) By July 1, 2007, a minimum of 2.25 pounds of released trout per sport fishing license sold in 2006, 1.75 pounds of which must be of catchable size or larger.

(B) By July 1, 2008, a minimum of 2.5 pounds of released trout per sport fishing license sold in 2007, 2.0 pounds of which must be of catchable size or larger.

(C) By July 1, 2009, and thereafter, a minimum of 2.75 pounds of released trout per sport fishing license sold in 2008, 2.25 pounds of which must be of catchable size or larger.

(D) The department shall attain these goals in compliance with Fish and Game Commission trout policies concerning catchable-sized trout stocking.

(2) To the Heritage and Wild Trout Program, two million dollars ($2,000,000), which shall be used for permanent positions and seasonal aides in each region of the state as necessary, and other activities necessary to the program.

(A) The funds allocated pursuant to this paragraph shall be used to fund seven new positions for the Heritage and Wild Trout Program.

(B) In addition to the seven new positions specified in subparagraph (A), the department may hire seasonal aides in each region of the state to assist with the operations of the Heritage and Wild Trout Program.

(3) The department shall, by July 1, 2011, ensure that 25 percent of the fish produced by state fish hatcheries are used for the purpose of initiating and managing the restoration of naturally indigenous stocks of trout to their original California source watersheds. This paragraph shall not be construed to prohibit the department from using surplus fish in waters outside of their original California source watersheds. All trout restored pursuant to this paragraph shall be native California trout, as defined in Section 7261. The department shall attain the 25-percent restoration goal of this paragraph according to the following schedule:

(A) By July 1, 2009, 15 percent and at least four species, not including the coastal rainbow trout/steelhead.

(B) By July 1, 2010, 20 percent and at least four species, not including the coastal rainbow trout/steelhead.

(C) By July 1, 2011, and thereafter, 25 percent and at least five species, not including the coastal rainbow trout/steelhead.

(4) The department may hire additional staff for state fish hatcheries, in order to comply with this subdivision.

(c) The department may allocate any funds under this section, not necessary to maintain the minimums specified in paragraphs (1) and (3) of subdivision (b), and after the expenditure in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b), to the Fish and Game Preservation Fund.

(d) The department may utilize federal funds to meet the funding formula specified in subdivision (a) if those funds are otherwise legally available for this purpose.

(e) A portion of the moneys subject to appropriation pursuant to subdivision (a) may be used for the purpose of obtaining scientifically valid genetic determinations of California native trout stocks, consistent with Theme 1 in the executive summary of the department's Strategic Plan for Trout Management, published November 2003.

(f) The department, by July 1, 2008, and annually thereafter, shall report back to the fiscal and policy committees in the Legislature on the implementation of these provisions.

SEC. 99. Section 19348.1 of the Food and Agricultural Code is amended to read:

19348.1. The State Veterinarian is authorized to approve temporary research projects for the purpose of determining whether alternative methods of animal tissue disposal are capable of destroying organisms that cause disease and can be used effectively to protect public health and agricultural animals. Temporary projects shall not be approved for a period longer than 24 months.

SEC. 100. Section 33251 of the Food and Agricultural Code is amended to read:

33251. The county that maintains an approved milk inspection service where an inspection fee is levied and collected shall determine the actual cost of making an inspection of a dairy farm that produces market milk within the area that is designated and assigned to that service by the secretary. Records of the cost determination shall be made and maintained by the county for examination by the secretary or other interested person.

SEC. 101. Section 33261 of the Food and Agricultural Code is amended to read:

33261. Charges that are made by any approved milk inspection service for inspection fees are subject to audit by the secretary, and for this purpose the secretary shall have access to all books, papers, records, or documents that pertain to any and all transactions of any approved milk inspection service and may inspect and copy them in any place within the state.

SEC. 102. Section 33262 of the Food and Agricultural Code is amended to read:

33262. Ten percent of the producers within any approved inspection area may file with the secretary a written protest as to the reasonableness of any inspection fee that is levied and collected from the producer pursuant to Section 33252.

SEC. 103. Section 33297 of the Food and Agricultural Code is amended to read:

33297. Any person subject to inspection fees provided for in Section 33291 may file with the secretary a written protest as to the reasonableness of any inspection fee that is levied and collected from those persons.

The secretary shall, after 30 days' notice, hold a hearing on the protest and upon completion of the hearing, the secretary shall make and maintain written findings as to whether or not the fee is reasonable.

SEC. 104. Section 79843 of the Food and Agricultural Code is amended and renumbered to read:

78943. (a) The commission may commence civil action and use all remedies provided in law or equity for the enforcement of this chapter, including, but not limited to, the collection of assessments, penalties, and interest, and for obtaining injunctive relief or specific performance regarding this chapter and the procedures adopted pursuant to this chapter. A court shall issue to the commission any requested writ of attachment or injunctive relief upon a prima facie showing by verified complaint that a named defendant has violated this chapter or any other procedure of the commission, including, but not limited to, the nonpayment of assessments. No bond shall be required to be posted by the commission as a condition for the issuance of any writ of attachment or injunctive relief.

(b) A writ of attachment shall be issued pursuant to Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 484.010) of Title 6.5 of Part 2 of the Code of Civil Procedure, except that the showing specified in Section 485.010 of the Code of Civil Procedure is not required. Injunctive relief shall be issued pursuant to Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 525) of Title 7 of Part 2 of the Code of Civil Procedure, except that the showing of irreparable harm or inadequate remedy at law specified in Sections 526 and 527 of the Code of Civil Procedure is not required.

(c) Upon entry of any final judgment on behalf of the commission against any defendant, the court shall enjoin the

defendant from conducting any type of business regarding winegrapes, wine, or winegrape products until there is full compliance and satisfaction of the judgment.

(d) Upon a favorable judgment for the commission, it shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for any reasonable attorney's fees and other actual related costs. Venue for these actions may be established at the domicile or place of business of the defendant or in the county of the principal office of the commission. The commission may be sued only in the county of its principal office.

SEC. 105. Section 905 of the Government Code is amended to read:

905. There shall be presented in accordance with Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 900) and Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 910) all claims for money or damages against local public entities except:

(a) Claims under the Revenue and Taxation Code or other statute prescribing procedures for the refund, rebate, exemption, cancellation, amendment, modification, or adjustment of any tax, assessment, fee, or charge or any portion thereof, or of any penalties, costs, or charges related thereto.

(b) Claims in connection with which the filing of a notice of lien, statement of claim, or stop notice is required under any provision of law relating to mechanics', laborers', or materialmen's liens.

(c) Claims by public employees for fees, salaries, wages, mileage, or other expenses and allowances.

(d) Claims for which the workers' compensation authorized by Division 4 (commencing with Section 3200) of the Labor Code is the exclusive remedy.

(e) Applications or claims for any form of public assistance under the Welfare and Institutions Code or other provisions of law relating to public assistance programs, and claims for goods, services, provisions, or other assistance rendered for or on behalf of any recipient of any form of public assistance.

(f) Applications or claims for money or benefits under any public retirement or pension system.

(g) Claims for principal or interest upon any bonds, notes, warrants, or other evidences of indebtedness.

(h) Claims that relate to a special assessment constituting a specific lien against the property assessed and that are payable

from the proceeds of the assessment, by offset of a claim for damages against it or by delivery of any warrant or bonds representing it.

(i) Claims by the state or by a state department or agency or by another local public entity or by a judicial branch entity.

(j) Claims arising under any provision of the Unemployment Insurance Code, including, but not limited to, claims for money or benefits, or for refunds or credits of employer or worker contributions, penalties, or interest, or for refunds to workers of deductions from wages in excess of the amount prescribed.

(k) Claims for the recovery of penalties or forfeitures made pursuant to Article 1 (commencing with Section 1720) of Chapter 1 of Part 7 of Division 2 of the Labor Code.

(*l*) Claims governed by the Pedestrian Mall Law of 1960 (Part 1 (commencing with Section 11000) of Division 13 of the Streets and Highways Code).

SEC. 106. Section 6103.2 of the Government Code is amended to read:

6103.2. (a) Section 6103 does not apply to any fee or charge or expense for official services rendered by a sheriff or marshal in connection with the levy of writs of attachment, execution, possession, or sale. The fee, charge, or expense may be advanced to the sheriff or marshal, as otherwise required by law.

(b) (1) Notwithstanding Section 6103, the sheriff or marshal, in connection with the service of process or notices, may require that all fees which a public agency, or any person or entity, is required to pay under provisions of law other than this section, be prepaid by a public agency named in Section 6103, or by any person or entity, prior to the performance of any official act. This authority to require prepayment shall include fees governed by Section 6103.5.

(2) This subdivision does not apply to the service of process or notices in any action by the district attorney's office for the establishment or enforcement of a child support obligation.

(3) This subdivision does not apply to a particular jurisdiction unless the sheriff or marshal, as the case may be, imposes the requirement of prepayment upon public agencies and upon all persons or entities within the private sector.

(4) The requirement for prepayment of a fee deposit does not apply to orders or injunctions described in paragraph (1) of

subdivision (q) of Section 527.6 and Section 527.8 of the Code of Civil Procedure, Division 10 (commencing with Section 6200) of the Family Code (Prevention of Domestic Violence), and Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 15600) of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code (Elder Abuse and Dependent Adult Civil Protection Act).

However, a sheriff or marshal may submit a billing to the superior court for payment of fees in the manner prescribed by the Judicial Council irrespective of the in forma pauperis status of any party under Rules 3.50 to 3.63, inclusive, of the California Rules of Court. The fees for service, cancellation of service, and making a not found return may not exceed the amounts provided in Sections 26721, 26736, and 26738, respectively, and are subject to the provisions of Section 26731.

SEC. 107. Section 7072 of the Government Code is amended to read:

7072. For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) "Department" means the Department of Housing and Community Development.

(b) "Date of original designation" means the earlier of the following:

(1) The date the eligible area receives designation as an enterprise zone by the department pursuant to this chapter.

(2) In the case of an enterprise zone deemed designated pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 7073, the date the enterprise zone or program area received original designation by the former Trade and Commerce Agency pursuant to Chapter 12.8 (commencing with Section 7070) or Chapter 12.9 (commencing with Section 7080), as those chapters read prior to January 1, 1997.

(c) "Eligible area" means any of the following:

(1) An area designated as an enterprise zone pursuant to Chapter 12.8 (commencing with Section 7070), as it read prior to January 1, 1997, or as a targeted economic development area, neighborhood development area, or program area pursuant to Chapter 12.9 (commencing with Section 7080), as it read prior to January 1, 1997.

(2) A geographic area that, based upon the determination of the department, fulfills at least one of the following criteria:

(A) The proposed geographic area meets the Urban Development Action Grant criteria of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

(B) The area within the proposed eligible area has experienced plant closures within the past two years affecting more than 100 workers.

(C) The city or county has submitted material to the department for a finding that the proposed geographic area meets criteria of economic distress related to those used in determining eligibility under the Urban Development Action Grant Program and is therefore an eligible area.

(D) The area within the proposed zone has a history of gang-related activity, whether or not crimes of violence have been committed.

(3) A geographic area that meets at least two of the following criteria:

(A) The census tracts within the proposed eligible area have an unemployment rate not less than 3 percentage points above the statewide average for the most recent calendar year as determined by the Employment Development Department.

(B) The county of the proposed eligible area has more than 70 percent of the children enrolled in public school participating in the federal free lunch program.

(C) The median household income for a family of four within the census tracts of the proposed eligible area does not exceed 80 percent of the statewide median income for the most recently available calendar year.

(d) "Enterprise zone" means any area within a city, county, or city and county that is designated as an enterprise zone by the department in accordance with Section 7073.

(e) "Governing body" means a county board of supervisors or a city council, as appropriate.

(f) "G-TEDA"means a geographically targeted economic development area, which is an area designated as an enterprise zone, a Manufacturing Enhancement Area, a targeted tax area, or a local agency military base recovery area.

(g) "High-technology industries" includes, but is not limited to, the computer, biological engineering, electronics, and telecommunications industries.

(h) "Resident," unless otherwise defined, means a person whose principal place of residence is within a targeted employment area.

(i) (1) "Targeted employment area" means an area within a city, county, or city and county that is composed solely of those census tracts designated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development as having at least 51 percent of its residents of low- or moderate-income levels, using either the most recent United States Department of Census data available at the time of the original enterprise zone application or the most recent census data available at the time the targeted employment area is designated to determine that eligibility. The purpose of a "targeted employment area" is to encourage businesses in an enterprise zone to hire eligible residents of certain geographic areas within a city, county, or city and county. A targeted employment area may be, but is not required to be, the same as all or part of an enterprise zone. A targeted employment area's boundaries need not be contiguous. A targeted employment area does not need to encompass each eligible census tract within a city, county, or city and county. The governing body of each city, county, or city and county that has jurisdiction of the enterprise zone shall identify those census tracts whose residents are in the most need of this employment targeting. Only those census tracts within the jurisdiction of the city, county, or city and county that has jurisdiction of the enterprise zone may be included in a targeted employment area.

(2) At least a part of each eligible census tract within a targeted employment area shall be within the territorial jurisdiction of the city, county, or city and county that has jurisdiction for an enterprise zone. If an eligible census tract encompasses the territorial jurisdiction of two or more local governmental entities, all of those entities shall be a party to the designation of a targeted employment area. However, any one or more of those entities, by resolution or ordinance, may specify that it shall not participate in the application as an applicant, but shall agree to complete all actions stated within the application that apply to its jurisdiction, if the area is designated.

(3) Each local governmental entity of each city, county, or city and county that has jurisdiction of an enterprise zone shall approve, by resolution or ordinance, the boundaries of its targeted employment area, regardless of whether a census tract within the

proposed targeted employment area is outside the jurisdiction of the local governmental entity.

(4) (A) Within 180 days of updated United States census data becoming available, each local governmental entity of each city, county, or city and county that has jurisdiction of an enterprise zone shall approve, by resolution or ordinance, boundaries of its targeted employment area reflecting the new census data. If no changes are necessary to the boundaries based on the most current census data, the enterprise zone may send a letter to the department stating that a review has been undertaken by the respective local governmental entities and no boundary changes are required.

(B) A targeted employment area boundary approved prior to the 2000 United States census data becoming available that has not been reviewed and its boundaries revised to reflect the most recent census data, shall be reviewed and updated, and a new resolution or ordinance submitted by the appropriate local governmental entity to the department, by July 1, 2007. However, enterprise zones that expire on or prior to December 31, 2008, shall be exempt from the update requirement.

SEC. 108. Section 7085.1 of the Government Code is amended to read:

7085.1. (a) The governing board of the G-TEDA shall report to the department by October 1, 2008, and by that date every other year thereafter, on the activities of the G-TEDA in the previous two fiscal years and its plans for the current and following fiscal year. The biennial report shall include at least both of the following:

(1) The progress the G-TEDA has made during the period covered by the report relative to its goals, objectives, and commitments set forth in its original application and the department's memorandum of understanding with the G-TEDA.

(2) Identification of the previous two years' funding, including in-kind funding. The previous two years' funding levels shall be compared to the funding levels identified in its original application and the department's memorandum of understanding with the G-TEDA, and the amount identified in the previous year's biennial report. An explanation of any meaningful discrepancies in these amounts shall be provided.

(b) A copy of the biennial report developed pursuant to subdivision (a) shall also be submitted to the legislative bodies of the local jurisdictions comprising the G-TEDA. The progress of

the G-TEDA in meeting the goals, objectives, and commitments set forth in the original application and the memorandum of understanding with the department shall be reviewed at least biennially by these legislative bodies, either as part of the approval of the G-TEDA's annual work plan or separately, at the discretion of the legislative body.

(c) (1) G-TEDAs designated prior to January 1, 2007, shall have until April 15, 2008, to update their benchmarks, goals, objectives, and funding levels for administering the G-TEDA program, in order to make them measurable and conducive to the successful completion of the economic development strategy. The local legislative body and the department shall approve the updated goals and objectives. The updated goals and objectives shall be included as an update to the existing memorandum of understanding between the G-TEDA and the department.

(2) G-TEDAs that fail to obtain approved updated goals and objectives by April 15, 2008, shall be dedesignated effective July 1, 2008. The Director of Housing and Community Development shall provide notice of prospective dedesignation to the local government no later than May 1, 2008. The director may authorize up to two 60-calendar-day extensions, if the local government and G-TEDA are acting in good faith and the additional time would allow them to meet the requirements of this subdivision. Businesses located within a G-TEDA that have been dedesignated shall continue to have access to tax incentives previously authorized within the G-TEDA pursuant to Section 7082.2.

(3) G-TEDAs designated prior to January 1, 2007, are not required to implement the biennial reporting requirements of subdivisions (a) and (b) until October 1, 2009.

(4) G-TEDAs that expire prior to January 1, 2010, are not required to meet the conditions of this subdivision.

(d) The department shall biennially make available to the Legislature information related to the progress that each G-TEDA is making toward implementing its goals, objectives, and commitments set forth in the original application, the department's memorandum of understanding with the G-TEDA, and the biennial report.

SEC. 109. Section 8592.1 of the Government Code is amended to read:

8592.1. For purposes of this article, the following terms have the following meanings:

(a) "Backward compatibility" means that the equipment is able to function with older, existing equipment.

(b) "Committee" means the Public Safety Radio Strategic Planning Committee, which was established in December 1994 in recognition of the need to improve existing public radio systems and to develop interoperability among public safety departments and between state public safety departments and local or federal entities, and which consists of representatives of the following state entities:

(1) The Office of Emergency Services, who shall serve as chairperson.

(2) The Department of the California Highway Patrol.

(3) The Department of Transportation.

(4) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

(5) The Department of Parks and Recreation.

(6) The Department of Fish and Game.

(7) The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

(8) The Department of Justice.

(9) The Department of Water Resources.

(10) The State Department of Health Services.

(11) The Emergency Medical Services Authority.

(12) The Department of General Services.

(13) The Office of Homeland Security.

(14) The Military Department.

(15) The Department of Finance.

(c) "First response agencies" means public agencies that, in the early states of an incident, are responsible for, among other things, the protection and preservation of life, property, evidence, and the environment, including, but not limited to, state fire agencies, state and local emergency medical services agencies, local sheriffs' departments, municipal police departments, county and city fire departments, and police and fire protection districts.

(d) "Nonproprietary equipment or systems" means equipment or systems that are able to function with another manufacturer's equipment or system regardless of type or design.

(e) "Open architecture" means a system that can accommodate equipment from various vendors because it is not a proprietary system.

(f) "Public safety radio subscriber" means the ultimate end user. Subscribers include individuals or organizations, including, for example, local police departments, fire departments, and other operators of a public safety radio system. Typical subscriber equipment includes end instruments, including mobile radios, hand-held radios, mobile repeaters, fixed repeaters, transmitters, or receivers that are interconnected to utilize assigned public safety communications frequencies.

(g) "Public safety spectrum" means the spectrum allocated by the Federal Communications Commission for operation of interoperable and general use radio communication systems for public safety purposes within the state.

SEC. 110. Section 8610 of the Government Code is amended to read:

8610. Counties, cities and counties, and cities may create disaster councils by ordinance. A disaster council shall develop plans for meeting any condition constituting a local emergency or state of emergency, including, but not limited to, earthquakes, natural or manmade disasters specific to that jurisdiction, or state of war emergency; those plans shall provide for the effective mobilization of all of the resources within the political subdivision, both public and private. The disaster council shall supply a copy of any plans developed pursuant to this section to the Office of Emergency Services. The governing body of a county, city and county, or city may, in the ordinance or by resolution adopted pursuant to the ordinance, provide for the organization, powers and duties, divisions, services, and staff of the emergency organization. The governing body of a county, city and county, or city may, by ordinance or resolution, authorize public officers, employees, and registered volunteers to command the aid of citizens when necessary in the execution of their duties during a state of war emergency, a state of emergency, or a local emergency.

Counties, cities and counties, and cities may enact ordinances and resolutions and either establish rules and regulations or authorize disaster councils to recommend to the director of the local emergency organization rules and regulations for dealing with local emergencies that can be adequately dealt with locally; and further may act to carry out mutual aid on a voluntary basis and, to this end, may enter into agreements.

SEC. 111. The heading of Chapter 8.1 (commencing with Section 8710) of Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code is amended to read:

Chapter 8.1. California-Mexico Border Relations Council

SEC. 112. Section 8880.325 of the Government Code is amended to read:

8880.325. The right of any person to a prize shall not be assignable, except that the payment of any prize may be assigned, in whole or in part, as provided by Section 8880.326 and this section under any of the following circumstances:

(a) An assignment executed by the prizewinner on a form approved by, and filed with, the commission during the prizewinner's lifetime in accordance with regulations adopted by the commission, to a trust that by its terms is revocable and that is established by the prizewinner for the benefit of the prizewinner as a beneficiary and governed by the laws of the state.

(b) An appropriate judicial order appointing a conservator or a guardian for the protection of the prizewinner or for adjudicating rights to, or ownership of, the prize.

(c) An assignment, as collateral, to a person to secure a loan pursuant to Division 9 (commencing with Section 9101) of the Commercial Code. The assignment as collateral of the right to receive payment of a prize shall be subject to all of the following:

(1) All security agreements, rights of the prizewinner, and rights of the secured creditor shall be determined pursuant to the laws of the state.

(2) In the event of a default under the loan or security agreement, the secured creditor's rights shall be limited to receiving the regular payments made by the lottery, based on the prizewinner's right to receive a regular prize payment until the obligation has been paid in full or the prize has been paid in full, whichever occurs first. Notwithstanding Division 9 (commencing with Section 9101) of the Commercial Code, the secured creditor shall not have the right to sell or assign the prizewinner's rights to payments to itself or to any other person. This section shall not limit the secured creditor's right to sell, assign, or transfer the obligation of the debtor and related security interest to a third party.

(3) The prizewinner and secured creditor may agree, and may jointly instruct the lottery, to directly deposit all prizewinning payments into an account maintained by the prizewinner at a federally insured financial institution located within the state. This account may be subject to the secured creditor's lien. Upon receipt of these instructions, the lottery shall continue to deposit all payments due the prizewinner into the account until the lottery receives notification from both the secured creditor and the prizewinner that the payments are to be made to an account maintained at another bank or that the secured creditor releases or terminates the security interest in the prizewinner's payments.

(4) (A) The prizewinner, pursuant to an order of the court obtained in compliance with subdivision (d), may direct the lottery to make the prize payments, in whole or in part, directly to the secured creditor. A direction to the lottery to make a prize payment to a secured creditor shall not, in itself, constitute an assignment of the prize payment to the secured creditor.

(B) For purposes of this paragraph and subdivision (d), "assignee" and "secured creditor" are synonymous, and "assignment" or "prize payment" means the payment that is directed to be paid to the secured creditor.

(5) For purposes of perfecting the security interest of the secured creditor, the right of the prizewinner to receive payments is deemed to be a contract right that is perfected by the filing of a financing statement with the office of the Secretary of State.

(6) A copy of the security agreement, an endorsed copy of the financing statement, and the joint instruction to deposit the prizewinner's payments directly into an account, if any, at the financial institution shall be filed with the lottery. Notwithstanding the security interest granted a creditor, all lottery payments shall be made payable directly to the prizewinner, except as follows:

(A) Payments sent directly to the financial institution designated pursuant to paragraph (3).

(B) In the event of a default under the security agreement or obligation it secures, payments sent directly to the secured creditor pursuant to an order of a court of competent jurisdiction determining that the payments are to be made directly to the secured creditor.

(7) Upon the termination or release of the security interest, the secured creditor shall file an endorsed copy of the release or termination of the security interest with the lottery.

(d) Except as provided in subdivision (j), an assignment of future payments to another person designated pursuant to an appropriate judicial order of a California superior court or a federal court having jurisdiction over property located within California, if the court determines and states in its order all of the following:

(1) That the prizewinner was represented by independent legal counsel whose name and State Bar of California number appears as counsel of record on all pleadings filed in any and all court proceedings. The prizewinner's legal counsel shall appear as counsel of record at any proceedings that are required by the court.

(2) That the prizewinner has represented to the court either by sworn testimony if a personal appearance is required by the court, or by written declaration filed with the court under penalty of perjury, and that the court has determined these representations to be true and correct, that the prizewinner (A) has reviewed and understands the terms and effects of the assignment, (B) understands that he or she will not receive the prize payments or portions thereof for the years assigned, (C) has entered into the agreement of his or her own free will without undue influence or duress and not under the influence of drugs or alcohol, (D) has had an opportunity to retain independent financial and tax advice, and (E) has been represented by independent legal counsel, who has advised the prizewinner of his or her legal rights and obligations under the assignment.

(3) It shall be the responsibility of the prizewinner to bring to the attention of the court, either by sworn testimony or by written declaration submitted under penalty of perjury, the existence or nonexistence of a current spouse. If married, the prizewinner shall identify his or her spouse and submit to the court a signed and notarized statement wherein the spouse consents to the assignment. If the prizewinner is married and the notarized statement is not presented to the court, the court shall determine, to the extent necessary and as appropriate under applicable law, the ability of the prizewinner to make the proposed assignment without the spouse's consent.

(4) The specific prize payment or payments assigned, or any portion thereof, including the dates and amounts of the payments

to be assigned, the years in which each payment is to begin and end, the gross amount of the annual payments assigned before taxes, the prizewinner's name as it appears on the lottery claim form, the full legal name of the assignor if different than the prizewinner's name as it appears on the lottery claim form, the assignor's social security or tax identification number, the assignee's full legal name and social security or tax identification number, and, if applicable, the citizenship or resident alien number of the assignee if a natural person.

(5) Expressly identifies the amount, the date if available, any nonspouse coowner, claimant, or lienholder, and the interests, liens, security interests, assignments, or offsets asserted by the state or other persons against any of the prize payments, including, but not limited to, those payments that are the subject of the proposed assignment as those interests, liens, security interests, assignments, or offsets have been represented to the court by the prizewinner in a written declaration signed under penalty of perjury and filed with the court.

(6) That the lottery and the State of California are not parties to the proceeding and that the lottery and the state may rely upon the order in disbursing the prize payments that are the subject of the order. Further, that upon payment of prize moneys pursuant to an order of the court, the lottery, the director, the commission, and the employees of the lottery and the state shall be discharged of any and all liability for the prize paid, and these persons and entities shall have no duty or obligation to any person asserting another interest in, or right to receive, the prize payment.

(7) That the prizewinner or the proposed assignee has obtained and filed with the court a notification from the lottery of any liens, levies, or claims, and the Controller's office of any offsets asserted as of that time against the prizewinner, as reflected in their respective official records as of the time of the notification. The date of the notification shall not be more than 20 days prior to the court hearing, unless extended by the court.

(e) The assignment of the right to receive any prize payment or payments by the prizewinner pursuant to subdivision (d) shall be conditioned on the following terms, conditions, and rights, which may not be waived or modified by the prizewinner:

(1) The payment of moneys to, or on behalf of, the prizewinner by the assignee in consideration for the assignment of the prize

payment or payments shall be made in full prior to the time when, under the terms of the assignment, the lottery is required to make the first prize payment to the assignee, or may be made in two installments, the first being paid prior to the time when, under the terms of the assignment, the lottery is required to make the first prize payment to the assignee and the second installment within 11 months thereafter. The second installment shall not be in an amount that exceeds the first installment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any other installment payment schedule is permitted if the installment obligation relating to the installments is guaranteed by a financial institution, as defined in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 4981 of the Financial Code, or a brokerage firm that is a member of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC), as required by the federal Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970 (15 U.S.C. Sec. 78aaa et seq.).

(2) If the prizewinner elects to accept the consideration to be paid for the assignment in two installments as provided in paragraph (1), the prizewinner shall have a special lien for the balance of any payment due, effective without any further action, agreement, or notice, on any of the prize payments assigned by the prizewinner for the payment of moneys from the assignee. This lien shall terminate upon the prizewinner receiving actual payment of the moneys. The tendering of a check, payment instrument, or recital of payment shall not constitute actual payment of moneys for the purposes of this paragraph. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a prizewinner accepts an installment obligation guaranteed by a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) or SIPC insured entity, then the lien created by this section shall automatically terminate upon delivery of the installment obligation.

(3) The Legislature finds and declares that the creation of a statutory lien in favor of a prizewinner is necessary to protect the rights of the prizewinner from any creditors, subsequent bankruptcy trustees of the assignee, or from any subsequent assignees when the prizewinner has not received full payment for the assigned prize payments.

(f) Prior to the assignment of any prize as provided in subdivisions (c) and (d), the Controller shall determine whether the prizewinner owes any obligation that is subject to offset under Article 2 (commencing with Section 12410) of Chapter 5 of Part

2 of Division 3 and shall provide written notification of that determination to the lottery and to the Secretary of State.

(g) If the lottery determines that the court order issued pursuant to subdivision (d) is complete and correct in all respects, the lottery shall send the prizewinner and the assignee or assignees written confirmation of receipt of the court-ordered assignment and of the lottery's intention to rely thereon in making future payments to the assignee or assignees named in the court order.

(h) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, by entering into an agreement to assign any prize payments pursuant to subdivision (c) or (d), a prizewinner shall be deemed to have waived any statutory period of limitation as to the State of California enforcing any rights against annual prize payments due after the last assigned payment is paid or released, if assigned as collateral, from the lien granted the secured creditor. No assignment of prize payments pursuant to either subdivision (c) or (d) shall be valid or allowed for the final three annual prize payments from the lottery to the prizewinner.

(i) Any loans made to a prizewinner pursuant to this section shall be exempt from the usury provisions of Article XV of the California Constitution with respect to an assignment of a lottery prize as collateral to secure a loan.

(j) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, no prizewinner shall have the right to assign prize payments pursuant to subdivision (d) or direct the payment of a prize pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (c) if any of the following occurs:

(A) The issuance by the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) of a technical rule letter, revenue ruling, or other public ruling of the IRS in which the IRS determines that, based upon the right of assignment provided in subdivision (d), a California lottery prizewinner who does not assign any prize payments pursuant to subdivision (d) would be subject to an immediate income tax liability for the value of the entire prize rather than annual income tax liability for each installment when paid.

(B) The issuance by a court of competent jurisdiction of a published decision holding that, based upon the right of assignment provided in subdivision (d), a California lottery prizewinner who does not assign any prize payments pursuant to subdivision (d) would be subject to an immediate income tax liability for the value

of the entire prize rather than annual income tax liability for each installment when paid.

(2) Upon receipt of a letter or ruling from the IRS or a published decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, as specified in paragraph (1), the director shall immediately file a copy of that letter, ruling, or published decision with the Secretary of State.

Immediately upon the filing by the director of a letter, ruling, or published decision with the Secretary of State, a prizewinner shall be ineligible to assign a prize pursuant to subdivision (d) or direct the payment of a prize pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (c).

SEC. 113. Section 9359 of the Government Code is amended to read:

9359. Upon his or her written application to the Board of Administration, (a) a member of this system who was a member on the effective date of this amendment who has attained 60 years of age, (b) a member who hereafter becomes a member of this system who has attained 60 years of age and who is credited with 4 or more years of service, or (c) a member, regardless of age, who is credited with 20 or more years of service, shall be retired, and thereafter shall receive for life the retirement allowance provided in this chapter.

A written application for retirement may be filed at any time during the term of office of the member, or within 30 days after the expiration of his or her term of office. An application that does not specify a different date as the effective date of retirement applied for shall be deemed to be an application for retirement as of the day following the expiration of the term of office of the member.

SEC. 114. Section 9359.1 of the Government Code is amended to read:

9359.1. (a) The retirement allowance for a member all of whose credited service was rendered as a Member of the Senate or Assembly, except as provided in subdivision (d), is an annual amount equal to 5 percent of the compensation payable, at the time payments of the allowance fall due, to incumbent Members of the Senate or Assembly, multiplied by the number of years of service with which the member is credited at the time of his or her retirement, not to exceed 15 years. In no event shall any retirement allowance payable under this chapter to a member exceed the

compensation payable to Members of the Legislature at the time the payment of the allowance is made, except that the retirement allowance of a member who is credited with more than 15 years shall be increased by an amount equal to 3 percent of the compensation payable, at the time payment of the allowance falls due, to incumbent Members of the Senate or Assembly for each year or fraction of a year in excess of 15 years.

(b) The retirement allowance for a member all of whose credited service was rendered as the Insurance Commissioner or as an elective officer of the state whose office is provided for by the Constitution other than a judge or a Member of the Senate or Assembly is the sum of (1) an annual amount equal to 5 percent of the highest compensation received by the officer while serving in that office, multiplied by the number of years of service with which the member is credited at the time of his or her retirement, not to exceed 8 years, plus, if the member is credited with 24 or more years of service, (2) 1⅔ percent of the compensation to which the 5-percent rate is applicable under subparagraph (1) for his or her first 8 years of credited service, multiplied by the number of years of service in excess of 8 years with which the member is credited at the time of his or her retirement, not to exceed 12 years of credited service in excess of the 8 years of service referred to in subparagraph (1).

(c) The retirement allowance for a member part of whose credited service was rendered as a Member of the Senate or Assembly and part of whose credited service was rendered as the Insurance Commissioner or as an elective officer of the state whose office is provided for by the Constitution, other than a judge or a Member of the Senate or Assembly, is the sum of (1) an annual amount equal to 5 percent of all the compensation, at the time payment of the allowance falls due, to the officer holding the highest salaried office that the member held at any time during his or her service prior to retirement, multiplied by the number of years of service with which the member is credited at the time of his or her retirement, not to exceed 8 years, plus, if the member is credited with 24 or more years of service, (2) 1⅔ percent of the compensation to which the 5-percent rate is applicable under subparagraph (1) for his or her first 8 years of credited service, multiplied by the number of years of service rendered as the Insurance Commissioner or as an elective officer of the state whose

office is provided for by the Constitution, other than a judge or a Member of the Senate or Assembly, with which the member is credited at the time of his or her retirement, not to exceed 12 years of that credited service in excess of the 8 years referred to in subparagraph (1). If, however, the member would be entitled to receive a greater allowance under subdivision (a), (b), or (d) if all of his or her credited service had been rendered as a Member of the Senate or Assembly or as the Insurance Commissioner or as an elective officer of the state whose office is provided for by the Constitution other than a judge or a Member of the Senate or Assembly, then all of his or her credited service shall be deemed to have been rendered as a Member of the Senate or Assembly or as an elective officer, and he or she shall receive a retirement allowance computed under subdivision (a), (b), or (d), whichever is greater.

(d) The retirement allowance for a member, all of whose service was rendered as a Member of the Senate or Assembly, who is the surviving spouse of a deceased Member of the Senate or Assembly and who becomes the immediate successor in office of a deceased Member of the Senate or Assembly is an annual amount equal to 5 percent of the compensation payable, at the time the payments of the allowance fall due, to incumbent Members of the Senate or Assembly, multiplied by the number of years of service with which the member is credited at the time of retirement plus the number of years of service as a Member of the Senate or Assembly rendered by the member's deceased spouse plus any period in the term, for which the deceased member was elected, following his or her death, not to exceed 15 years. In no event shall any retirement allowance payable under this chapter to a member exceed the compensation payable to Members of the Legislature at the time the payment of the allowance is made, except that the retirement allowance of a member, whose total service creditable under this subdivision is in excess of 15 years, shall be increased by an amount equal to 3 percent of the compensation payable, at the time payment of the allowance falls due, to incumbent Members of the Senate or Assembly for each year or fraction of a year in excess of 15 years. This same computation of total service creditable shall be used as a basis in determining eligibility for retirement, under Sections 9359 and 9359.16, of a member described in this subdivision. A member to whom this subdivision

applies shall redeposit an amount equal to the contributions that were required to be contributed by his or her deceased spouse while he or she was a member of the system for his or her service, computed on the basis of the salary and rate of contribution in effect at the time service was rendered, or would have been rendered, in the Legislators' Retirement Fund on account of the service of his or her deceased spouse in order to use that service for the purposes of this section and Sections 9359 and 9359.16.

The amendments to this section enacted at the 1969 Regular Session shall apply with respect to a member who retired or retires, or died or dies while eligible to retire on or after May 1, 1969, and any allowance payable with respect to that member who retired or died prior to the effective date of that amendment, shall be adjusted effective from the date of retirement or death to the amount it would have been had the amendment been in effect on that date.

Sections 9359.11 and 9359.12 shall control over any conflicting provisions of this section.

The amendments to this section during the 1973–74 Second Extraordinary Session shall not be applicable to members who are retired on the effective date of the amendments.

SEC. 115. Section 12011.5 of the Government Code is amended to read:

12011.5. (a) In the event of a vacancy in a judicial office to be filled by appointment of the Governor, or in the event that a declaration of candidacy is not filed by a judge and the Governor is required under subdivision (d) of Section 16 of Article VI of the Constitution to nominate a candidate, the Governor shall first submit to a designated agency of the State Bar of California the names of all potential appointees or nominees for the judicial office for evaluation of their judicial qualifications.

(b) The membership of the designated agency of the State Bar responsible for evaluation of judicial candidates shall consist of attorney members and public members with the ratio of public members to attorney members determined, to the extent practical, by the ratio established in Sections 6013.4 and 6013.5 of the Business and Professions Code. It is the intent of this subdivision that the designated agency of the State Bar responsible for evaluation of judicial candidates shall be broadly representative of the ethnic, sexual, and racial diversity of the population of

California and composed in accordance with Sections 11140 and 11141 of the Government Code. The further intent of this subdivision is to establish a selection process for membership on the designated agency of the State Bar responsible for evaluation of judicial candidates under which no member of that agency shall provide inappropriate, multiple representation for purposes of this subdivision.

(c) Upon receipt from the Governor of the names of candidates for judicial office and their completed personal data questionnaires, the State Bar shall employ appropriate confidential procedures to evaluate and determine the qualifications of each candidate with regard to his or her ability to discharge the judicial duties of the office to which the appointment or nomination shall be made. Within 90 days of submission by the Governor of the name of a potential appointee for judicial office, the State Bar shall report in confidence to the Governor its recommendation whether the candidate is exceptionally well qualified, well qualified, qualified, or not qualified and the reasons therefor, and may report, in confidence, other information as the State Bar deems pertinent to the qualifications of the candidate.

(d) In determining the qualifications of a candidate for judicial office, the State Bar shall consider, among other appropriate factors, his or her industry, judicial temperament, honesty, objectivity, community respect, integrity, health, ability, and legal experience.

(e) The State Bar shall establish and promulgate rules and procedures regarding the investigation of the qualifications of candidates for judicial office by the designated agency. These rules and procedures shall establish appropriate, confidential methods for disclosing to the candidate the subject matter of substantial and credible adverse allegations received regarding the candidate's health, physical or mental condition, or moral turpitude which, unless rebutted, would be determinative of the candidate's unsuitability for judicial office. No provision of this section shall be construed as requiring that any rule or procedure be adopted that permits the disclosure to the candidate of information from which the candidate may infer the source, and no information shall either be disclosed to the candidate nor be obtainable by any process that would jeopardize the confidentiality of

communications from persons whose opinion has been sought on the candidate's qualifications.

(f) All communications, written, verbal, or otherwise, of and to the Governor, the Governor's authorized agents or employees, including, but not limited to, the Governor's Legal Affairs Secretary and Appointments Secretary, or of and to the State Bar in furtherance of the purposes of this section are absolutely privileged from disclosure and confidential, and any communication made in the discretion of the Governor or the State Bar with a candidate or person providing information in furtherance of the purposes of this section shall not constitute a waiver of the privilege or a breach of confidentiality.

(g) If the Governor has appointed a person to a trial court who has been found not qualified by the designated agency, the State Bar may make public this fact after due notice to the appointee of its intention to do so, but that notice or disclosure shall not constitute a waiver of privilege or breach of confidentiality with respect to communications of or to the State Bar concerning the qualifications of the appointee.

(h) If the Governor has nominated or appointed a person to the Supreme Court or court of appeal in accordance with subdivision (d) of Section 16 of Article VI of the California Constitution, the Commission on Judicial Appointments may invite, or the State Bar's governing board or its designated agency may submit to the commission its recommendation, and the reasons therefor, but that disclosure shall not constitute a waiver of privilege or breach of confidentiality with respect to communications of or to the State Bar concerning the qualifications of the nominee or appointee.

(i) No person or entity shall be liable for any injury caused by any act or failure to act, be it negligent, intentional, discretionary, or otherwise, in the furtherance of the purposes of this section, including, but not limited to, providing or receiving any information, making any recommendations, and giving any reasons therefor. As used in this section, the term "State Bar" means its governing board and members thereof, the designated agency of the State Bar and members thereof, and employees and agents of the State Bar.

(j) At any time prior to the receipt of the report from the State Bar specified in subdivision (c) the Governor may withdraw the

name of any person submitted to the State Bar for evaluation pursuant to this section.

(k) No candidate for judicial office may be appointed until the State Bar has reported to the Governor pursuant to this section, or until 90 days have elapsed after submission of the candidate's name to the State Bar, whichever occurs earlier. This subdivision shall not apply to any vacancy in judicial office occurring within the 90 days preceding the expiration of the Governor's term of office, provided, however, that with respect to those vacancies and with respect to nominations pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 16 of Article VI of the California Constitution, the Governor shall be required to submit any candidate's name to the State Bar in order to provide it an opportunity, if time permits, to make an evaluation.

(*l*) Nothing in this section shall be construed as imposing an additional requirement for an appointment or nomination to judicial office, nor shall anything in this section be construed as adding any additional qualifications for the office of a judge.

(m) The Board of Governors of the State Bar shall not conduct or participate in, or authorize any committee, agency, employee, or commission of the State Bar to conduct or participate in, any evaluation, review, or report on the qualifications, integrity, diligence, or judicial ability of any specific justice of a court provided for in Section 2 or 3 of Article VI of the California Constitution without prior review and statutory authorization by the Legislature, except an evaluation, review, or report on potential judicial appointees or nominees as authorized by this section.

This subdivision shall not be construed to prohibit a member of the State Bar from conducting or participating in an evaluation, review, or report in his or her individual capacity.

(n) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, on or before March 1, 2007, and on or before March 1 of each year thereafter, all of the following shall occur:

(A) The Governor shall disclose aggregate statewide demographic data provided by all judicial applicants relative to ethnicity and gender.

(B) The designated agency of the State Bar responsible for evaluation of judicial candidates shall collect and release both of the following on an aggregate statewide basis:

(i) Statewide demographic data provided by judicial applicants reviewed relative to ethnicity and gender.

(ii) The statewide summary of the recommendations of the designated agency of the State Bar by ethnicity and gender.

(C) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall collect and release the demographic data provided by justices and judges described in Article VI of the California Constitution relative to ethnicity and gender, by specific jurisdiction.

(2) Any demographic data disclosed or released pursuant to this subdivision shall disclose only aggregated statistical data and shall not identify any individual applicant, justice, or judge.

(o) If any provision of this section other than a provision relating to or providing for confidentiality or privilege from disclosure of any communication or matter, or the application of the provision to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of this section to the extent it can be given effect, or the application of the provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid, shall not be affected thereby, and to this extent the provisions of this section are severable. If any other act of the Legislature conflicts with the provisions of this section, this section shall prevail.

SEC. 116. Section 13952 of the Government Code is amended to read:

13952. (a) An application for compensation shall be filed with the board in the manner determined by the board.

(b) (1) The application for compensation shall be verified under penalty of perjury by the individual who is seeking compensation, who may be the victim or derivative victim, or an individual seeking reimbursement for burial, funeral, or crime scene cleanup expenses pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 13957. If the individual seeking compensation is a minor or is incompetent, the application shall be verified under penalty of perjury or on information and belief by the parent with legal custody, guardian, conservator, or relative caregiver of the victim or derivative victim for whom the application is made. However, if a minor seeks compensation only for expenses for medical, medical-related, psychiatric, psychological, or other mental health counseling-related services and the minor is authorized by statute to consent to those services, the minor may verify the application for compensation under penalty of perjury.

(2) For purposes of this subdivision, "relative caregiver" means a relative as defined in subdivision (i) of Section 6550 of the Family Code, who assumed primary responsibility for the child while the child was in the relative's care and control, and who is not a biological or adoptive parent.

(c) (1) The board may require submission of additional information supporting the application that is reasonably necessary to verify the application and determine eligibility for compensation.

(2) The staff of the board shall determine whether an application for compensation contains all of the information required by the board. If the staff determines that an application does not contain all of the required information, the staff shall communicate that determination to the applicant with a brief statement of the additional information required. The applicant, within 30 calendar days of being notified that the application is incomplete, may either supply the additional information or appeal the staff's determination to the board, which shall review the application to determine whether it is complete.

(d) (1) The board may recognize an authorized representative of the victim or derivative victim, who shall represent the victim or derivative victim pursuant to rules adopted by the board.

(2) For purposes of this subdivision, "authorized representative" means any of the following:

(A) An attorney.

(B) If the victim or derivative victim is a minor or an incompetent adult, the legal guardian or conservator, or an immediate family member, parent, or relative caregiver who is not the perpetrator of the crime that gave rise to the claim.

(C) A victim assistance advocate certified pursuant to Section 13835.10 of the Penal Code.

(D) An immediate family member of the victim or derivative victim, who has written authorization by the victim or derivative victim, and who is not the perpetrator of the crime that gave rise to the claim.

(E) Other persons who shall represent the victim or derivative victim pursuant to rules adopted by the board.

(3) Except for attorney's fees awarded under this chapter, no authorized representative described in paragraph (2) shall charge, demand, receive, or collect any amount for services rendered under this subdivision.

SEC. 117. Section 13955 of the Government Code is amended to read:

13955. Except as provided in Section 13956, a person shall be eligible for compensation when all of the following requirements are met:

(a) The person for whom compensation is being sought is any of the following:

(1) A victim.

(2) A derivative victim.

(3) (A) A person who is entitled to reimbursement for funeral, burial, or crime scene cleanup expenses pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 13957.

(B) This paragraph applies without respect to any felon status of the victim.

(b) Either of the following conditions is met:

(1) The crime occurred within this state, whether or not the victim is a resident of the state. This paragraph shall apply only during those time periods during which the board determines that federal funds are available to the state for the compensation of victims of crime.

(2) Whether or not the crime occurred within the State of California, the victim was any of the following:

(A) A resident of the state.

(B) A member of the military stationed in California.

(C) A family member living with a member of the military stationed in this state.

(c) If compensation is being sought for a derivative victim, the derivative victim is a resident of this state, or resident of another state, who is any of the following:

(1) At the time of the crime was the parent, grandparent, sibling, spouse, child, or grandchild of the victim.

(2) At the time of the crime was living in the household of the victim.

(3) At the time of the crime was a person who had previously lived in the household of the victim for a period of not less than two years in a relationship substantially similar to a relationship listed in paragraph (1).

(4) Is another family member of the victim, including, but not limited to, the victim's fiancé or fiancée, and who witnessed the crime.

(5) Is the primary caretaker of a minor victim, but was not the primary caretaker at the time of the crime.

(d) The application is timely pursuant to Section 13953.

(e) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the injury or death was a direct result of a crime.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), no act involving the operation of a motor vehicle, aircraft, or water vehicle that results in injury or death constitutes a crime for the purposes of this chapter, except when the injury or death from such an act was any of the following:

(A) Intentionally inflicted through the use of a motor vehicle, aircraft, or water vehicle.

(B) Caused by a driver who fails to stop at the scene of an accident in violation of Section 20001 of the Vehicle Code.

(C) Caused by a person who is under the influence of any alcoholic beverage or drug.

(D) Caused by a driver of a motor vehicle in the immediate act of fleeing the scene of a crime in which he or she knowingly and willingly participated.

(E) Caused by a person who commits vehicular manslaughter in violation of subdivision (c) of Section 192 or Section 192.5 of the Penal Code.

(F) Caused by any party where a peace officer is operating a motor vehicle in an effort to apprehend a suspect, and the suspect is evading, fleeing, or otherwise attempting to elude the peace officer.

(f) As a direct result of the crime, the victim or derivative victim sustained one or more of the following:

(1) Physical injury. The board may presume a child who has been the witness of a crime of domestic violence has sustained physical injury. A child who resides in a home where a crime or crimes of domestic violence have occurred may be presumed by the board to have sustained physical injury, regardless of whether the child has witnessed the crime.

(2) Emotional injury and a threat of physical injury.

(3) Emotional injury, where the crime was a violation of any of the following provisions:

(A) Section 261, 262, 271, 273a, 273d, 285, 286, 288, 288a, 288.5, or 289, or subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 311.4, of the Penal Code.

(B) Section 270 of the Penal Code, where the emotional injury was a result of conduct other than a failure to pay child support, and criminal charges were filed.

(C) Section 261.5 of the Penal Code, and criminal charges were filed.

(D) Section 278 or 278.5 of the Penal Code, where the deprivation of custody as described in those sections has endured for 30 calendar days or more. For purposes of this paragraph, the child, and not the nonoffending parent or other caretaker, shall be deemed the victim.

(g) The injury or death has resulted or may result in pecuniary loss within the scope of compensation pursuant to Sections 13957 to 13957.9, inclusive.

SEC. 118. Section 14995 of the Government Code is amended to read:

14995. (a) The Electronic Funds Transfer Task Force is hereby established in state government.

(b) The Electronic Funds Transfer Task Force shall consist of one representative from each of the following agencies, boards, and departments, appointed by the corresponding agency, board, or department head, as follows:

(1) State Board of Equalization.

(2) Franchise Tax Board.

(3) Employment Development Department.

(4) Treasurer.

(5) Controller.

(6) Department of Finance.

(7) Department of General Services.

(8) Department of Technology Services.

(c) The Electronic Funds Transfer Task Force shall study and report to the Legislature, on or before April 1, 2008, a plan for the development and implementation of a payment disbursal system utilizing electronic funds transfer technology. The plan shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following:

(1) An examination of all payments disbursed by the state and the methods currently used to transfer these funds.

(2) A recommendation on which payments should be included in a new electronic payment disbursal system.

(3) An examination of the cost of developing and utilizing a comprehensive electronic payment disbursal system, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(A) Costs and savings related to float time.

(B) Costs and savings related to transaction process time.

(C) Costs and savings related to paperless transactions.

(D) Costs and savings related to system development and implementation of a new electronic payment disbursal system.

(E) Costs and savings related to administration of a new electronic payment disbursal system.

(4) A recommendation on how a comprehensive electronic payment disbursal system should be developed, including, but not limited to, recommendations on whether the state should contract for private administration of an electronic payment disbursal system, develop a system within state government, or use any other means available.

(5) An examination of the costs and benefits of using a user-friendly, single online portal interface for the disbursal of funds through an electronic payment disbursal system.

(6) A recommendation on which state agencies, boards, and departments should be required to use the electronic payment disbursal system for payment of funds, and what, if any, exceptions should be provided for these agencies, boards, and departments.

(7) An examination of and recommendation on incorporating the disbursal of funds for localities into the electronic payment system.

(8) An examination of and recommendation on the system's flexibility for future expansion of services.

(9) An examination of and recommendation on incorporating electronic payment cards, or similar products, into the electronic payment disbursal system. This shall include, but not be limited to, the costs and savings of using electronic payment cards for social services and unbanked customers.

(10) An examination of and recommendation on incorporating electronic check conversion into the electronic disbursal system.

(11) A recommendation on the timely development of the electronic payment disbursal system.

SEC. 118.5. Section 16584 of the Government Code is amended to read:

16584. (a) A participant may enter into a contract with a private debt collector or private person or entity for the assignment or sale of all or part of its accounts receivable, provided that the participant does all of the following:

(1) Determines the assignment or sale is likely to generate more net revenue or net value than equivalent state efforts ~~including collections efforts pursuant to Section 16583.5~~.

(2) Determines the assignment or sale will not compromise future state revenue collections.

(3) Notifies the debtor in writing at the address of record that the alleged accounts receivable debt will be turned over for private collection unless the debt is paid, or appealed within a time period, as determined by the participant.

(b) No participant shall enter into a contract for the assignment or sale of any accounts receivable pursuant to subdivision (a) if the accounts receivable debt has been contested.

(c) Any contract entered into pursuant to this section is subject to Article 4 (commencing with Section 10335) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code.

SEC. 119. Section 17558.8 of the Government Code is amended to read:

17558.8. (a) The commission may, on its own initiative, consolidate incorrect reduction claims filed with the commission by different claimants under the same mandate if all of the following apply:

(1) The same method, act, or practice is alleged to have led to the reduction in each claim, and all of the claims involve common questions of law or fact.

(2) The common questions of law or fact among the claims predominate over any matter affecting only an individual claim.

(3) The consolidation of similar claims by individual claimants would result in consistent decisionmaking by the commission.

(b) The commission shall adopt regulations establishing procedures for consolidation of incorrect reduction claims pursuant to this section and for providing a hearing on a consolidated claim.

SEC. 119.5. Section 19632 of the Government Code, as added by Section 3 of Chapter 1048 of the Statutes of 2000, is amended and renumbered to read:

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19633. In any proceeding brought pursuant to Section 1094.5 of the Code of Civil Procedure for the purpose of inquiring into the validity of any final administrative order or decision by the board, an award of costs or attorney's fees or both to the petitioner shall be borne by the real party in interest and shall not be assessed against the board, unless there is no real party in interest. This section may not be construed to authorize an award of attorney's fees.

SEC. 120. Section 19822.3 of the Government Code is amended to read:

19822.3. All state agencies shall implement and use the California Automated Travel Expense Reimbursement System (CalATERS) to automate processing of employee travel claims by July 1, 2009, unless the Controller recommends, and the Department of Finance approves, an exemption request. To request an exemption, a department or agency shall submit documentation to the Controller no later than July 1, 2007, to substantiate that the implementation of CalATERS is not feasible or cost-effective for that department or agency. The Department of Finance and the Controller shall jointly report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, not later than February 1, 2008, on the exemptions that have been approved and the bases for the exemptions.

SEC. 121. Section 20037.7 of the Government Code is amended to read:

20037.7. (a) Notwithstanding Sections 20035 and 20037, final compensation for a person who becomes a state member of the system on or after January 1, 2007, and is represented by State Bargaining Unit 1, 3, 4, 11, 14, 15, 17, 20, or 21, means the highest average annual compensation earnable by the member during the consecutive 36-month period immediately preceding the effective date of his or her retirement, or the date of his or her last separation from state service if earlier, or during any other period of 36 consecutive months during his or her state membership that the member designates on the application for retirement.

(b) This section applies to service credit accrued while a member of State Bargaining Unit 1, 3, 4, 11, 14, 15, 17, 20, or 21.

(c) This section does not apply to:

(1) Former state employees previously employed before January 1, 2007, who return to state employment on or after January 1, 2007.

(2) State employees hired prior to January 1, 2007, who were subject to Section 20281.5 during the first 24 months of state employment.

(3) State employees hired prior to January 1, 2007, who become subject to representation by State Bargaining Unit 1, 3, 4, 11, 14, 15, 17, 20, or 21 on or after January 1, 2007.

(4) State employees on an approved leave of absence employed before January 1, 2007, who return to active employment on or after January 1, 2007.

SEC. 122. Section 20479 of the Government Code is amended to read:

20479. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including, but not limited to, Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 3500) of Division 4 of Title 1, no contract or contract amendment shall be made to provide retirement benefits for some, but not all members of the following membership classifications: local miscellaneous members, local police officers, local firefighters, county peace officers, local sheriffs, or local safety officers.

No contract or contract amendments shall provide different retirement benefits for a subgroup, including, but not limited to, bargaining units or unrepresented groups, within those membership classifications.

This section does not preclude changing membership classification from one membership classification to another membership classification or exclusion of groups of members by contract.

For purposes of this section, "benefit" shall not be limited to the benefits set forth in Section 20020.

SEC. 123. Section 20636 of the Government Code is amended to read:

20636. (a) "Compensation earnable" by a member means the payrate and special compensation of the member, as defined by subdivisions (b), (c), and (g), and as limited by Section 21752.5.

(b) (1) "Payrate" means the normal monthly rate of pay or base pay of the member paid in cash to similarly situated members of the same group or class of employment for services rendered on a full-time basis during normal working hours, pursuant to publicly

available pay schedules. "Payrate," for a member who is not in a group or class, means the monthly rate of pay or base pay of the member, paid in cash and pursuant to publicly available pay schedules, for services rendered on a full-time basis during normal working hours, subject to the limitations of paragraph (2) of subdivision (e).

(2) "Payrate" shall include an amount deducted from a member's salary for any of the following:

(A) Participation in a deferred compensation plan.

(B) Payment for participation in a retirement plan that meets the requirements of Section 401(k) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

(C) Payment into a money purchase pension plan and trust that meets the requirements of Section 401(a) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

(D) Participation in a flexible benefits program.

(3) The computation for a leave without pay of a member shall be based on the compensation earnable by him or her at the beginning of the absence.

(4) The computation for time prior to entering state service shall be based on the compensation earnable by him or her in the position first held by him or her in state service.

(c) (1) Special compensation of a member includes a payment received for special skills, knowledge, abilities, work assignment, workdays or hours, or other work conditions.

(2) Special compensation shall be limited to that which is received by a member pursuant to a labor policy or agreement or as otherwise required by state or federal law, to similarly situated members of a group or class of employment that is in addition to payrate. If an individual is not part of a group or class, special compensation shall be limited to that which the board determines is received by similarly situated members in the closest related group or class that is in addition to payrate, subject to the limitations of paragraph (2) of subdivision (e).

(3) Special compensation shall be for services rendered during normal working hours and, when reported to the board, the employer shall identify the pay period in which the special compensation was earned.

(4) Special compensation may include the full monetary value of normal contributions paid to the board by the employer, on

behalf of the member and pursuant to Section 20691, if the employer's labor policy or agreement specifically provides for the inclusion of the normal contribution payment in compensation earnable.

(5) The monetary value of a service or noncash advantage furnished by the employer to the member, except as expressly and specifically provided in this part, is not special compensation unless regulations promulgated by the board specifically determine that value to be "special compensation."

(6) The board shall promulgate regulations that delineate more specifically and exclusively what constitutes "special compensation" as used in this section. A uniform allowance, the monetary value of employer-provided uniforms, holiday pay, and premium pay for hours worked within the normally scheduled or regular working hours that are in excess of the statutory maximum workweek or work period applicable to the employee under Section 201 et seq. of Title 29 of the United States Code shall be included as special compensation and appropriately defined in those regulations.

(7) Special compensation does not include any of the following:

(A) Final settlement pay.

(B) Payments made for additional services rendered outside of normal working hours, whether paid in lump sum or otherwise.

(C) Other payments the board has not affirmatively determined to be special compensation.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, payrate and special compensation schedules, ordinances, or similar documents shall be public records available for public scrutiny.

(e) (1) As used in this part, "group or class of employment" means a number of employees considered together because they share similarities in job duties, work location, collective bargaining unit, or other logical work-related grouping. One employee may not be considered a group or class.

(2) Increases in compensation earnable granted to an employee who is not in a group or class shall be limited during the final compensation period applicable to the employees, as well as the two years immediately preceding the final compensation period, to the average increase in compensation earnable during the same period reported by the employer for all employees who are in the same membership classification, except as may otherwise be

determined pursuant to regulations adopted by the board that establish reasonable standards for granting exceptions.

(f) As used in this part, "final settlement pay" means pay or cash conversions of employee benefits that are in excess of compensation earnable, that are granted or awarded to a member in connection with, or in anticipation of, a separation from employment. The board shall promulgate regulations that delineate more specifically what constitutes final settlement pay.

(g) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), "compensation earnable" for state members means the average monthly compensation, as determined by the board, upon the basis of the average time put in by members in the same group or class of employment and at the same rate of pay, and is composed of the payrate and special compensation of the member. The computation for an absence of a member shall be based on the compensation earnable by him or her at the beginning of the absence and for time prior to entering state service shall be based on the compensation earnable by him or her in the position first held by him or her in that state service.

(2) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), "payrate" for state members means the average monthly remuneration paid in cash out of funds paid by the employer to similarly situated members of the same group or class of employment, in payment for the member's services or for time during which the member is excused from work because of holidays, sick leave, vacation, compensating time off, or leave of absence. "Payrate" for state members shall include:

(A) An amount deducted from a member's salary for any of the following:

(i) Participation in a deferred compensation plan established pursuant to Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 19993) of Part 2.6.

(ii) Payment for participation in a retirement plan that meets the requirements of Section 401(k) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

(iii) Payment into a money purchase pension plan and trust that meets the requirements of Section 401(a) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

(iv) Participation in a flexible benefits program.

(B) A payment in cash by the member's employer to one other than an employee for the purpose of purchasing an annuity contract

for a member under an annuity plan that meets the requirements of Section 403(b) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

(C) Employer "pick up" of member contributions that meets the requirements of Section 414(h)(2) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

(D) Disability or workers' compensation payments to safety members in accordance with Section 4800 of the Labor Code.

(E) Temporary industrial disability payments pursuant to Article 4 (commencing with Section 19869) of Chapter 2.5 of Part 2.6.

(F) Other payments the board may determine to be within "payrate."

(3) Notwithstanding subdivision (c), "special compensation" for state members shall mean all of the following:

(A) The monetary value, as determined by the board, of living quarters, board, lodging, fuel, laundry, and other advantages of any nature furnished to a member by his or her employer in payment for the member's services.

(B) Compensation for performing normally required duties, such as holiday pay, bonuses (for duties performed on regular work shift), educational incentive pay, maintenance and noncash payments, out-of-class pay, marksmanship pay, hazard pay, motorcycle pay, paramedic pay, emergency medical technician pay, Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) certificate pay, and split shift differential.

(C) Compensation for uniforms, except as provided in Section 20632.

(D) Other payments the board may determine to be within "special compensation."

(4) "Payrate" and "special compensation" for state members do not include any of the following:

(A) The provision by the state employer of a medical or hospital service or care plan or insurance plan for its employees (other than the purchase of annuity contracts as described below in this subdivision), a contribution by the employer to meet the premium or charge for that plan, or a payment into a private fund to provide health and welfare benefits for employees.

(B) A payment by the state employer of the employee portion of taxes imposed by the Federal Insurance Contribution Act.

(C) Amounts not available for payment of salaries and that are applied by the employer for the purchase of annuity contracts

including those that meet the requirements of Section 403(b) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

(D) Benefits paid pursuant to Article 5 (commencing with Section 19878) of Chapter 2.5 of Part 2.6.

(E) Employer payments that are to be credited as employee contributions for benefits provided by this system, or employer payments that are to be credited to employee accounts in deferred compensation plans. The amounts deducted from a member's wages for participation in a deferred compensation plan may not be considered to be "employer payments."

(F) Payments for unused vacation, annual leave, personal leave, sick leave, or compensating time off, whether paid in lump sum or otherwise.

(G) Final settlement pay.

(H) Payments for overtime, including pay in lieu of vacation or holiday.

(I) Compensation for additional services outside regular duties, such as standby pay, callback pay, court duty, allowance for automobiles, and bonuses for duties performed after the member's regular work shift.

(J) Amounts not available for payment of salaries and that are applied by the employer for any of the following:

(i) The purchase of a retirement plan that meets the requirements of Section 401(k) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

(ii) Payment into a money purchase pension plan and trust that meets the requirements of Section 401(a) of Title 26 of the United States Code.

(K) Payments made by the employer to or on behalf of its employees who have elected to be covered by a flexible benefits program, where those payments reflect amounts that exceed the employee's salary.

(L) Other payments the board may determine are not "payrate" or "special compensation."

(5) If the provisions of this subdivision, including the board's determinations pursuant to subparagraph (F) of paragraph (2) and subparagraph (D) of paragraph (3), are in conflict with the provisions of a memorandum of understanding reached pursuant to Section 3517.5 or 3560, the memorandum of understanding shall be controlling without further legislative action, except that if the provisions of a memorandum of understanding require the

expenditure of funds, those provisions may not become effective unless approved by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act. No memorandum of understanding reached pursuant to Section 3517.5 or 3560 may exclude from the definition of either "payrate" or "special compensation" a member's base salary payments or payments for time during which the member is excused from work because of holidays, sick leave, vacation, compensating time off, or leave of absence. If items of compensation earnable are included by memorandum of understanding as "payrate" or "special compensation" for retirement purposes for represented and higher education employees pursuant to this paragraph, the Department of Personnel Administration or the Trustees of the California State University shall obtain approval from the board for that inclusion.

(6) (A) Subparagraph (B) of paragraph (3) prescribes that compensation earnable includes compensation for performing normally required duties, such as holiday pay, bonuses (for duties performed on regular work shift), educational incentive pay, maintenance and noncash payments, out-of-class pay, marksmanship pay, hazard pay, motorcycle pay, paramedic pay, emergency medical technician pay, POST certificate pay, and split shift differential; and includes compensation for uniforms, except as provided in Section 20632; and subparagraph (I) of paragraph (4) excludes from compensation earnable compensation for additional services outside regular duties, such as standby pay, callback pay, court duty, allowance for automobile, and bonuses for duties performed after regular work shift.

(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), the Department of Personnel Administration shall determine which payments and allowances that are paid by the state employer shall be considered compensation for retirement purposes for an employee who either is excluded from the definition of state employee in Section 3513, or is a nonelected officer or employee of the executive branch of government who is not a member of the civil service.

(C) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), the Trustees of the California State University shall determine which payments and allowances that are paid by the trustees shall be considered compensation for retirement purposes for a managerial employee, as defined in Section 3562, or supervisory employee as defined in Section 3580.3.

SEC. 124. Section 21150 of the Government Code is amended to read:

21150. (a) A member incapacitated for the performance of duty shall be retired for disability pursuant to this chapter if he or she is credited with five years of state service, regardless of age, unless the person has elected to become subject to Section 21076 or 21077.

(b) A member subject to Section 21076 or 21077 who becomes incapacitated for the performance of duty shall be retired for disability pursuant to this chapter if he or she is credited with 10 years of state service, regardless of age, except that a member may retire for disability if he or she had five years of state service prior to January 1, 1985.

(c) For purposes of this section, "state service" includes service to the state for which the member, pursuant to Section 20281.5, did not receive credit.

SEC. 125. Section 21227 of the Government Code is amended to read:

21227. (a) A retired person may serve without reinstatement from retirement or loss or interruption of benefits provided by this system as a member of the academic staff of the California State University, if that service does not exceed a total for all employers of 960 hours in a fiscal year or 50 percent of the hours the member was employed during the last fiscal year of service prior to retirement, whichever is less.

(b) (1) This section shall not apply to a retired person otherwise eligible to serve without reinstatement from retirement, if during the 12-month period prior to an appointment described in this section, that retired person receives unemployment insurance compensation arising out of prior employment subject to this section with the same employer.

(2) A retired person who accepts an appointment after receiving unemployment insurance compensation as described in this subdivision shall terminate that employment on the last day of the current pay period and shall not be eligible for reappointment subject to this section for a period of 12 months following the last day of employment. The retired person shall not be subject to Section 21202 or subdivision (b) of Section 21220.

SEC. 126. Section 26744.5 of the Government Code is amended to read:

26744.5. (a) The fees for processing a warrant issued pursuant to Section 1993 of the Code of Civil Procedure shall be paid by the moving party, as follows:

(1) Thirty dollars ($30) to receive and process the warrant, which shall include the issuance and mailing of a notice advising the person to be arrested of the issuance of the warrant and demanding that the person appear in court.

(2) Twenty-eight dollars ($28) to cancel the service of the warrant.

(3) Sixty dollars ($60) if unable to find the person at the address specified using due diligence.

(4) Seventy-five dollars ($75) to arrest the person, which shall include the arrest and release of the person on a promise to appear pursuant to Section 1993.2 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

(b) The in forma pauperis fee waiver provisions under Rules 3.50 to 3.63, inclusive, of the California Rules of Court shall apply to the collection of fees under this section.

SEC. 127. Section 31485.7 of the Government Code is amended to read:

31485.7. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a member who elects to purchase retirement service credit under Section 31486.3, 31486.35, 31499.3, 31499.13, 31641.1, 31641.5, 31641.55, 31646, 31652, or 31658, or under the regulations adopted by the board pursuant to Section 31643 or 31644 shall complete that purchase within 120 days after the effective date of his or her retirement.

(b) This section is not operative in any county until the board of supervisors, by resolution, makes this section applicable in the county.

SEC. 128. Section 31485.8 of the Government Code is amended to read:

31485.8. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a member who elects to purchase retirement service credit under Section 31490.5, 31490.6, 31494.3, 31494.5, 31641.1, 31641.5, 31646, 31652, or 31658, or under the regulations adopted by the board pursuant to Section 31643 or 31644 shall complete that purchase within 120 days after the effective date of his or her retirement.

(b) This section applies only to a county of the first class, as defined by Section 28020, as amended by Chapter 1204 of the

Statutes of 1971, and Section 28022, as amended by Chapter 43 of the Statutes of 1961.

SEC. 129. Section 53343.1 of the Government Code is amended to read:

53343.1. For any community facilities district formed after January 1, 1992, the community facilities district shall prepare, if requested by a person who resides in or owns property in the district, within 120 days after the last day of each fiscal year, a separate document titled an "Annual Report." The district may charge a fee for the report not exceeding the actual costs of preparing the report. The report shall include the following information for the fiscal year:

(a) The amount of special taxes collected for the year.

(b) The amount of other moneys collected for the year and their source, including interest earned.

(c) The amount of moneys expended for the year.

(d) A summary of the amount of moneys expended for the following:

(1) Facilities, including property.

(2) Services.

(3) The costs of bonded indebtedness.

(4) The costs of collecting the special tax under Section 53340.

(5) Other administrative and overhead costs.

(e) For moneys expended for facilities, including property, an identification of the categories of each type of facility funded with amounts expended in each category, including the total percentage of the cost of each type of facility that was funded with bond proceeds or special taxes.

(f) For moneys expended for services, an identification of the categories of each type of service funded with amounts expended in each category, including the total percentage of the cost of each type of service that was funded with bond proceeds or special taxes.

(g) For moneys expended for other administrative costs, an identification of each of these costs.

(h) A certification and explanation by the district of how the moneys described in subdivisions (d), (e), (f), and (g) comply with Section 53343.

The annual report shall contain references to the relevant sections of the resolution of formation of the district so that interested

persons may confirm that bond proceeds and special taxes are being used for authorized purposes. The annual report shall be made available to the public upon request.

SEC. 130. Section 53635.8 of the Government Code is amended to read:

53635.8. Notwithstanding Section 53601 or any other provision of this code, a local agency, at its discretion, may invest a portion of its surplus funds in certificates of deposit at a commercial bank, savings bank, savings and loan association, or credit union that uses a private sector entity that assists in the placement of certificates of deposit, provided that the purchases of certificates of deposit pursuant to this section, Section 53601.8, and subdivision (h) of Section 53601 do not, in total, exceed 30 percent of the agency's funds that may be invested for this purpose. The following conditions shall apply:

(a) The local agency shall choose a nationally or state-chartered commercial bank, savings bank, savings and loan association, or credit union in this state to invest the funds, which shall be known as the "selected" depository institution.

(b) The selected depository institution may submit the funds to a private sector entity that assists in the placement of certificates of deposit with one or more commercial banks, savings banks, savings and loan associations, or credit unions that are located in the United States, for the local agency's account.

(c) The full amount of the principal and the interest that may be accrued during the maximum term of each certificate of deposit shall at all times be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the National Credit Union Administration.

(d) The selected depository institution shall serve as a custodian for each certificate of deposit that is issued with the placement service for the local agency's account.

(e) At the same time the local agency's funds are deposited and the certificates of deposit are issued, the selected depository institution shall receive an amount of deposits from other commercial banks, savings banks, savings and loan associations, or credit unions that, in total, are equal to, or greater than, the full amount of the principal that the local agency initially deposited through the selected depository institution for investment.

(f) A local agency may not invest surplus funds with a selected depository institution for placement as certificates of deposit

pursuant to this section on or after January 1, 2012. A local agency's surplus funds, invested pursuant to this section before January 1, 2012, may remain invested in certificates of deposit issued through a private sector entity for the full term of each certificate of deposit.

(g) Notwithstanding subdivisions (a) to (f), inclusive, no credit union may act as a selected depository institution under this section or Section 53601.8 unless both of the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) The credit union offers federal depository insurance through the National Credit Union Administration.

(2) The credit union is in possession of written guidance or other written communication from the National Credit Union Administration authorizing participation of federally insured credit unions in one or more certificate of deposit placement services and affirming that the moneys held by those credit unions while participating in a deposit placement service will at all times be insured by the federal government.

(h) It is the intent of the Legislature that nothing in this section shall restrict competition among private sector entities that provide placement services pursuant to this section.

SEC. 131. Section 68661 of the Government Code is amended to read:

68661. There is hereby created in the judicial branch of state government the California Habeas Corpus Resource Center, which shall have all of the following general powers and duties:

(a) To employ up to 34 attorneys who may be appointed by the Supreme Court to represent any person convicted and sentenced to death in this state who is without counsel, and who is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be indigent, for the purpose of instituting and prosecuting postconviction actions in the state and federal courts, challenging the legality of the judgment or sentence imposed against that person, and preparing petitions for executive clemency. An appointment may be concurrent with the appointment of the State Public Defender or other counsel for purposes of direct appeal under Section 11 of Article VI of the California Constitution.

(b) To seek reimbursement for representation and expenses pursuant to Section 3006A of Title 18 of the United States Code

when providing representation to indigent persons in the federal courts and process those payments via the Federal Trust Fund.

(c) To work with the Supreme Court in recruiting members of the private bar to accept death penalty habeas corpus case appointments.

(d) To establish and periodically update a roster of attorneys qualified as counsel in postconviction proceedings in capital cases.

(e) To establish and periodically update a roster of experienced investigators and experts who are qualified to assist counsel in postconviction proceedings in capital cases.

(f) To employ investigators and experts as staff to provide services to appointed counsel upon request of counsel, provided that when the provision of those services is to private counsel under appointment by the Supreme Court, those services shall be pursuant to contract between appointed counsel and the center.

(g) To provide legal or other advice or, to the extent not otherwise available, any other assistance to appointed counsel in postconviction proceedings as is appropriate when not prohibited by law.

(h) To develop a brief bank of pleadings and related materials on significant, recurring issues that arise in postconviction proceedings in capital cases and to make those briefs available to appointed counsel.

(i) To evaluate cases and recommend assignment by the court of appropriate attorneys.

(j) To provide assistance and case progress monitoring as needed.

(k) To timely review case billings and recommend compensation of members of the private bar to the court.

(*l*) The center shall report annually to the Legislature, the Governor, and the Supreme Court on the status of the appointment of counsel for indigent persons in postconviction capital cases, and on the operations of the center. On or before January 1, 2000, the Legislative Analyst's Office shall evaluate the available reports.

SEC. 132. Section 69927 of the Government Code is amended to read:

69927. (a) It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this section to develop a definition of the court security component of court operations that modifies Function 8 of Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court in a manner that will standardize billing

and accounting practices and court security plans, and identify allowable law enforcement security costs after the operative date of this article. It is not the intent of the Legislature to increase or decrease the responsibility of a county for the cost of court operations, as defined in Section 77003 or Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court, as it read on January 1, 2007, for court security services provided prior to January 1, 2003. It is the intent of the Legislature that a sheriff's or marshal's court law enforcement budget not be reduced as a result of this article. Any new court security costs permitted by this article shall not be operative unless the funding is provided by the Legislature.

(1) The Judicial Council shall adopt a rule establishing a working group on court security. The group shall consist of six representatives from the judicial branch of government, as selected by the Administrative Director of the Courts, two representatives of the counties, as selected by the California State Association of Counties, and three representatives of the county sheriffs, as selected by the California State Sheriffs' Association. It is the intent of the Legislature that this working group may recommend modifications only to the template used to determine that the security costs submitted by the courts to the Administrative Office of the Courts are permitted pursuant to this article. The template shall be a part of the trial court's financial policies and procedures manual and used in place of the definition of law enforcement costs in Function 8 of Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court. If the working group determines that there is a need to make recommendations to the template that specifically involve law enforcement or security personnel in courtrooms or court detention facilities, the membership of the working group shall change and consist of six representatives from the judicial branch of government selected by the Administrative Director of the Courts, two representatives of the counties selected by the California State Association of Counties, two representatives of the county sheriffs selected by the California State Sheriffs' Association, and two representatives of labor selected by the California Coalition of Law Enforcement Associations.

(2) The Judicial Council shall establish a working group on court security to promulgate recommended uniform standards and guidelines that may be used by the Judicial Council and any sheriff or marshal for the implementation of trial court security services.

The working group shall consist of representatives from the judicial branch of government, the California State Sheriffs' Association, the California State Association of Counties, the Peace Officer's Research Association of California, and the California Coalition of Law Enforcement Associations, for the purpose of developing guidelines. The Judicial Council, after requesting and receiving recommendations from the working group on court security, shall promulgate and implement rules, standards, and policy directions for the trial courts in order to achieve efficiencies that will reduce security operating costs and constrain growth in those costs.

(3) When mutually agreed to by the courts, county, and the sheriff or marshal in any county, the costs of perimeter security in any building that the court shares with any county agency, excluding the sheriff's or marshal's department, shall be apportioned based on the amount of the total noncommon square feet of space occupied by the court and any county agency.

(4) "Allowable costs for equipment, services, and supplies," as defined in the contract law enforcement template, means the purchase and maintenance of security screening equipment and the costs of ammunition, batons, bulletproof vests, handcuffs, holsters, leather gear, chemical spray and holders, radios, radio chargers and holders, uniforms, and one primary duty sidearm.

(5) "Allowable costs for professional support staff for court security operations," as defined in the contract law enforcement template, means the salary, benefits, and overtime of staff performing support functions that, at a minimum, provide payroll, human resources, information systems, accounting, or budgeting.

Allowable costs for professional support staff for court security operations in each trial court shall not exceed 6 percent of total allowable costs for law enforcement security personnel services in courts with total allowable costs for law enforcement security personnel services less than ten million dollars ($10,000,000) per year. Allowable costs for professional support staff for court security operations for each trial court shall not exceed 4 percent of total allowable costs for law enforcement security personnel services in courts with total allowable costs for law enforcement security personnel services exceeding ten million dollars ($10,000,000) per year. Additional costs for services related to court-mandated special project support, beyond those provided for in the contract law enforcement template, are allowable only

when negotiated by the trial court and the court law enforcement provider. Allowable costs shall not exceed actual costs of providing support staff services for law enforcement security personnel services.

The working group established pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) may periodically recommend changes to the limit for allowable costs for professional support staff for court security operations based on surveys of actual expenditures incurred by trial courts and the court law enforcement provider in the provision of law enforcement security personnel services. Limits for allowable costs as stated in this section shall remain in effect until changes are recommended by the working group and adopted by the Judicial Council.

(6) "Allowable costs for security personnel services," as defined in the contract law enforcement template, means the salary and benefits of an employee, including, but not limited to, county health and welfare, county incentive payments, deferred compensation plan costs, FICA or Medicare, general liability premium costs, leave balance payout commensurate with an employee's time in court security services as a proportion of total service credit earned after January 1, 1998, premium pay, retirement, state disability insurance, unemployment insurance costs, workers' compensation paid to an employee in lieu of salary, workers' compensation premiums of supervisory security personnel through the rank of captain, line personnel, inclusive of deputies, court attendants, contractual law enforcement services, prisoner escorts within the courts, and weapons screening personnel, court required training, and overtime and related benefits of law enforcement supervisory and line personnel.

(A) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall use the actual salary and benefits costs approved for court law enforcement personnel as of June 30 of each year in determining the funding request that will be presented to the Department of Finance.

(B) Courts and court security providers shall manage their resources to minimize the use of overtime.

(7) "Allowable costs for vehicle use for court security needs," as defined in the contract law enforcement template, means the per-mile recovery cost for vehicles used in rendering court law enforcement services, exclusive of prisoner or detainee transport to or from court. The standard mileage rate applied against the

miles driven for the above shall be the standard reimbursable mileage rate in effect for judicial officers and employees at the time of contract development.

(b) Nothing in this article may increase a county's obligation or require any county to assume the responsibility for a cost of any service that was defined as a court operation cost, as defined by Function 8 of Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court, as it read on January 1, 2007, or that meets the definition of any new law enforcement component developed pursuant to this article.

SEC. 133. Section 70311 of the Government Code is amended to read:

70311. (a) Commencing July 1, 1997, and each year thereafter, no county or city and county is responsible to provide funding for "court operations," as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court, as it read on January 1, 2007.

(b) Except as provided in Section 70312, commencing as of July 1, 1996, and each year thereafter, each county or city and county shall be responsible for providing necessary and suitable facilities for judicial and court support positions created prior to July 1, 1996. In determining whether facilities are necessary and suitable, the reasonable needs of the court and the fiscal condition of the county or city and county shall be taken into consideration.

(c) If a county or city and county fails to provide necessary and suitable facilities as described in subdivision (b), the court shall give notice of a specific deficiency. If the county or city and county then fails to provide necessary and suitable facilities pursuant to this section, the court may direct the appropriate officers of the county or city and county to provide the necessary and suitable facilities. The expenses incurred, certified by the judges to be correct, are a charge against the county or city and county treasury and shall be paid out of the general fund.

(d) Prior to the construction of new court facilities or the alteration, remodeling, or relocation of existing court facilities, a county or city and county shall solicit the review and comment of the judges of the court affected regarding the adequacy and standard of design, and that review and comment shall not be disregarded without reasonable grounds.

(e) Any reference in the statutes enacted prior to January 1, 2003, that refers to Section 68073 shall be deemed to refer to this section.

SEC. 134. Section 70359 of the Government Code is amended to read:

70359. (a) Court facilities rental or leasing, except to the extent included as a court operation in Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court, shall be included in the county facilities payment using as the initial amount the annual amount for the lease for the fiscal year of the date of transfer of those court facilities to the state.

(b) The amount computed under subdivision (a) shall be adjusted annually for each remaining year in the lease to reflect the changed annualized amount for the lease for each year remaining on the lease. A lease amount in the final year of any lease entered into or renewed on or after October 2, 2001, shall represent a good faith relationship to the fair market value of the facilities either at the time of the making of the lease or the time of determination of the final year lease amount.

(c) The adjustment of the amount pursuant to subdivision (b) shall not permit either the county or the Judicial Council to appeal the county facilities payment amount under Section 70366 or 70367, except as to any issues directly related to the adjustment made by subdivision (b).

(d) The amount of any lease included in the county facilities payment amount shall, unless otherwise agreed to by the Administrative Director of the Courts and the county, be paid by the county from the county's courthouse construction fund, if the lease was originally entered into prior to July 1, 2002, and to the extent the lease was funded in whole or in part by the courthouse construction fund prior to July 1, 2002. The length of time payment that may be made from the courthouse construction fund is to be calculated by the length of the lease entered into before July 1, 2002, plus any one renewal or extension of not more than five years entered into on or after July 2, 2002. The Administrative Director of the Courts may agree to a longer time for payment from the courthouse construction fund.

SEC. 135. Section 70640 of the Government Code is amended to read:

70640. (a) It is the policy of the state that each court shall endeavor to provide a children's waiting room in each courthouse for children whose parents or guardians are attending a court hearing as a litigant, witness, or for other court purposes as determined by the court. To defray that expense, monthly

allocations for children's waiting rooms shall be added to the monthly apportionment under subdivision (a) of Section 68085 for each court where a children's waiting room has been established or where the court has elected to establish that service.

(b) The amount allocated to each court under this section shall be equal to the following: for each first paper filing fee as provided under Section 70611, 70612, 70613, 70614, or 70670, and each first paper or petition filing fee in a probate matter as provided under Section 70650, 70651, 70652, 70653, 70654, 70655, 70656, or 70658, the same amount as was required to be collected as of December 31, 2005, to the Children's Waiting Room Fund under former Section 26826.3 in the county in which the court is located when a fee was collected for the filing of a first paper in a civil action under former Section 26820.4.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the court may make expenditures from these allocations in payment of any cost, excluding capital outlay, related to the establishment and maintenance of the children's waiting room, including personnel, heat, light, telephone, security, rental of space, furnishings, toys, books, or any other item in connection with the operation of a children's waiting room.

(d) If, as of January 1, 2006, there is a Children's Waiting Room Fund in the county treasury established under former Section 26826.3, the county immediately shall transfer the moneys in that fund to the court's operations fund as a restricted fund. By February 15, 2006, the county shall provide an accounting of the fund to the Administrative Office of the Courts.

(e) After January 1, 2006, the court may apply to the Judicial Council for an adjustment of the amount distributed to the fund for each uniform filing fee. A court that wishes to establish a children's waiting room, and does not yet have a distribution under this section, may apply to the Judicial Council for a distribution. Applications under this subdivision shall be made according to trial court financial policies and procedures authorized by the Judicial Council under subdivision (a) of Section 77206. Adjustments and new distributions shall be effective January 1 or July 1 of any year beginning January 1, 2006.

(f) The distribution to a court under this section per each filing fee shall be not less than two dollars ($2) and not more than five dollars ($5).

SEC. 136. Section 71601 of the Government Code is amended to read:

71601. For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

(a) "Appointment" means the offer to and acceptance by a person of a position in the trial court in accordance with this chapter and the trial court's personnel policies, procedures, and plans.

(b) "Employee organization" means either of the following:

(1) Any organization that includes trial court employees and has as one of its primary purposes representing those employees in their relations with that trial court.

(2) Any organization that seeks to represent trial court employees in their relations with that trial court.

(c) "Hiring" means appointment as defined in subdivision (a).

(d) "Mediation" means effort by an impartial third party to assist in reconciling a dispute regarding wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment between representatives of the trial court and the recognized employee organization or recognized employee organizations through interpretation, suggestion, and advice.

(e) "Meet and confer in good faith" means that a trial court or representatives as it may designate, and representatives of recognized employee organizations, shall have the mutual obligation personally to meet and confer promptly upon request by either party and continue for a reasonable period of time in order to exchange freely information, opinions, and proposals, and to endeavor to reach agreement on matters within the scope of representation. The process should include adequate time for the resolution of impasses where specific procedures for resolution are contained in this chapter or in a local rule, or when the procedures are utilized by mutual consent.

(f) "Personnel rules," "personnel policies, procedures, and plans," and "rules and regulations" mean policies, procedures, plans, rules, or regulations adopted by a trial court or its designee pertaining to conditions of employment of trial court employees, subject to meet and confer in good faith.

(g) "Promotion" means promotion within the trial court as defined in the trial court's personnel policies, procedures, and plans, subject to meet and confer in good faith.

(h) "Recognized employee organization" means an employee organization that has been formally acknowledged to represent trial court employees by the county under Sections 3500 to 3510, inclusive, prior to the implementation date of this chapter, or by the trial court under former Rules 2201 to 2210, inclusive, of the California Rules of Court, as those rules read on April 23, 1997, Sections 70210 to 70219, inclusive, or Article 3 (commencing with Section 71630).

(i) "Subordinate judicial officer" means an officer appointed to perform subordinate judicial duties as authorized by Section 22 of Article VI of the California Constitution, including, but not limited to, a court commissioner, probate commissioner, referee, traffic referee, juvenile referee, and judge pro tempore.

(j) "Transfer" means transfer within the trial court as defined in the trial court's personnel policies, procedures, and plans, subject to meet and confer in good faith.

(k) "Trial court" means a superior court.

(*l*) "Trial court employee" means a person who is both of the following:

(1) Paid from the trial court's budget, regardless of the funding source. For the purpose of this paragraph, "trial court's budget" means funds from which the presiding judge of a trial court, or his or her designee, has authority to control, authorize, and direct expenditures, including, but not limited to, local revenues, all grant funds, and trial court operations funds.

(2) Subject to the trial court's right to control the manner and means of his or her work because of the trial court's authority to hire, supervise, discipline, and terminate employment. For purposes of this paragraph only, the "trial court" includes the judges of a trial court or their appointees who are vested with or delegated the authority to hire, supervise, discipline, and terminate.

(m) A person is a "trial court employee" if and only if both paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (*l*) are true irrespective of job classification or whether the functions performed by that person are identified in Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court. "Trial court employee" includes those subordinate judicial officers who satisfy paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (*l*). The phrase "trial court employee" does not include temporary employees hired through agencies, jurors, individuals hired by the trial court pursuant to an independent contractor agreement, individuals for

whom the county or trial court reports income to the Internal Revenue Service on a Form 1099 and does not withhold employment taxes, sheriffs, and judges whether elected or appointed. Any temporary employee, whether hired through an agency or not, shall not be employed in the trial court for a period exceeding 180 calendar days, except that for court reporters in a county of the first class, a trial court and a recognized employee organization may provide otherwise by mutual agreement in a memorandum of understanding or other agreement.

SEC. 137. Section 71615 of the Government Code is amended to read:

71615. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), the effective date of this section shall be January 1, 2004.

(b) Representatives of a trial court and representatives of recognized employee organizations may mutually agree to an implementation date of this section later than January 1, 2004. However, if any provisions of this chapter are governed by an existing memorandum of understanding or agreement covering trial court employees, as to those provisions the implementation date shall be either the date a successor memorandum of understanding or agreement is effective or, if no agreement for a successor memorandum of understanding or agreement is reached, 90 days from the date of the expiration of the predecessor memorandum of understanding or agreement, unless representatives of the trial court and representatives of recognized employee organizations mutually agree otherwise.

(c) As of the implementation date of this chapter, all of the following shall apply:

(1) All persons who meet the definition of trial court employee shall become trial court employees at their existing or equivalent classifications.

(2) Employment seniority of a trial court employee, as calculated and used under the system in effect prior to the implementation of this act, shall be calculated and used in the same manner by the trial court.

(3) A trial court employee shall have the same status he or she had as a probationary, permanent, or regular employee under the system in effect prior to January 1, 2004. A probationary employee shall not be required to serve a new probationary period and shall continue the existing probationary period under the terms of hire.

(4) Subject to the agreement of the county, and unless prohibited or limited by charter provisions, the policies regarding transfer between the trial court and the county that are in place as of January 1, 2004, shall be continued while an existing memorandum of understanding or agreement remains in effect or for two years, whichever is longer, and any further rights of trial court employees to transfer between the trial court and the county shall be subject to the obligation to meet and confer in good faith at the local level between representatives of the trial court and representatives of recognized employee organizations and local negotiation between the trial court and the county. Subject to the agreement of the county, and unless prohibited or limited by charter provisions, the policies regarding the portability of seniority, accrued leave credits, and leave accrual rates that are in effect January 1, 2004, shall be continued if trial court or county employees transfer between the trial court and the county or the county and the trial court while an existing memorandum of understanding or agreement remains in effect, or for a period of two years, whichever is longer. Any further right of trial court employees to portability is subject to the obligation to meet and confer in good faith between representatives of the trial court and representatives of recognized employee organizations and local negotiation between the trial court and the county.

(5) Each trial court shall be deemed the successor employer of all trial court employees in the county in which the trial court is located.

(d) In establishing local personnel structures for trial court employees in accordance with this chapter, the trial court shall comply with contractual obligations, and consideration shall be given to minimizing disruption of the trial court workforce and protecting the rights accrued by trial court employees under their current systems. However, prior contractual obligations and rights may be reconsidered subject to the obligation to meet and confer in good faith, provided both parties give consideration to past contractual obligations and rights.

(e) Unrepresented trial court employees are governed by a trial court's personnel policies, procedures, and plans. The implementation of this section may not be a cause for changing a trial court's personnel policies, procedures, and plans applicable to unrepresented trial court employees except where required to

bring those policies, procedures, and plans into conformity with this chapter. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this section, a trial court retains all existing rights with respect to revising its personnel policies, procedures, and plans as applied to unrepresented trial court employees.

(f) Upon implementation of this section in a trial court, Sections 68650 to 68655, inclusive, and Rules 10.650 to 10.659, inclusive, of the California Rules of Court, shall be inoperative as to that trial court.

(g) Notwithstanding paragraph (4) of subdivision (c), both of the following shall apply:

(1) Unless prohibited or limited by charter provisions, the policies regarding transfer between either the trial court and the county or the county and the trial court that were in effect as of January 1, 2001, shall be continued while an existing memorandum of understanding or agreement remains in effect or until January 1, 2005, whichever period is longer. Thereafter, any rights of trial court employees to transfer between the trial court and the county shall be subject to the obligation to meet and confer in good faith at the local level between representatives of the trial court and representatives of recognized employee organizations, and local negotiation between the trial court and the county.

(2) Unless prohibited or limited by charter provisions, the policies regarding the portability of seniority, accrued leave credits, and leave accrual rates that were in effect on January 1, 2001, shall be continued if trial court or county employees transfer between either the trial court and the county or the county and the trial court while an existing memorandum of understanding or agreement remains in effect, or until January 1, 2005, whichever period is longer. Thereafter, any right of trial court employees to portability is subject to the obligation to meet and confer in good faith between representatives of the trial court and representatives of recognized employee organizations and local negotiation between the trial court and the county.

SEC. 138. Section 71639 of the Government Code is amended to read:

71639. (a) As of the implementation date of this chapter, an employee organization that is recognized as a representative of a group of trial court employees or the exclusive representative of an established bargaining unit of trial court employees, either by

the county or the trial court, shall continue to be recognized by the trial court as a representative or the exclusive representative of the same trial court employees. A trial court and recognized employee organization shall be bound by the terms of any memorandum of understanding or agreement covering trial court employees to which the trial court or the county is a party that is in effect on the implementation date of this chapter for the duration thereof, or until it expires and, consistent with law, is replaced by a successor memorandum of understanding or agreement, subject to the obligation to meet and confer in good faith. Upon expiration of a memorandum of understanding or agreement, the trial court shall meet and confer in good faith with recognized employee organizations.

(b) A trial court's local rules governing trial court employees and a trial court's personnel rules, policies, and practices, and any county rules in effect pursuant to former Rule 2205 of the California Rules of Court as adopted on April 23, 1997, in effect at the time of the implementation date of this chapter, to the extent they are not contrary to or inconsistent with the obligations and duties provided for in this article, shall continue in effect until changed by the trial court. Prior to changing any rule, policy, or practice that affects any matter within the scope of representation as set forth in this article, the court shall meet and confer in good faith with the recognized employee organization as provided for in this chapter.

(c) Nothing contained in this article is intended to preclude trial court employees from continuing to be included in representation units which contain county employees.

SEC. 139. Section 71675 of the Government Code is amended to read:

71675. (a) Any trial court may adopt a procedure to be used as a preliminary step before petitioning the superior court for relief pursuant to subdivision (b) in matters concerning the release of information by that trial court. The Judicial Council may adopt a procedure to be used as a preliminary step before petitioning the superior court for relief pursuant to subdivision (b) in matters concerning the release of information by the Judicial Council.

(b) Notwithstanding Sections 1085 and 1003 of the Code of Civil Procedure requiring the issuance of a writ to an inferior tribunal, in the event that a trial court employee, an employee

organization, or a member of the public believes there has been a violation of Rule 10.802 of the California Rules of Court concerning the maintenance of, and public access to, budget and management information concerning the Judicial Council or the trial courts, that party may petition the superior court for relief.

(c) The Judicial Council shall adopt rules of court to implement this hearing and appeal process. The rules of court shall provide a mechanism for the establishment of a panel of court of appeal justices who shall be qualified to hear these matters, as specified in the rules of court, from which panel a single justice shall be assigned to hear the matter in the superior court. The rules of court shall provide that these matters shall be heard in the superior court, and, if applicable, the court of appeal, on an expedited basis. To the extent permitted by law or rule of court, these rules shall provide that the justice assigned to hear the matter shall not be from the court of appeal district in which the action is filed, and shall provide that appeals in these matters shall be heard in the court of appeal district where the matter was filed.

SEC. 140. Section 77003 of the Government Code is amended to read:

77003. (a) As used in this chapter, "court operations" means all of the following:

(1) Salaries, benefits, and public agency retirement contributions for superior court judges and for subordinate judicial officers. For purposes of this paragraph, "subordinate judicial officers" includes all commissioner or referee positions created prior to July 1, 1997, including positions created in the municipal court prior to July 1, 1997, which thereafter became positions in the superior court as a result of unification of the municipal and superior courts in a county, and including those commissioner positions created pursuant to former Sections 69904, 70141, 70141.9, 70142.11, 72607, 73794, 74841.5, and 74908; and includes any staff who provide direct support to commissioners; but does not include commissioners or staff who provide direct support to the commissioners whose positions were created after July 1, 1997, unless approved by the Judicial Council, subject to availability of funding.

(2) The salary, benefits, and public agency retirement contributions for other court staff.

(3) Those marshals and sheriffs as the court deems necessary for court operations.

(4) Court-appointed counsel in juvenile court dependency proceedings and counsel appointed by the court to represent a minor pursuant to Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 3150) of Part 2 of Division 8 of the Family Code.

(5) Services and supplies relating to court operations.

(6) Collective bargaining under Sections 71630 and 71639.3 with respect to court employees.

(7) Subject to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 77212, actual indirect costs for county and city and county general services attributable to court operations, but specifically excluding, but not limited to, law library operations conducted by a trust pursuant to statute; courthouse construction; district attorney services; probation services; indigent criminal defense; grand jury expenses and operations; and pretrial release services.

(8) Except as provided in subdivision (b), other matters listed as court operations in Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court as it read on January 1, 2007.

(b) However, "court operations" does not include collection enhancements as defined in Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court as it read on January 1, 2007.

SEC. 141. Section 77009 of the Government Code is amended to read:

77009. (a) The Judicial Council may establish bank accounts for the superior courts and require the courts to deposit moneys for trial court operations, and any other moneys under the control of the courts, into those accounts. Deposits to these accounts shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Moneys appropriated in the Budget Act and allocated or reallocated to the superior court by the Judicial Council.

(2) Moneys held in trust.

(3) Other moneys as deemed necessary or appropriate.

(b) Subdivision (a) shall not apply to payments from a party or a defendant received by the superior court for any criminal fees, fines, or forfeitures. However, the court and county may enter into a contract for the court to provide depository services in an account established by the Judicial Council for criminal fees, fines, and forfeitures, with the approval of the Administrative Director of the Courts. The contract shall identify the scope of service, method

of service delivery, term of agreement, anticipated service outcomes, and the cost of the service. The amount of any indirect or overhead costs shall be individually stated with the method of calculation of the indirect or overhead costs.

(c) Moneys deposited into a bank account established pursuant to subdivision (a) for the Trial Court Operations Fund that are appropriated in the Budget Act and allocated or reallocated to the superior court by the Judicial Council shall be payable only for the purposes set forth in Sections 77003 and 77006.5, and for services purchased by the court pursuant to subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 77212.

(d) (1) All moneys received by a superior court from any source for court operating and program purposes shall be deposited into a bank account established pursuant to subdivision (a) and accounted for in the Trial Court Operations Fund. Moneys that are received to fulfill the requirements of Article 4 (commencing with Section 4250) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 9 and Division 14 (commencing with Section 10000) of the Family Code shall be identified and maintained in a separate account established in the fund for this purpose.

(2) All other moneys deposited into a bank account established pursuant to subdivision (a) and accounted for in the Trial Court Operations Fund that are received for purposes other than court operations, as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court, shall be identified and maintained in separate accounts in the fund.

(3) This subdivision shall not apply to either of the following:

(A) Moneys received by the courts pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of this section and Section 68084, if those moneys are not for court operating or program purposes.

(B) Payments from a party or a defendant received by the county for any fees, fines, or forfeitures; moneys collected by the superior court under Chapter 5.8 (commencing with Section 70600); or fees and fines to which Section 68085.1 applies.

(e) The presiding judge of the superior court, or his or her designee, shall authorize and direct all expenditures by the court for operating and program purposes from any account established under subdivision (b) or (c).

(f) The Judicial Council, in consultation with the Controller's office, shall establish procedures to implement this section and to

provide for payment of trial court operations expenses, as described in Sections 77003 and 77006.5, incurred on July 1, 1997, and thereafter.

(g) (1) If the Judicial Council has not established bank accounts pursuant to subdivision (a), the court shall contract with the county for fiscal services. Each board of supervisors shall maintain in the county treasury a Trial Court Operations Fund, which will operate as an agency fund. All moneys appropriated in the Budget Act and allocated and reallocated to the superior court in the county by the Judicial Council shall be deposited into the fund.

(2) Moneys deposited into the fund that are appropriated for the Trial Court Operations Fund in the Budget Act and allocated or reallocated to the superior court by the Judicial Council shall be payable only for the purposes set forth in Sections 77003 and 77006.5, and for services purchased by the court pursuant to subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 77212. The presiding judge of the superior court, or his or her designee, shall authorize and direct expenditures from the fund and the county auditor-controller shall make payments from the funds as directed. Approval of the board of supervisors is not required for expenditure from this fund.

(3) All moneys received by a superior court from any source for court operating and program purposes shall be deposited in the fund, except as provided in this subdivision. Moneys that are received to fulfill the requirements of Article 4 (commencing with Section 4250) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 9 and Division 14 (commencing with Section 10000) of the Family Code shall be identified and maintained in a separate account established in the fund for this purpose. All other moneys that are received for purposes other than court operations, as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court, shall be identified and maintained in one or more separate accounts established in the fund pursuant to procedures adopted by the Judicial Council. This subdivision shall only apply to moneys received by the courts for operating and program purposes. This subdivision shall not apply to either of the following:

(A) Moneys received by the courts pursuant to Section 68084, if those funds are not for court operating or program purposes.

(B) Payments from a party or a defendant received by the county for any fees, fines, or forfeitures; moneys collected by the superior

court under Chapter 5.8 (commencing with Section 70600); or fees and fines to which Section 68085.1 applies.

(4) Interest received by a county that is attributable to investment of moneys, which interest is required by this subdivision to be deposited in the superior court's fund, shall be deposited in the fund and shall be used for trial court operations purposes.

(5) In no event shall interest be charged to the superior court's fund, except as provided in Section 77009.1.

(6) Reasonable administrative expenses incurred by the county associated with the operation of this fund shall be charged to the superior court.

(7) A county, or city and county, may bill the superior court within its jurisdiction for costs for services provided by the county, or city and county, as described in Sections 77003 and 77212, including indirect costs as described in paragraph (7) of subdivision (a) of Section 77003 and Section 77212. The costs billed by the county, or the city and the county, pursuant to this subdivision shall not exceed the costs incurred by the county, or the city and the county, of providing similar services to county departments or special districts.

(8) Pursuant to Section 77206, the Controller, at the request of the Legislature, may perform financial and fiscal compliance audits of this fund. The Judicial Council or its representatives may perform audits, reviews, and investigations of this fund wherever the records may be located.

(h) The Judicial Council or its representatives may perform audits, reviews, and investigations of superior court operations and records wherever they may be located.

SEC. 142. Section 77200 of the Government Code is amended to read:

77200. On and after July 1, 1997, the state shall assume sole responsibility for the funding of court operations, as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court as it read on January 1, 2007. In meeting this responsibility, the state shall do all of the following:

(a) Deposit in the State Trial Court Trust Fund, for subsequent allocation to or for the trial courts, all county funds remitted to the state pursuant to Section 77201 until June 30, 1998, and pursuant to Section 77201.1, thereafter.

(b) Be responsible for the cost of court operations incurred by the trial courts in the 1997–98 fiscal year and subsequent fiscal years.

(c) Allocate funds to the individual trial courts pursuant to an allocation schedule adopted by the Judicial Council, but in no case shall the amount allocated to the trial court in a county be less than the amount remitted to the state by the county in which that court is located pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201 until June 30, 1998, and pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1, thereafter.

(d) The Judicial Council shall submit its allocation schedule to the Controller at least five days before the due date of any allocation.

SEC. 143. Section 77201 of the Government Code, as added by Section 7 of Chapter 146 of the Statutes of 1998, is repealed.

SEC. 144. Section 77201 of the Government Code, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 671 of the Statutes of 2000, is amended to read:

77201. (a) Commencing on July 1, 1997, no county shall be responsible for funding court operations, as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court as it read on January 1, 2007.

(b) In the 1997–98 fiscal year, each county shall remit to the state in installments due on January 1, April 1, and June 30, the amounts specified in paragraphs (1) and (2), as follows:

(1) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, each county shall remit to the state the amount listed below which is based on an amount expended by the respective county for court operations during the 1994–95 fiscal year:

Jurisdiction	Amount
Alameda	$ 42,045,093
Alpine	46,044
Amador	900,196
Butte	2,604,611
Calaveras	420,893
Colusa	309,009
Contra Costa	21,634,450
Del Norte	780,786
El Dorado	3,888,927

Jurisdiction	Amount
Fresno	13,355,025
Glenn	371,607
Humboldt	2,437,196
Imperial	2,055,173
Inyo	546,508
Kern	16,669,917
Kings	2,594,901
Lake	975,311
Lassen	517,921
Los Angeles	291,872,379
Madera	1,242,968
Marin	6,837,518
Mariposa	177,880
Mendocino	1,739,605
Merced	1,363,409
Modoc	114,249
Mono	271,021
Monterey	5,739,655
Napa	2,866,986
Nevada	815,130
Orange	76,567,372
Placer	6,450,175
Plumas	413,368
Riverside	32,524,412
Sacramento	40,692,954
San Benito	460,552
San Bernardino	31,516,134
San Diego	77,637,904
San Francisco	31,142,353
San Joaquin	9,102,834
San Luis Obispo	6,840,067
San Mateo	20,383,643
Santa Barbara	10,604,431
Santa Clara	49,876,177
Santa Cruz	6,449,104
Shasta	3,369,017
Sierra	40,477
Siskiyou	478,144
Solano	10,780,179

Jurisdiction	Amount
Sonoma	9,273,174
Stanislaus	8,320,727
Sutter	1,718,287
Tehama	1,352,370
Trinity	620,990
Tulare	6,981,681
Tuolumne	1,080,723
Ventura	16,721,157
Yolo	2,564,985
Yuba	842,240

(2) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, each county shall also remit to the state the amount listed below which is based on an amount of fine and forfeiture revenue remitted to the state pursuant to Sections 27361 and 76000 of this code, Sections 1463.001 and 1464 of the Penal Code, and Sections 42007, 42007.1, and 42008 of the Vehicle Code during the 1994–95 fiscal year:

Jurisdiction	Amount
Alameda	$12,769,882
Alpine	58,757
Amador	377,005
Butte	1,437,671
Calaveras	418,558
Colusa	485,040
Contra Costa	6,138,742
Del Norte	235,438
El Dorado	1,217,093
Fresno	4,505,786
Glenn	455,389
Humboldt	1,161,745
Imperial	1,350,760
Inyo	878,321
Kern	6,688,247
Kings	1,115,601
Lake	424,070
Lassen	513,445
Los Angeles	89,771,310

Jurisdiction	Amount
Madera	1,207,998
Marin	2,700,045
Mariposa	135,457
Mendocino	948,837
Merced	2,093,355
Modoc	122,156
Mono	415,136
Monterey	3,855,457
Napa	874,219
Nevada	1,378,796
Orange	24,830,542
Placer	2,182,230
Plumas	225,080
Riverside	13,328,445
Sacramento	7,548,829
San Benito	346,451
San Bernardino	11,694,120
San Diego	21,410,586
San Francisco	5,925,950
San Joaquin	4,753,688
San Luis Obispo	2,573,968
San Mateo	7,124,638
Santa Barbara	4,094,288
Santa Clara	15,561,983
Santa Cruz	2,267,327
Shasta	1,198,773
Sierra	46,778
Siskiyou	801,329
Solano	3,757,059
Sonoma	2,851,883
Stanislaus	2,669,045
Sutter	802,574
Tehama	761,188
Trinity	137,087
Tulare	2,299,167
Tuolumne	440,496
Ventura	6,129,411
Yolo	1,516,065
Yuba	402,077

(3) The installment due on January 1 shall be for 25 percent of the amounts specified in paragraphs (1) and (2). The installments due on April 1 and June 30 shall be prorated uniformly to reflect any adjustments made by the Department of Finance, as provided in this section. If no adjustment is made by April 1, 1998, the April 1, 1998, installment shall be for 15 percent of the amounts specified in paragraphs (1) and (2). If no adjustment is made by June 30, 1998, the June 30, 1998, installment shall be for the balance of the amounts specified in paragraphs (1) and (2).

(4) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, county remittances specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not be increased in subsequent years.

(5) Any change in statute or rule of court that either reduces the bail schedule or redirects or reduces a county's portion of fee, fine, and forfeiture revenue to an amount that is less than (A) the fees, fines, and forfeitures retained by that county and (B) the county's portion of fines and forfeitures transmitted to the state in the 1994–95 fiscal year, shall reduce that county's remittance specified in paragraph (2) by an equal amount. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to limit judicial sentencing discretion.

(c) The Department of Finance shall adjust the amount specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) that a county is required to submit to the state, pursuant to the following:

(1) A county shall submit a declaration to the Department of Finance, no later than February 15, 1998, that the amount it is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) either includes or does not include the costs for local judicial benefits which are court operation costs as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court. The trial courts in a county that submits such a declaration shall be given a copy of the declaration and the opportunity to comment on the validity of the statements in the declaration. The Department of Finance shall verify the facts in the county's declaration and comments, if any. Upon verification that the amount the county is required to submit to the state includes the costs of local judicial benefits, the department shall reduce on or before June 30, 1998, the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) by an amount equal to the cost of those judicial benefits, in which case the county shall continue to be responsible for the cost of those benefits. If a county disagrees

with the Department of Finance's failure to verify the facts in the county's declaration and reduce the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b), the county may request that the Controller conduct an audit to verify the facts in the county's declaration. The Controller shall conduct the requested audit which shall be at the requesting county's expense. If the Controller's audit verifies the facts in the county's declaration, the department shall reduce the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) by an amount equal to the amount verified by the Controller's audit and the state shall reimburse the requesting county for the cost of the audit.

(d) The Department of Finance shall adjust the amount specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 that a county is required to submit to the state, pursuant to the following procedures:

(1) A county may submit a declaration to the Department of Finance, no later than February 15, 1998, that declares that (A) the county incorrectly reported county costs as court operations costs as defined in Section 77003 in the 1994–95 fiscal year, and that incorrect report resulted in the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) being too high, (B) the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) includes amounts that were specifically appropriated, funded, and expended by a county or city and county during the 1994–95 fiscal year to fund extraordinary one-time expenditures for court operation costs, or (C) the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) includes expenses that were funded from grants or subventions from any source, for court operation costs that could not have been funded without those grants or subventions being available. A county submitting that declaration shall concurrently transmit a copy of the declaration to the trial courts of that county. The trial courts in a county that submits that declaration shall have the opportunity to comment to the Department of Finance on the validity of the statements in the declaration. Upon receipt of the declaration and comments, if any, the Department of Finance shall determine and certify which costs identified in the county's declaration were incorrectly reported as court operation costs or were expended for extraordinary one-time

expenditures or funded from grants or subventions in the 1994–95 fiscal year. The Department of Finance shall reduce the amount a county must submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 by an amount equal to the amount the department certifies was incorrectly reported as court operations costs or were expended for extraordinary one-time expense or funded from grants or subventions in the 1994–95 fiscal year. If a county disagrees with the Department of Finance's failure to verify the facts in the county's declaration and reduce the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1, the county may request that the Controller conduct an audit to verify the facts in the county's declaration. The Controller shall conduct the requested audit, which shall be at the requesting county's expense. If the Controller's audit verifies the facts in the county's declaration, the department shall reduce the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 by an amount equal to the amount verified by the Controller's audit and the state shall reimburse the requesting county for the cost of the audit. A county shall provide, at no charge to the court, any service for which the amount in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 was adjusted downward, if the county is required to provide that service at no cost to the court by any other provision of law.

(2) A court may submit a declaration to the Department of Finance, no later than February 15, 1998, that the county failed to report county costs as court operations costs as defined in Section 77003 in the 1994–95 fiscal year, and that this failure resulted in the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) being too low. A court submitting that declaration shall concurrently transmit a copy of the declaration to the county. A county shall have the opportunity to comment to the Department of Finance on the validity of statements in the declaration and comments, if any. Upon receipt of the declaration, the Department of Finance shall determine and certify which costs identified in the court's declaration should have been reported by the county as court operation costs in the 1994–95 fiscal year and whether this failure resulted in the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) being too low. The Department of Finance shall

notify the county, the trial courts in the county, and the Judicial Council of its certification and decision. Within 30 days, the county shall either notify the Department of Finance, trial courts in the county, and the Judicial Council that the county shall assume responsibility for the costs the county has failed to report, or that the department shall increase the amount the county is required to submit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 by an amount equal to the amount certified by the department. A county shall not be required to continue to provide services for which the amount in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 was adjusted upward.

(e) The Legislature hereby finds and declares that to ensure an orderly transition to state trial court funding, it is necessary to delay the adjustments to county obligation payments provided for by Article 3 (commencing with Section 77200) of Chapter 13 of Title 8, as added by Chapter 850 of the Statutes of 1997, until the 1998–99 fiscal year. The Legislature also finds and declares that since increase adjustments to the county obligation amounts will not take effect in the 1997–98 fiscal year, county charges for those services related to the increase adjustments shall not occur in the 1997–98 fiscal year. It is recognized that the counties have an obligation to provide, and the trial courts have an obligation to pay, for services provided by the county pursuant to Section 77212. In the 1997–98 fiscal year, the counties shall charge for, and the courts shall pay, these obligations consistent with paragraphs (1) and (2).

(1) For the 1997–98 fiscal year, a county shall reduce the charges to a court for those services for which the amount in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 is adjusted upward, by an amount equal to the lesser of the following:

(A) The amount of the increase adjustment certified by the department pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d).

(B) The difference between the actual amount charged and paid for from the trial court operations fund, and the amount charged in the 1994–95 fiscal year.

(2) For the 1997–98 fiscal year, any funds paid out of the trial court operations fund established pursuant to Section 77009 during the 1997–98 fiscal year to pay for those services for which there was an upward adjustment, shall be returned to the trial court operations fund in the amount equal to the lesser of the following:

(A) The amount of the increase adjustment certified by the department pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d).

(B) The difference between the actual amount charged and paid for from the trial court operations fund, and the amount charged in the 1994–95 fiscal year.

(3) The Judicial Council shall reduce the allocation to the courts by an amount equal to the amount of any increase adjustment certified by the Department of Finance, if the cost of those services was used in determining the Judicial Council's allocation of funding for the 1997–98 fiscal year.

(4) In the event the charges are not reduced as provided in paragraph (1) or the funds are not returned to the trial court operations fund as provided in paragraph (2), the trial court operations fund shall be refunded for the 1998–99 fiscal year. Funds provided to the trial court operations fund pursuant to this paragraph shall be available to the trial courts to meet financial obligations incurred during the 1997–98 fiscal year. To the extent that a trial court receives total resources for trial court funding from the county and the state for the 1997–98 fiscal year that exceeded the amount of the allocation approved by the Judicial Council by November 30, 1997, these amounts shall be available for expenditure in the 1998–99 fiscal year and the Judicial Council shall reduce the 1998–99 fiscal year allocation of the court by an equal amount.

(f) Nothing in this section is intended to relieve a county of the responsibility to provide necessary and suitable court facilities pursuant to Section 68073.

(g) Nothing in this section is intended to relieve a county of the responsibility for justice-related expenses not included in Section 77003 which are otherwise required of the county by law, including, but not limited to, indigent defense representation and investigation, and payment of Division of Juvenile Justice charges.

(h) The Department of Finance shall notify the county, trial courts in the county, and Judicial Council of the final decision and resulting adjustment.

(i) On or before February 15, 1998, each county shall submit to the Department of Finance a report of the amount it expended for trial court operations as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court as it read on January 1, 2007, between the start of the 1997–98 fiscal year and the effective

date of this section. The department shall reduce the amount a county is required to remit to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) in the 1997–98 fiscal year by an amount equal to the amount a county expended for court operation costs between the start of the 1997–98 fiscal year and the effective date of this section. The department shall also reduce the amount a county is required to remit to the state pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) in the 1997–98 fiscal year by an amount equal to the amount of fine and forfeiture revenue that a county remitted to the state between the start of the 1997–98 fiscal year and the effective date of this section. The department shall notify the county, the trial courts of the county, and the Judicial Council of the amount it has reduced a county's obligation to remit to the state pursuant to this subdivision.

SEC. 145. Section 77201.1 of the Government Code is amended to read:

77201.1. (a) Commencing on July 1, 1997, no county shall be responsible for funding court operations, as defined in Section 77003 and Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court as it read on January 1, 2007.

(b) Commencing in the 1999–2000 fiscal year, and each fiscal year thereafter, each county shall remit to the state in four equal installments due on October 1, January 1, April 1, and May 1, the amounts specified in paragraphs (1) and (2), as follows:

(1) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, each county shall remit to the state the amount listed below which is based on an amount expended by the respective county for court operations during the 1994–95 fiscal year:

Jurisdiction	Amount
Alameda	$ 22,509,905
Alpine	-
Amador	-
Butte	-
Calaveras	-
Colusa	-
Contra Costa	11,974,535
Del Norte	-
El Dorado	-
Fresno	11,222,780

Jurisdiction	Amount
Glenn	-
Humboldt	-
Imperial	-
Inyo	-
Kern	9,234,511
Kings	-
Lake	-
Lassen	-
Los Angeles	175,330,647
Madera	-
Marin	-
Mariposa	-
Mendocino	-
Merced	-
Modoc	-
Mono	-
Monterey	4,520,911
Napa	-
Nevada	-
Orange	38,846,003
Placer	-
Plumas	-
Riverside	17,857,241
Sacramento	20,733,264
San Benito	-
San Bernardino	20,227,102
San Diego	43,495,932
San Francisco	19,295,303
San Joaquin	6,543,068
San Luis Obispo	-
San Mateo	12,181,079
Santa Barbara	6,764,792
Santa Clara	28,689,450
Santa Cruz	-
Shasta	-
Sierra	-
Siskiyou	-
Solano	6,242,661
Sonoma	6,162,466

Jurisdiction	Amount
Stanislaus	3,506,297
Sutter	-
Tehama	-
Trinity	-
Tulare	-
Tuolumne	-
Ventura	9,734,190
Yolo	-
Yuba	-

(2) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, each county shall also remit to the state the amount listed below which is based on an amount of fine and forfeiture revenue remitted to the state pursuant to Sections 27361 and 76000 of this code, Sections 1463.001, 1463.07, and 1464 of the Penal Code, and Sections 42007, 42007.1, and 42008 of the Vehicle Code during the 1994–95 fiscal year:

Jurisdiction	Amount
Alameda	$ 9,912,156
Alpine	58,757
Amador	265,707
Butte	1,217,052
Calaveras	310,331
Colusa	397,468
Contra Costa	4,486,486
Del Norte	124,085
El Dorado	1,028,349
Fresno	3,695,633
Glenn	360,974
Humboldt	1,025,583
Imperial	1,144,661
Inyo	614,920
Kern	5,530,972
Kings	982,208
Lake	375,570
Lassen	430,163
Los Angeles	71,002,129
Madera	1,042,797

Jurisdiction	Amount
Marin	2,111,712
Mariposa	135,457
Mendocino	717,075
Merced	1,733,156
Modoc	104,729
Mono	415,136
Monterey	3,330,125
Napa	719,168
Nevada	1,220,686
Orange	19,572,810
Placer	1,243,754
Plumas	193,772
Riverside	7,681,744
Sacramento	5,937,204
San Benito	302,324
San Bernardino	8,163,193
San Diego	16,166,735
San Francisco	4,046,107
San Joaquin	3,562,835
San Luis Obispo	2,036,515
San Mateo	4,831,497
Santa Barbara	3,277,610
Santa Clara	11,597,583
Santa Cruz	1,902,096
Shasta	1,044,700
Sierra	42,533
Siskiyou	615,581
Solano	2,708,758
Sonoma	2,316,999
Stanislaus	1,855,169
Sutter	678,681
Tehama	640,303
Trinity	137,087
Tulare	1,840,422
Tuolumne	361,665
Ventura	4,575,349
Yolo	880,798
Yuba	289,325

(3) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this section, county remittances specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not be increased in subsequent years.

(4) Except for those counties with a population of 70,000, or less, on January 1, 1996, the amount a county is required to remit pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be adjusted by the amount equal to any adjustment resulting from the procedures in subdivisions (c) and (d) of Section 77201 as that section read on June 30, 1998, to the extent a county filed an appeal with the Controller with respect to the findings made by the Department of Finance. This paragraph shall not be construed to establish a new appeal process beyond what was provided by Section 77201, as that section read on June 30, 1998.

(5) Any change in statute or rule of court that either reduces the bail schedule or redirects or reduces a county's portion of fee, fine, and forfeiture revenue to an amount that is less than (A) the fees, fines, and forfeitures retained by that county, and (B) the county's portion of fines and forfeitures transmitted to the state in the 1994–95 fiscal year, shall reduce that county's remittance specified in paragraph (2) by an equal amount. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to limit judicial sentencing discretion.

(c) Nothing in this section is intended to relieve a county of the responsibility to provide necessary and suitable court facilities pursuant to Section 68073.

(d) Nothing in this section is intended to relieve a county of the responsibility for justice-related expenses not included in Section 77003 which are otherwise required of the county by law, including, but not limited to, indigent defense representation and investigation, and payment of Division of Juvenile Justice charges.

(e) County base year remittance requirements specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) incorporate specific reductions to reflect those instances where the Department of Finance has determined that a county's remittance to both the General Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund during the 1994–95 fiscal year exceeded the aggregate amount of state funding from the General Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund. The amount of the reduction was determined by calculating the difference between the amount the county remitted to the General Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund and the aggregate amount of state support from the General Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund allocated to the county's trial

courts. In making its determination of whether a county is entitled to a reduction pursuant to that paragraph, the Department of Finance subtracted from county revenues remitted to the state, all moneys derived from the fee required by Section 42007.1 of the Vehicle Code and the parking surcharge required by subdivision (c) of Section 76000 of this code.

(f) Notwithstanding subdivision (e), the Department of Finance shall not reduce a county's base year remittance requirement, as specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b), if the county's trial court funding allocation was modified pursuant to the amendments to the allocation formula set forth in paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 77200, as amended by Chapter 2 of the Statutes of 1993, to provide a stable level of funding for small county courts in response to reductions in the General Fund support for the trial courts.

(g) In any fiscal year in which a county of the first class pays the employer-paid retirement contribution for court employees, or any other employees of the county who provide a service to the court, and the amounts of those payments are charged to the budget of the courts, the sum the county is required to pay to the state pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) shall be increased by the actual amount charged to the trial court up to twenty-three million five hundred twenty-seven thousand nine hundred forty-nine dollars ($23,527,949) in that fiscal year. The county and the trial court shall report to the Controller and the Department of Finance the actual amount charged in that fiscal year.

(h) This section shall become operative on July 1, 1999.

SEC. 146. Section 77202 of the Government Code is amended to read:

77202. (a) The Legislature shall make an annual appropriation to the Judicial Council for the general operations of the trial courts based on the request of the Judicial Council. The Judicial Council's trial court budget request, which shall be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature, shall meet the needs of all trial courts in a manner that ensures a predictable fiscal environment for labor negotiations in accordance with the Trial Court Employment Protection and Governance Act (Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 71600) of Title 8), that promotes equal access to the courts statewide, and that promotes court financial accountability. The annual budget request shall include the following components:

(1) Commencing with the 2006–07 fiscal year, annual General Fund appropriations to support the trial courts shall be comprised of both of the following:

(A) The current fiscal year General Fund appropriations, which include all of the following:

(i) General Fund moneys appropriated for transfer or direct local assistance in support of the trial courts.

(ii) Transfers to the Judicial Administration Efficiency and Modernization Fund.

(iii) Local assistance grants made by the Judicial Council, including the Equal Access Fund.

(iv) The full year cost of budget change proposals approved through the 2006–07 fiscal year or subsequently approved in accordance with paragraph (2), but excluding lease-revenue payments and funding for costs specifically and expressly reimbursed through other state or federal funding sources, excluding the cost of one-time or expiring programs.

(B) A cost-of-living and growth adjustment computed by multiplying the year-to-year percentage change in the state appropriation limit as described in Section 3 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution by the sum of all of the following:

(i) The current year General Fund appropriations for the trial courts, as defined in subparagraph (A).

(ii) The amount of county obligations established pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 77201.1 in effect as of June 30, 2005, six hundred ninety-eight million sixty-eight thousand dollars ($698,068,000).

(iii) The level of funding required to be transferred from the Trial Court Improvement Fund to the Trial Court Trust Fund pursuant to subdivision (k) of Section 77209, thirty-one million five hundred sixty-three thousand dollars ($31,563,000).

(iv) Funding deposited into the Court Facilities Trust Fund associated with each facility that was transferred to the state not less than two fiscal years earlier than the fiscal year for which the cost-of-living and growth adjustment is being calculated.

(v) The court filing fees and surcharges projected to be deposited into the Trial Court Trust Fund in the 2005–06 fiscal year, adjusted to reflect the full-year implementation of the uniform civil fee structure implemented on January 1, 2006, three hundred sixty-nine million six hundred seventy-two thousand dollars ($369,672,000).

(2) In addition to the moneys to be applied pursuant to subdivision (b), the Judicial Council may identify and request additional funding for the trial courts for costs resulting from the implementation of statutory changes that result in either an increased level of service or a new activity that directly affects the programmatic or operational needs of the courts.

(b) The Judicial Council shall allocate the funding from the Trial Court Trust Fund to the trial courts in a manner that best ensures the ability of the courts to carry out their functions, promotes implementation of statewide policies, and promotes the immediate implementation of efficiencies and cost-saving measures in court operations, in order to guarantee access to justice to citizens of the state.

The Judicial Council shall ensure that allocations to the trial courts recognize each trial court's implementation of efficiencies and cost-saving measures.

These efficiencies and cost-saving measures shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) The sharing or merger of court support staff among trial courts across counties.

(2) The assignment of any type of case to a judge for all purposes commencing with the filing of the case and regardless of jurisdictional boundaries.

(3) The establishment of a separate calendar or division to hear a particular type of case.

(4) In rural counties, the use of all court facilities for hearings and trials of all types of cases and the acceptance of filing documents in any case.

(5) The use of alternative dispute resolution programs, such as arbitration.

(6) The development and use of automated accounting and case-processing systems.

(c) (1) The Judicial Council shall adopt policies and procedures governing practices and procedures for budgeting in the trial courts in a manner that best ensures the ability of the courts to carry out their functions and may delegate the adoption to the Administrative Director of the Courts. The Administrative Director of the Courts shall establish budget procedures and an annual schedule of budget development and management consistent with these rules.

(2) The trial court policies and procedures shall specify the process for a court to transfer existing funds between or among the budgeted program components to reflect changes in the court's planned operation or to correct technical errors. If the process requires a trial court to request approval of a specific transfer of existing funds, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall review the request to transfer funds and respond within 30 days of receipt of the request. The Administrative Office of the Courts shall respond to the request for approval or denial to the affected court, in writing, with copies provided to the Department of Finance, the Legislative Analyst's Office, the Legislature's budget committees, and the court's affected labor organizations.

(3) The Judicial Council shall circulate for comment to all affected entities any amendments proposed to the trial court policies and procedures as they relate to budget monitoring and reporting. Final changes shall be adopted at a meeting of the Judicial Council.

SEC. 147. Section 77203 of the Government Code is amended to read:

77203. The Judicial Council may authorize a trial court to carry unexpended funds over from one fiscal year to the next, provided that the court carrying over the funds has fully implemented all provisions of former Rule 991 of the California Rules of Court as it read on July 1, 1996, regarding trial court coordination.

SEC. 148. Section 77209 of the Government Code is amended to read:

77209. (a) There is in the State Treasury the Trial Court Improvement Fund.

(b) The Judicial Council shall reserve funds for projects by transferring 1 percent of the amount appropriated for support for operation of the trial courts to the Trial Court Improvement Fund. At least one-half of this amount shall be set aside as a reserve that shall not be allocated prior to March 15 of each year unless allocated to a court or courts for urgent needs.

(c) Any funds in the Trial Court Improvement Fund that are unencumbered at the end of the fiscal year shall be reappropriated to the Trial Court Improvement Fund for the following fiscal year.

(d) Moneys deposited in the Trial Court Improvement Fund shall be placed in an interest-bearing account. Any interest earned

shall accrue to the fund and shall be disbursed pursuant to subdivision (e).

(e) Moneys deposited in the Trial Court Improvement Fund may be disbursed for purposes of this section.

(f) Moneys deposited in the Trial Court Improvement Fund pursuant to Section 68090.8 shall be allocated by the Judicial Council for automated administrative system improvements pursuant to that section and in furtherance of former Rule 991 of the California Rules of Court, as it read on July 1, 1996. As used in this subdivision, "automated administrative system" does not include electronic reporting systems for use in a courtroom.

(g) Moneys deposited in the Trial Court Improvement Fund shall be administered by the Judicial Council. The Judicial Council may, with appropriate guidelines, delegate to the Administrative Director of the Courts the administration of the fund. Moneys in the fund may be expended to implement trial court projects approved by the Judicial Council. Expenditures may be made to vendors or individual trial courts that have the responsibility to implement approved projects.

(h) Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, the 2-percent automation fund moneys deposited in the Trial Court Improvement Fund pursuant to Section 68090.8 shall be allocated by the Judicial Council to statewide initiatives related to trial court automation and their implementation. The Judicial Council shall allocate the remainder of the moneys deposited in the Trial Court Improvement Fund as specified in this section.

For the purposes of this subdivision, "2-percent automation fund" means the fund established pursuant to Section 68090.8 as it read on June 30, 1996. As used in this subdivision, "statewide initiatives related to trial court automation and their implementation" does not include electronic reporting systems for use in a courtroom.

(i) Royalties received from the publication of uniform jury instructions shall be deposited in the Trial Court Improvement Fund and used for the improvement of the jury system.

(j) The Judicial Council shall present an annual report to the Legislature on the use of the Trial Court Improvement Fund. The report shall include appropriate recommendations.

(k) Each fiscal year, the Controller shall transfer thirty-one million five hundred sixty-three thousand dollars ($31,563,000)

from the Trial Court Improvement Fund to the Trial Court Trust Fund for allocation to trial courts for court operations.

SEC. 149. Section 85316 of the Government Code is amended to read:

85316. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), a contribution for an election may be accepted by a candidate for elective state office after the date of the election only to the extent that the contribution does not exceed net debts outstanding from the election, and the contribution does not otherwise exceed the applicable contribution limit for that election.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), an elected state officer may accept contributions after the date of the election for the purpose of paying expenses associated with holding the office provided that the contributions are not expended for any contribution to any state or local committee. Contributions received pursuant to this subdivision shall be deposited into a bank account established solely for the purposes specified in this subdivision.

(1) No person shall make, and no elected state officer shall receive from a person, a contribution pursuant to this subdivision totaling more than the following amounts per calendar year:

(A) Three thousand dollars ($3,000) in the case of an elected state officer of the Assembly or Senate.

(B) Five thousand dollars ($5,000) in the case of a statewide elected state officer other than the Governor.

(C) Twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) in the case of the Governor.

(2) No elected state officer shall receive contributions pursuant to paragraph (1) that, in the aggregate, total more than the following amounts per calendar year:

(A) Fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) in the case of an elected state officer of the Assembly or Senate.

(B) One hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) in the case of a statewide elected state officer other than the Governor.

(C) Two hundred thousand dollars ($200,000) in the case of the Governor.

(3) Any contribution received pursuant to this subdivision shall be deemed to be a contribution to that candidate for election to any state office that he or she may seek during the term of office to which he or she is currently elected, including, but not limited to, reelection to the office he or she currently holds, and shall be

subject to any applicable contribution limit provided in this title. If a contribution received pursuant to this subdivision exceeds the allowable contribution limit for the office sought, the candidate shall return the amount exceeding the limit to the contributor on a basis to be determined by the Commission. None of the expenditures made by elected state officers pursuant to this subdivision shall be subject to the voluntary expenditure limitations in Section 85400.

(4) The commission shall adjust the calendar year contribution limitations and aggregate contribution limitations set forth in this subdivision in January of every odd-numbered year to reflect any increase or decrease in the Consumer Price Index. Those adjustments shall be rounded to the nearest one hundred dollars ($100).

SEC. 150. Section 89513 of the Government Code is amended to read:

89513. This ~~sections~~ *section* governs the use of campaign funds for the specific expenditures set forth in this section. It is the intent of the Legislature that this section shall guide the interpretation of the standard imposed by Section 89512 as applied to other expenditures not specifically set forth in this section.

(a) (1) Campaign funds shall not be used to pay or reimburse the candidate, the elected officer, or any individual or individuals with authority to approve the expenditure of campaign funds held by a committee, or employees or staff of the committee or the elected officer's governmental agency for travel expenses and necessary accommodations except when these expenditures are directly related to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose.

(2) For the purposes of this section, payments or reimbursements for travel and necessary accommodations shall be considered as directly related to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose if the payments would meet standards similar to the standards of the Internal Revenue Service pursuant to Sections 162 and 274 of the Internal Revenue Code for deductions of travel expenses under the federal income tax law.

(3) For the purposes of this section, payments or reimbursement for travel by the household of a candidate or elected officer when traveling to the same destination in order to accompany the candidate or elected officer shall be considered for the same purpose as the candidate's or elected officer's travel.

(4) Whenever campaign funds are used to pay or reimburse a candidate, elected officer, his or her representative, or a member of the candidate's household for travel expenses and necessary accommodations, the expenditure shall be reported as required by Section 84211.

(5) Whenever campaign funds are used to pay or reimburse for travel expenses and necessary accommodations, any mileage credit that is earned or awarded pursuant to an airline bonus mileage program shall be deemed personally earned by or awarded to the individual traveler. Neither the earning or awarding of mileage credit, nor the redeeming of credit for actual travel, shall be subject to reporting pursuant to Section 84211.

(b) (1) Campaign funds shall not be used to pay for or reimburse the cost of professional services unless the services are directly related to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose.

(2) Expenditures by a committee to pay for professional services reasonably required by the committee to assist it in the performance of its administrative functions are directly related to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose.

(3) Campaign funds shall not be used to pay health-related expenses for a candidate, elected officer, or any individual or individuals with authority to approve the expenditure of campaign funds held by a committee, or members of his or her household. "Health-related expenses" includes, but is not limited to, examinations by physicians, dentists, psychiatrists, psychologists, or counselors, expenses for medications, treatments or medical equipment, and expenses for hospitalization, health club dues, and special dietary foods. However, campaign funds may be used to pay employer costs of health care benefits of a bona fide employee or independent contractor of the committee.

(c) Campaign funds shall not be used to pay or reimburse fines, penalties, judgments, or settlements, except those resulting from either of the following:

(1) Parking citations incurred in the performance of an activity that was directly related to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose.

(2) Any other action for which payment of attorney's fees from contributions would be permitted pursuant to this title.

(d) Campaign funds shall not be used for campaign, business, or casual clothing except specialty clothing that is not suitable for

everyday use, including, but not limited to, formal wear, if this attire is to be worn by the candidate or elected officer and is directly related to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose.

(e) (1) Except where otherwise prohibited by law, campaign funds may be used to purchase or reimburse for the costs of purchase of tickets to political fundraising events for the attendance of a candidate, elected officer, or his or her immediate family, or an officer, director, employee, or staff of the committee or the elected officer's governmental agency.

(2) Campaign funds shall not be used to pay for or reimburse for the costs of tickets for entertainment or sporting events for the candidate, elected officer, or members of his or her immediate family, or an officer, director, employee, or staff of the committee, unless their attendance at the event is directly related to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose.

(3) The purchase of tickets for entertainment or sporting events for the benefit of persons other than the candidate, elected officer, or his or her immediate family are governed by subdivision (f).

(f) (1) Campaign funds shall not be used to make personal gifts unless the gift is directly related to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose. The refund of a campaign contribution does not constitute the making of a gift.

(2) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the use of campaign funds to reimburse or otherwise compensate a public employee for services rendered to a candidate or committee while on vacation, leave, or otherwise outside of compensated public time.

(3) An election victory celebration or similar campaign event, or gifts with a total cumulative value of less than two hundred fifty dollars ($250) in a single year made to an individual employee, a committee worker, or an employee of the elected officer's agency, are considered to be directly related to a political, legislative, or governmental purpose. For purposes of this paragraph, a gift to a member of a person's immediate family shall be deemed to be a gift to that person.

(g) Campaign funds shall not be used to make loans other than to organizations pursuant to Section 89515, or, unless otherwise prohibited, to a candidate for elective office, political party, or committee.

SEC. 151. Section 1250.8 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1250.8. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision (a) of Section 437.10, the state department, upon application of a general acute care hospital which meets all the criteria of subdivision (b), and other applicable requirements of licensure, shall issue a single consolidated license to a general acute care hospital which includes more than one physical plant maintained and operated on separate premises or which has multiple licenses for a single health facility on the same premises. A single consolidated license shall not be issued where the separate freestanding physical plant is a skilled nursing facility or an intermediate care facility, whether or not the location of the skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility is contiguous to the general acute care hospital, unless the hospital is exempt from subdivision (b) of Section 1254, or the facility is part of the physical structure licensed to provide acute care.

(b) The issuance of a single consolidated license shall be based on the following criteria:

(1) There is a single governing body for all of the facilities maintained and operated by the licensee.

(2) There is a single administration for all of the facilities maintained and operated by the licensee.

(3) There is a single medical staff for all of the facilities maintained and operated by the licensee, with a single set of bylaws, rules, and regulations, which prescribe a single committee structure.

(4) Except as provided otherwise in this paragraph, the physical plants maintained and operated by the licensee which are to be covered by the single consolidated license are located not more than 15 miles apart. If an applicant provides evidence satisfactory to the department that it can comply with all requirements of licensure and provide quality care and adequate administrative and professional supervision, the director may issue a single consolidated license to a general acute care hospital that operates two or more physical plants located more than 15 miles apart under any of the following circumstances:

(A) One or more of the physical plants is located in a rural area, as defined by regulations of the director.

(B) One or more of the physical plants provides only outpatient services, as defined by the department.

(C) If Section 14105.986 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is implemented and the applicant meets all of the following criteria:

(i) The applicant is a nonprofit corporation.

(ii) The applicant is a children's hospital listed in Section 10727 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(iii) The applicant is affiliated with a major university medical school, and located adjacent thereto.

(iv) The applicant operates a regional tertiary care facility.

(v) One of the physical plants is located in a county that has a consolidated and county government structure.

(vi) One of the physical plants is located in a county having a population between 1 million and 2 million.

(vii) The applicant is located in a city with a population between 50,000 and 100,000.

(c) In issuing the single consolidated license, the state department shall specify the location of each supplemental service and the location of the number and category of beds provided by the licensee. The single consolidated license shall be renewed annually.

(d) To the extent required by Part 1.5 (commencing with Section 437) of Division 1, a general acute care hospital which has been issued a single consolidated license:

(1) Shall not transfer from one facility to another a special service described in Section 1255 without first obtaining a certificate of need.

(2) Shall not transfer, in whole or in part, from one facility to another, a supplemental service, as defined in regulations of the director pursuant to this chapter, without first obtaining a certificate of need, unless the licensee, 30 days prior to the relocation, notifies the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, the applicable health systems agency, and the state department of the licensee's intent to relocate the supplemental service, and includes with this notice a cost estimate, certified by a person qualified by experience or training to render the estimates, which estimates that the cost of the transfer will not exceed the capital expenditure threshold established by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development pursuant to Section 437.10.

(3) Shall not transfer beds from one facility to another facility, without first obtaining a certificate of need unless, 30 days prior to the relocation, the licensee notifies the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, the applicable health systems agency, and the state department of the licensee's intent to relocate

health facility beds, and includes with this notice both of the following:

(A) A cost estimate, certified by a person qualified by experience or training to render the estimates, which estimates that the cost of the relocation will not exceed the capital expenditure threshold established by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development pursuant to Section 437.10.

(B) The identification of the number, classification, and location of the health facility beds in the transferor facility and the proposed number, classification, and location of the health facility beds in the transferee facility.

Except as otherwise permitted in Part 1.5 (commencing with Section 437) of Division 1, or as authorized in an approved certificate of need pursuant to that part, health facility beds transferred pursuant to this section shall be used in the transferee facility in the same bed classification as defined in Section 1250.1, as the beds were classified in the transferor facility.

Health facility beds transferred pursuant to this section shall not be transferred back to the transferor facility for two years from the date of the transfer, regardless of cost, without first obtaining a certificate of need pursuant to Part 1.5 (commencing with Section 437) of Division 1.

(e) All transfers pursuant to subdivision (d) shall satisfy all applicable requirements of licensure and shall be subject to the written approval, if required, of the state department. The state department may adopt regulations which are necessary to implement the provisions of this section. These regulations may include a requirement that each facility of a health facility subject to a single consolidated license have an onsite full-time or part-time administrator.

(f) As used in this section, “facility” means any physical plant operated or maintained by a health facility subject to a single, consolidated license issued pursuant to this section.

(g) For purposes of selective provider contracts negotiated under the Medi-Cal program, the treatment of a health facility with a single consolidated license issued pursuant to this section shall be subject to negotiation between the health facility and the California Medical Assistance Commission. A general acute care hospital which is issued a single consolidated license pursuant to this section may, at its option, receive from the state department a single

Medi-Cal program provider number or separate Medi-Cal program provider numbers for one or more of the facilities subject to the single consolidated license. Irrespective of whether the general acute care hospital is issued one or more Medi-Cal provider numbers, the state department may require the hospital to file separate cost reports for each facility pursuant to Section 14170 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(h) For purposes of the Annual Report of Hospitals required by regulations adopted by the state department pursuant to this part, the state department and the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development may require reporting of bed and service utilization data separately by each facility of a general acute care hospital issued a single consolidated license pursuant to this section.

(i) The amendments made to this section during the 1985–86 Regular Session of the Legislature pertaining to the issuance of a single consolidated license to a general acute care hospital in the case where the separate physical plant is a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility shall not apply to the following facilities:

(1) Any facility which obtained a certificate of need after August 1, 1984, and prior to February 14, 1985, as described in this subdivision. The certificate of need shall be for the construction of a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility which is the same facility for which the hospital applies for a single consolidated license, pursuant to subdivision (a).

(2) Any facility for which a single consolidated license has been issued pursuant to subdivision (a), as described in this subdivision, prior to the effective date of the amendments made to this section during the 1985–86 Regular Session of the Legislature.

Any facility which has been issued a single consolidated license pursuant to subdivision (a), as described in this subdivision, shall be granted renewal licenses based upon the same criteria used for the initial consolidated license.

(j) If the state department issues a single consolidated license pursuant to this section, the state department may take any action authorized by this chapter, including, but not limited to, any action specified in Article 5 (commencing with Section 1294), with respect to any facility, or any service provided in any facility, which is included in the consolidated license.

(k) The eligibility for participation in the Medi-Cal program (Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 14000) of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code) of any facility that is included in a consolidated license issued pursuant to this section, provides outpatient services, and is located more than 15 miles from the health facility issued the consolidated license shall be subject to a determination of eligibility by the state department. This subdivision shall not apply to any facility that is located in a rural area and is included in a consolidated license issued pursuant to subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of paragraph (4) of subdivision (b). Regardless of whether a facility has received or not received a determination of eligibility pursuant to this subdivision, this subdivision shall not affect the ability of a licensed professional, providing services covered by the Medi-Cal program to a person eligible for Medi-Cal in a facility subject to a determination of eligibility pursuant to this subdivision, to bill the Medi-Cal program for those services provided in accordance with applicable regulations.

(*l*) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the director may issue a single consolidated license for a general acute care hospital to Children's Hospital Oakland and San Ramon Regional Medical Center.

(m) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the director may issue a single consolidated license for a general acute care hospital to Children's Hospital Oakland and the John Muir Medical Center, Concord campus.

(n) (1) To the extent permitted by federal law, payments made to Children's Hospital Oakland pursuant to Section 14166.11 of the Welfare and Institutions Code shall be adjusted as follows:

(A) The number of Medi-Cal payment days and net revenues calculated for the John Muir Medical Center, Concord campus, under the consolidated license shall not be used for eligibility purposes for the private hospital disproportionate share hospital replacement funds for Children's Hospital Oakland.

(B) The number of Medi-Cal payment days calculated for hospital beds located at John Muir Medical Center, Concord campus, that are included in the consolidated license beginning in the 2007–08 fiscal year shall only be used for purposes of calculating disproportionate share hospital payments authorized under Section 14166.11 of the Welfare and Institutions Code at

Children's Hospital Oakland to the extent that the inclusion of those days does not exceed the total Medi-Cal payment days used to calculate Children's Hospital Oakland payments for the 2006–07 fiscal year disproportionate share replacement.

(2) This subdivision shall become inoperative in the event that the two facilities covered under the consolidated license described in subdivision (a) are located within a 15-mile radius of each other.

SEC. 152. Section 1262.4 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1262.4. (a) No hospital, as defined in subdivisions (a), (b), and (f) of Section 1250, may cause the transfer of homeless patients from one county to another county for the purpose of receiving supportive services from a social services agency, health care service provider, or nonprofit social services provider within the other county, without prior notification to, and authorization from, the social services agency, health care service provider, or nonprofit social services provider.

(b) For purposes of this section, "homeless patient" means an individual who lacks a fixed and regular nighttime residence, or who has a primary nighttime residence that is a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations, or who is residing in a public or private place that was not designed to provide temporary living accommodations or to be used as a sleeping accommodation for human beings.

SEC. 153. Section 1265.5 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1265.5. (a) (1) Prior to the initial licensure or renewal of a license of any person or persons to operate or manage an intermediate care facility/developmentally disabled habilitative, an intermediate care facility/developmentally disabled-nursing, or an intermediate care facility/developmentally disabled, other than an intermediate care facility/developmentally disabled operated by the state that secures criminal record clearances for its employees through a method other than as specified in this section or upon the hiring of direct care staff by any of these facilities, the department shall secure from the Department of Justice criminal offender record information to determine whether the applicant, facility administrator or manager, any direct care staff, or any other adult living in the same location, has ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation.

(2) (A) The criminal record clearance shall require the applicant to submit electronic fingerprint images and related information of the facility administrator or manager, and any direct care staff, or any other adult living in the same location, to the Department of Justice. Applicants shall be responsible for any cost associated with capturing or transmitting the fingerprint images and related information.

(B) The criminal record clearance shall be completed prior to direct staff contact with residents of the facility. A criminal record clearance shall be complete when the department has obtained the person's criminal record information from the Department of Justice and has determined that he or she is not disqualified from engaging in the activity for which clearance is required.

(3) (A) The Licensing and Certification Program shall issue an All Facilities Letter (AFL) to facility licensees when it determines that both of the following criteria have been met for a period of 30 days:

(i) The program receives, within three business days, 95 percent of its total responses indicating no evidence of recorded criminal information from the Department of Justice.

(ii) The program processes 95 percent of its total responses requiring disqualification in accordance with subdivision (b), with notices mailed to the facility no later than 45 days after the date that the criminal offender record information report is received from the Department of Justice.

(B) After the AFL is issued, facilities shall not allow newly hired facility administrators, managers, direct care staff, or any other adult living in the same location to have direct contact with clients or residents of the facility prior to completion of the criminal record clearance. A criminal record clearance shall be complete when the department has obtained the person's criminal offender record information search response from the Department of Justice and has determined that the person is not disqualified from engaging in the activity for which clearance is required.

(C) An applicant or certificate holder who may be disqualified on the basis of a criminal conviction shall provide the department with a certified copy of the judgment of each conviction. In addition, the individual may, during a period of two years after the department receives the criminal record report, provide the department with evidence of good character and rehabilitation in

accordance with subdivision (c). Upon receipt of a new application for certification of the individual, the department may receive and consider the evidence during the two-year period without requiring additional fingerprint imaging to clear the individual.

(D) The department's Licensing and Certification Program shall explore and implement methods for maximizing its efficiency in processing criminal record clearances within the requirements of law, including a streamlined clearance process for persons that have been disqualified on the basis of criminal convictions that do not require automatic denial pursuant to subdivision (b).

(4) An applicant and any other person specified in this subdivision, as part of the background clearance process, shall provide information as to whether or not the person has any prior criminal convictions, has had any arrests within the past 12-month period, or has any active arrests, and shall certify that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the information provided is true. This requirement is not intended to duplicate existing requirements for individuals who are required to submit fingerprint images as part of a criminal background clearance process. Every applicant shall provide information on any prior administrative action taken against him or her by any federal, state, or local governmental agency and shall certify that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the information provided is true. An applicant or other person required to provide information pursuant to this section that knowingly or willfully makes false statements, representations, or omissions may be subject to administrative action, including, but not limited to, denial of his or her application or exemption or revocation of any exemption previously granted.

(b) (1) The application for licensure or renewal shall be denied if the criminal record indicates that the person seeking initial licensure or renewal of a license referred to in subdivision (a) has been convicted of a violation or attempted violation of any one or more of the following Penal Code provisions: Section 187, subdivision (a) of Section 192, Section 203, 205, 206, 207, 209, 210, 210.5, 211, 220, 222, 243.4, 245, 261, 262, or 264.1, Sections 265 to 267, inclusive, Section 273a, 273d, 273.5, or 285, subdivisions (c), (d), (f), and (g) of Section 286, Section 288, subdivisions (c), (d), (f), and (g) of Section 288a, Section 288.5, 289, 289.5, 368, 451, 459, 470, 475, 484, or 484b, Sections 484d

to 484j, inclusive, or Section 487, 488, 496, 503, 518, or 666, unless any of the following applies:

(A) The person was convicted of a felony and has obtained a certificate of rehabilitation under Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 4852.01) of Title 6 of Part 3 of the Penal Code and the information or accusation against the person has been dismissed pursuant to Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code with regard to that felony.

(B) The person was convicted of a misdemeanor and the information or accusation against the person has been dismissed pursuant to Section 1203.4 or 1203.4a of the Penal Code.

(C) The person was convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor, but has previously disclosed the fact of each conviction to the department and the department has made a determination in accordance with law that the conviction does not disqualify the person.

(2) The application for licensure or renewal shall be denied if the criminal record of the person includes a conviction in another state for an offense that, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the offenses set forth in paragraph (1), unless evidence of rehabilitation comparable to the dismissal of a misdemeanor or a certificate of rehabilitation as set forth in subparagraph (A) or (B) of paragraph (1) is provided to the department.

(c) If the criminal record of a person described in subdivision (a) indicates any conviction other than a minor traffic violation or other than a conviction listed in subdivision (b), the department may deny the application for licensure or renewal. In determining whether or not to deny the application for licensure or renewal pursuant to this subdivision, the department shall take into consideration the following factors as evidence of good character and rehabilitation:

(1) The nature and seriousness of the offense under consideration and its relationship to their employment duties and responsibilities.

(2) Activities since conviction, including employment or participation in therapy or education, that would indicate changed behavior.

(3) The time that has elapsed since the commission of the conduct or offense referred to in paragraph (1) or (2) and the number of offenses.

(4) The extent to which the person has complied with any terms of parole, probation, restitution, or any other sanction lawfully imposed against the person.

(5) Any rehabilitation evidence, including character references, submitted by the person.

(6) Employment history and current employer recommendations.

(7) Circumstances surrounding the commission of the offense that would demonstrate the unlikelihood of repetition.

(8) The granting by the Governor of a full and unconditional pardon.

(9) A certificate of rehabilitation from a superior court.

(d) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require a criminal record check of a person receiving services in an intermediate care facility/developmentally disabled habilitative, intermediate care facility/developmentally disabled-nursing, or intermediate care facility/developmentally disabled.

(e) For purposes of this section, "direct care staff" means all facility staff who are trained and experienced in the care of persons with developmental disabilities and who directly provide program and nursing services to clients. Administrative and licensed personnel shall be considered direct care staff when directly providing program and nursing services to clients. Persons employed as consultants and acting as direct care staff shall be subject to the same requirements for a criminal record clearance as other direct care staff. However, the employing facility shall not be required to pay any costs associated with that criminal record clearance.

(f) Upon the employment of any person specified in subdivision (a), and prior to any contact with clients or residents, the facility shall ensure that electronic fingerprint images are submitted to the Department of Justice for the purpose of obtaining a criminal record check.

(g) The department shall develop procedures to ensure that any licensee, direct care staff, or certificate holder for whom a criminal record has been obtained pursuant to this section or Section 1338.5 or 1736 shall not be required to obtain multiple criminal record clearances.

(h) In addition to the persons who are not required to obtain multiple criminal record clearances pursuant to subdivision (g), a

person shall not be required to obtain a separate criminal record clearance if the person meets all of the following criteria:

(1) The person is employed as a consultant and acts as direct care staff.

(2) The person is a registered nurse, licensed vocational nurse, physical therapist, occupational therapist, or speech-language pathologist.

(3) The person has obtained a criminal record clearance as a prerequisite to holding a license or certificate to provide direct care services.

(4) The person has a license or certificate to provide direct care service that is in good standing with the appropriate licensing or certification board.

(5) The person is providing time-limited specialized clinical care or services.

(6) The person is not left alone with the client.

(i) If, at any time, the department determines that it does not meet the standards specified in clauses (i) and (ii) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (a), for a period of 90 consecutive days, the requirements in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) shall be suspended until the department determines that it has met those standards for a period of 90 consecutive days.

(j) During any period of time in which paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) is inoperative, facilities may allow newly hired facility administrators, managers, direct care staff, or any other adult living in the same location to have direct contact with clients or residents of the facility after those persons have submitted live-scan fingerprint images to the Department of Justice, and the department shall issue an AFL advising of this change in the statutory requirement.

(k) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department is authorized to provide an individual with a copy of his or her state or federal level criminal offender record information search response as provided to that department by the Department of Justice if the department has denied a criminal background clearance based on this information and the individual makes a written request to the department for a copy specifying an address to which it is to be sent. The state or federal level criminal offender record information search response shall not be modified or altered from its form or content as provided by the Department of Justice

and shall be provided to the address specified by the individual in his or her written request. The department shall retain a copy of the individual's written request and the response and date provided.

SEC. 154. Section 1265.6 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1265.6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a registered nurse within his or her scope of practice may require direct care staff in an intermediate care facility/developmentally disabled habilitative or an intermediate care facility/developmentally disabled-nursing to administer blood glucose testing for a person with developmental disabilities who resides at the facility and who has diabetes, if all of the following criteria are met:

(a) The blood glucose testing is specifically ordered by a physician. The results of the testing shall be reported to a registered nurse as specified in the physician's order.

(b) Prior to performing the blood glucose testing, the direct care staff shall be trained by the registered nurse to perform the testing and shall demonstrate proficiency in performing the testing while under the immediate supervision of the registered nurse.

(c) Training of direct care staff to perform blood glucose testing shall include, but not be limited to, an overview of the basic disease process of type I and type II diabetes, recognition of the signs and symptoms of hypoglycemia and hyperglycemia, the role of nutrition management in diabetes, diabetes and blood sugar control, long-term complications of diabetes, specific instruction in utilizing and the use of a specific over-the-counter glucose monitoring device that is approved by the FDA, including the cleaning and maintaining the accuracy of the client-specific glucose monitoring device, proper infection control practices related to the use of the device, including the handling and disposal of infectious waste, and recording accurate records of blood glucose readings in the client medical record. Records of blood glucose readings shall be reviewed by the facility registered nurse at least monthly.

(d) A signed written statement shall be prepared by the registered nurse that includes a certification of the direct care staff's competence to perform the testing and that identifies the clients residing at the facility for whom the certification is applicable. This certification shall be placed and maintained in the direct care staff's training record.

(e) The certification of competence to perform the blood glucose testing shall be procedure and client specific, and shall not be transferred between clients residing at the facility or other facilities.

(f) The registered nurse shall be responsible for monitoring and implementing the direct care staff blood glucose testing. At least once every three months, the registered nurse shall observe and confirm the direct care staff person's proficiency in performing the approved testing and shall update the certification. The proficiency determination shall include a determination by the registered nurse that the direct care staff remains proficient in demonstrating the specified method for cleaning and recalibration of the glucose monitoring device.

(g) A registered nurse shall provide continuing in-service education on the management of diabetes and the use of blood glucose monitoring devices not less than once per year and include documentation of the content of the training and the staff who were in attendance.

(h) A facility shall develop a written policy and procedure governing blood glucose testing for clients residing at the facility that shall include procedures for the training and competency assessment of direct care staff as required by this section.

(i) A facility shall have received a certificate of waiver pursuant to subdivision (n) of Section 483.460 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations prior to the implementation of blood glucose testing and shall retain a copy of the CLIA waiver for inspection by the department.

SEC. 155. Section 1266.9 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1266.9. There is hereby created in the State Treasury the State Department of Health Services, Licensing and Certification Program Fund. The revenue collected in accordance with Section 1266 shall be deposited in the State Department of Health Services, Licensing and Certification Program Fund and shall be available for expenditure, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to support the Licensing and Certification Program's operation. Interest earned on the funds in the State Department of Health Services, Licensing and Certification Program Fund shall be deposited as revenue into the account to support the Licensing and Certification Program's operation.

SEC. 156. Section 1279.1 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1279.1. (a) A health facility licensed pursuant to subdivision (a), (b), or (f) of Section 1250 shall report an adverse event to the department no later than five days after the adverse event has been detected, or, if that event is an ongoing urgent or emergent threat to the welfare, health, or safety of patients, personnel, or visitors, not later than 24 hours after the adverse event has been detected. Disclosure of individually identifiable patient information shall be consistent with applicable law.

(b) For purposes of this section, "adverse event" includes any of the following:

(1) Surgical events, including the following:

(A) Surgery performed on a wrong body part that is inconsistent with the documented informed consent for that patient. A reportable event under this subparagraph does not include a situation requiring prompt action that occurs in the course of surgery or a situation that is so urgent as to preclude obtaining informed consent.

(B) Surgery performed on the wrong patient.

(C) The wrong surgical procedure performed on a patient, which is a surgical procedure performed on a patient that is inconsistent with the documented informed consent for that patient. A reportable event under this subparagraph does not include a situation requiring prompt action that occurs in the course of surgery, or a situation that is so urgent as to preclude the obtaining of informed consent.

(D) Retention of a foreign object in a patient after surgery or other procedure, excluding objects intentionally implanted as part of a planned intervention and objects present prior to surgery that are intentionally retained.

(E) Death during or up to 24 hours after induction of anesthesia after surgery of a normal, healthy patient who has no organic, physiologic, biochemical, or psychiatric disturbance and for whom the pathologic processes for which the operation is to be performed are localized and do not entail a systemic disturbance.

(2) Product or device events, including the following:

(A) Patient death or serious disability associated with the use of a contaminated drug, device, or biologic provided by the health facility when the contamination is the result of generally detectable contaminants in the drug, device, or biologic, regardless of the source of the contamination or the product.

(B) Patient death or serious disability associated with the use or function of a device in patient care in which the device is used or functions other than as intended. For purposes of this subparagraph, "device" includes, but is not limited to, a catheter, drain, or other specialized tube, infusion pump, or ventilator.

(C) Patient death or serious disability associated with intravascular air embolism that occurs while being cared for in a facility, excluding deaths associated with neurosurgical procedures known to present a high risk of intravascular air embolism.

(3) Patient protection events, including the following:

(A) An infant discharged to the wrong person.

(B) Patient death or serious disability associated with patient disappearance for more than four hours, excluding events involving adults who have competency or decisionmaking capacity.

(C) A patient suicide or attempted suicide resulting in serious disability while being cared for in a health facility due to patient actions after admission to the health facility, excluding deaths resulting from self-inflicted injuries that were the reason for admission to the health facility.

(4) Care management events, including the following:

(A) A patient death or serious disability associated with a medication error, including, but not limited to, an error involving the wrong drug, the wrong dose, the wrong patient, the wrong time, the wrong rate, the wrong preparation, or the wrong route of administration, excluding reasonable differences in clinical judgment on drug selection and dose.

(B) A patient death or serious disability associated with a hemolytic reaction due to the administration of ABO-incompatible blood or blood products.

(C) Maternal death or serious disability associated with labor or delivery in a low-risk pregnancy while being cared for in a facility, including events that occur within 42 days postdelivery and excluding deaths from pulmonary or amniotic fluid embolism, acute fatty liver of pregnancy, or cardiomyopathy.

(D) Patient death or serious disability directly related to hypoglycemia, the onset of which occurs while the patient is being cared for in a health facility.

(E) Death or serious disability, including kernicterus, associated with failure to identify and treat hyperbilirubinemia in neonates during the first 28 days of life. For purposes of this subparagraph,

"hyperbilirubinemia" means bilirubin levels greater than 30 milligrams per deciliter.

(F) A Stage 3 or 4 ulcer, acquired after admission to a health facility, excluding progression from Stage 2 to Stage 3 if Stage 2 was recognized upon admission.

(G) A patient death or serious disability due to spinal manipulative therapy performed at the health facility.

(5) Environmental events, including the following:

(A) A patient death or serious disability associated with an electric shock while being cared for in a health facility, excluding events involving planned treatments, such as electric countershock.

(B) Any incident in which a line designated for oxygen or other gas to be delivered to a patient contains the wrong gas or is contaminated by a toxic substance.

(C) A patient death or serious disability associated with a burn incurred from any source while being cared for in a health facility.

(D) A patient death associated with a fall while being cared for in a health facility.

(E) A patient death or serious disability associated with the use of restraints or bedrails while being cared for in a health facility.

(6) Criminal events, including the following:

(A) Any instance of care ordered by or provided by someone impersonating a physician, nurse, pharmacist, or other licensed health care provider.

(B) The abduction of a patient of any age.

(C) The sexual assault on a patient within or on the grounds of a health facility.

(D) The death or significant injury of a patient or staff member resulting from a physical assault that occurs within or on the grounds of a facility.

(7) An adverse event or series of adverse events that cause the death or serious disability of a patient, personnel, or visitor.

(c) The facility shall inform the patient or the party responsible for the patient of the adverse event by the time the report is made.

(d) "Serious disability" means a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of an individual, or the loss of bodily function, if the impairment or loss lasts more than seven days or is still present at the time of discharge from an inpatient health care facility, or the loss of a body part.

(e) Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to change or otherwise affect hospital reporting requirements regarding reportable diseases or unusual occurrences, as provided in Section 70737 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations. The department shall review Section 70737 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations requiring hospitals to report "unusual occurrences" and consider amending the section to enhance the clarity and specificity of this hospital reporting requirement.

SEC. 157. Section 1568.09 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1568.09. It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this section to require the electronic fingerprint images of those individuals whose contact with residents of residential care facilities for persons with a chronic, life-threatening illness may pose a risk to the residents' health and safety.

It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this section to require the electronic fingerprint images of those individuals whose contact with community care clients may pose a risk to the clients' health and safety. An individual shall be required to obtain either a criminal record clearance or a criminal record exemption from the State Department of Social Services before his or her initial presence in a residential care facility for persons with chronic, life-threatening illness.

(a) (1) Before issuing a license to any person or persons to operate or manage a residential care facility, the department shall secure from an appropriate law enforcement agency a criminal record to determine whether the applicant or any other person specified in subdivision (b) has ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation or arrested for any crime specified in Section 290 of the Penal Code, for violating Section 245 or 273.5, subdivision (b) of Section 273a, or, prior to January 1, 1994, paragraph (2) of Section 273a of the Penal Code, or for any crime for which the department cannot grant an exemption if the person was convicted and the person has not been exonerated.

(2) The criminal history information shall include the full criminal record, if any, of those persons, and subsequent arrest information pursuant to Section 11105.2 of the Penal Code.

(3) The following shall apply to the criminal record information:

(A) If the State Department of Social Services finds that the applicant or any other person specified in subdivision (b) has been

convicted of a crime, other than a minor traffic violation, the application shall be denied, unless the director grants an exemption pursuant to subdivision (f).

(B) If the State Department of Social Services finds that the applicant or any other person specified in subdivision (b) is awaiting trial for a crime other than a minor traffic violation, the State Department of Social Services may cease processing the application until the conclusion of the trial.

(C) If no criminal record information has been recorded, the Department of Justice shall provide the applicant and the State Department of Social Services with a statement of that fact.

(D) If the State Department of Social Services finds after licensure that the licensee, or any other person specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b), has been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation, the license may be revoked, unless the director grants an exemption pursuant to subdivision (f).

(E) An applicant and any other person specified in subdivision (b) shall submit fingerprint images and related information to the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, through the Department of Justice, for a state and federal level criminal offender record information search, in addition to the search required by this subdivision. If an applicant meets all other conditions for licensure, except receipt of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's criminal history information for the applicant and persons listed in subdivision (b), the department may issue a license if the applicant and each person described by subdivision (b) has signed and submitted a statement that he or she has never been convicted of a crime in the United States, other than a traffic infraction as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 42001 of the Vehicle Code. If, after licensure, the department determines that the licensee or person specified in subdivision (b) has a criminal record, the license may be revoked pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 1568.082. The department may also suspend the license pending an administrative hearing pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1568.082.

(b) In addition to the applicant, this section shall be applicable to criminal convictions of the following persons:

(1) Adults responsible for administration or direct supervision of staff of the facility.

(2) Any person, other than a resident, residing in the facility.

(3) Any person who provides resident assistance in dressing, grooming, bathing, or personal hygiene. Any nurse assistant or home health aide meeting the requirements of Section 1338.5 or 1736.6, respectively, who is not employed, retained, or contracted by the licensee, and who has been certified or recertified on or after July 1, 1998, shall be deemed to meet the criminal record clearance requirements of this section. A certified nurse assistant and certified home health aide who will be providing client assistance and who falls under this exemption shall provide one copy of his or her current certification, prior to providing care, to the residential care facility for persons with chronic, life-threatening illness. The facility shall maintain the copy of the certification on file as long as care is being provided by the certified nurse assistant or certified home health aide at the facility. Nothing in this paragraph restricts the right of the department to exclude a certified nurse assistant or certified home health aide from a licensed residential care facility for persons with chronic, life-threatening illness pursuant to Section 1568.092.

(4) (A) Any staff person, volunteer, or employee who has contact with the residents.

(B) A volunteer shall be exempt from this subdivision if he or she is a relative, significant other, or close friend of a client receiving care in the facility and the volunteer does not provide direct care and supervision of residents. A volunteer who provides direct care and supervision shall be exempt if the volunteer is a resident's spouse, significant other, close friend, or family member and provides direct care and supervision to that resident only at the request of the resident. The department may define in regulations persons similar to those described in this subparagraph who may be exempt from the requirements of this subdivision.

(5) If the applicant is a firm, partnership, association, or corporation, the chief executive officer or other person serving in that capacity.

(6) Additional officers of the governing body of the applicant, or other persons with a financial interest in the applicant, as determined necessary by the department by regulation. The criteria used in the development of these regulations shall be based on the person's capability to exercise substantial influence over the operation of the facility.

(c) (1) (A) Subsequent to initial licensure, any person specified in subdivision (b) and not exempted from fingerprinting shall, as a condition to employment, residence, or presence in a residential care facility, be fingerprinted and sign a declaration under penalty of perjury regarding any prior criminal convictions. The licensee shall submit fingerprint images and related information to the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, through the Department of Justice, for a state and federal level criminal offender record information search, or to comply with paragraph (1) of subdivision (g), prior to the person's employment, residence, or initial presence in the residential care facility.

(B) These fingerprint images and related information shall be electronically submitted to the Department of Justice in a manner approved by the State Department of Social Services and the Department of Justice, for the purpose of obtaining a permanent set of fingerprints. A licensee's failure to submit fingerprint images and related information to the Department of Justice, or to comply with paragraph (1) of subdivision (g), as required in this section, shall result in the citation of a deficiency and an immediate assessment of civil penalties in the amount of one hundred dollars ($100) per violation, per day for a maximum of five days, unless the violation is a second or subsequent violation within a 12-month period in which case the civil penalties shall be in the amount of one hundred dollars ($100) per violation for a maximum of 30 days, and shall be grounds for disciplining the licensee pursuant to Section 1568.082. The State Department of Social Services may assess civil penalties for continued violations as allowed in Section 1568.0822. The fingerprint images and related information shall then be submitted to the Department of Justice for processing. The licensee shall maintain and make available for inspection documentation of the individual's clearance or exemption.

(2) A violation of the regulations adopted pursuant to Section 1522.04 shall result in the citation of a deficiency and an immediate assessment of civil penalties in the amount of one hundred dollars ($100) per violation per day for a maximum of five days, unless the violation is a second or subsequent violation within a 12-month period in which case the civil penalties shall be in the amount of one hundred dollars ($100) per violation for a maximum of 30 days, and shall be grounds for disciplining the licensee pursuant

to Section 1568.082. The department may assess civil penalties for continued violations as permitted by Section 1568.0822.

(3) Within 14 calendar days of the receipt of the fingerprint images, the Department of Justice shall notify the State Department of Social Services of the criminal record information, as provided for in this subdivision. If no criminal record information has been recorded, the Department of Justice shall provide the licensee and the State Department of Social Services with a statement of that fact within 14 calendar days of receipt of the fingerprint images. If new fingerprint images are required for processing, the Department of Justice shall, within 14 calendar days from the date of receipt of the fingerprint images, notify the licensee that the fingerprint images were illegible. The Department of Justice shall notify the department, as required by Section 1522.04, and shall notify the licensee by mail within 14 days of electronic transmission of the fingerprint images to the Department of Justice, if the person has no criminal history record.

(4) Except for persons specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b), the licensee shall endeavor to ascertain the previous employment history of persons required to be fingerprinted under this subdivision. If it is determined by the State Department of Social Services, on the basis of the fingerprint images submitted to the Department of Justice, that the person has been convicted of a sex offense against a minor, an offense specified in Section 243.4, 273a, 273d, 273g, or 368 of the Penal Code, or a felony, the department shall notify the licensee to act immediately to terminate the person's employment, remove the person from the residential care facility, or bar the person from entering the residential care facility. The department may subsequently grant an exemption pursuant to subdivision (f). If the conviction was for another crime, except a minor traffic violation, the licensee shall, upon notification by the department, act immediately to either (A) terminate the person's employment, remove the person from the residential care facility, or bar the person from entering the residential care facility; or (B) seek an exemption pursuant to subdivision (f). The department shall determine if the person shall be allowed to remain in the facility until a decision on the exemption is rendered. A licensee's failure to comply with the department's prohibition of employment, contact with clients, or presence in the facility as required by this paragraph shall result

in a citation of deficiency and an immediate assessment of civil penalties by the department against the licensee, in the amount of one hundred dollars ($100) per violation, per day for a maximum of five days, unless the violation is a second or subsequent violation within a 12-month period in which case the civil penalties shall be in the amount of one hundred dollars ($100) per violation for a maximum of 30 days, and shall be grounds for disciplining the licensee pursuant to Section 1568.082.

(5) The department may issue an exemption on its own motion pursuant to subdivision (f) if the person's criminal history indicates that the person is of good character based on the age, seriousness, and frequency of the conviction or convictions. The department, in consultation with interested parties, shall develop regulations to establish the criteria to grant an exemption pursuant to this paragraph.

(6) Concurrently with notifying the licensee pursuant to paragraph (4), the department shall notify the affected individual of his or her right to seek an exemption pursuant to subdivision (f). The individual may seek an exemption only if the licensee terminates the person's employment or removes the person from the facility after receiving notice from the department pursuant to paragraph (4).

(d) (1) For purposes of this section or any other provision of this chapter, a conviction means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. Any action that the department is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, when the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of the sentence, notwithstanding a subsequent order pursuant to Sections 1203.4 and 1203.4a of the Penal Code permitting that person to withdraw his or her plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information, or indictment. For purposes of this chapter, the record of a conviction, or a copy thereof certified by the clerk of the court or by a judge of the court in which the conviction occurred, shall be conclusive evidence of the conviction. For purposes of this section or any other provision of this chapter, the arrest disposition report certified by the Department of Justice, or documents admissible in a criminal action

pursuant to Section 969b of the Penal Code, shall be prima facie evidence of the conviction, notwithstanding any other provision of law prohibiting the admission of these documents in a civil or administrative action.

(2) For purposes of this section or any other provision of this chapter, the department shall consider criminal convictions from another state or federal court as if the criminal offense was committed in this state.

(e) The State Department of Social Services may not use a record of arrest to deny, revoke, or terminate any application, license, employment, or residence unless the department investigates the incident and secures evidence, whether or not related to the incident of arrest, that is admissible in an administrative hearing to establish conduct by the person that may pose a risk to the health and safety of any person who is or may become a client. The State Department of Social Services is authorized to obtain any arrest or conviction records or reports from any law enforcement agency as necessary to the performance of its duties to inspect, license, and investigate community care facilities and individuals associated with a community care facility.

(f) (1) After review of the record, the director may grant an exemption from disqualification for a license as specified in paragraphs (1) and (4) of subdivision (a), or for employment, residence, or presence in a residential care facility as specified in paragraphs (4), (5), and (6) of subdivision (c) if the director has substantial and convincing evidence to support a reasonable belief that the applicant and the person convicted of the crime, if other than the applicant, are of such good character as to justify issuance of the license or special permit or granting an exemption for purposes of subdivision (c). However, an exemption may not be granted pursuant to this subdivision if the conviction was for any of the following offenses:

(A) An offense specified in Section 220, 243.4, or 264.1, subdivision (a) of Section 273a or, prior to January 1, 1994, paragraph (1) of Section 273a, Section 273d, 288, or 289, subdivision (a) of Section 290, or Section 368 of the Penal Code, or was a conviction of another crime against an individual specified in subdivision (c) of Section 667.5 of the Penal Code.

(B) A felony offense specified in Section 729 of the Business and Professions Code or Section 206 or 215, subdivision (a) of

Section 347, subdivision (b) of Section 417, or subdivision (a) of Section 451 of the Penal Code.

(2) The department may not prohibit a person from being employed or having contact with clients in a facility on the basis of a denied criminal record exemption request or arrest information unless the department complies with Section 1568.092.

(g) (1) For purposes of compliance with this section, the department may permit an individual to transfer a current criminal record clearance, as defined in subdivision (a), from one facility to another, as long as the criminal record clearance has been processed through a state licensing district office, and is being transferred to another facility licensed by a state licensing district office. The request shall be in writing to the department, and shall include a copy of the person's driver's license or valid identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, or a valid photo identification issued by another state or the United States government if the person is not a California resident. Upon request of the licensee, who shall enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope for this purpose, the department shall verify whether the individual has a clearance that can be transferred.

(2) The State Department of Social Services shall hold criminal record clearances in its active files for a minimum of two years after an employee is no longer employed at a licensed facility in order for the criminal record clearance to be transferred.

(h) If a licensee or facility is required by law to deny employment or to terminate employment of any employee based on written notification from the state department that the employee has a prior criminal conviction or is determined unsuitable for employment under Section 1568.092, the licensee or facility shall not incur civil liability or unemployment insurance liability as a result of that denial or termination.

(i) (1) The Department of Justice shall charge a fee sufficient to cover its cost in providing services to comply with the 14-day requirement contained in subdivision (c) for provision to the department of criminal record information.

(2) Paragraph (1) shall cease to be implemented when the department adopts emergency regulations pursuant to Section 1522.04, and shall become inoperative when permanent regulations are adopted under that section.

(j) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department may provide an individual with a copy of his or her state or federal level criminal offender record information search response as provided to that department by the Department of Justice if the department has denied a criminal background clearance based on this information and the individual makes a written request to the department for a copy specifying an address to which it is to be sent. The state or federal level criminal offender record information search response shall not be modified or altered from its form or content as provided by the Department of Justice and shall be provided to the address specified by the individual in his or her written request. The department shall retain a copy of the individual's written request and the response and date provided.

SEC. 158. Section 1575.7 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1575.7. (a) (1) The State Department of Health Services, prior to issuing a new license, shall obtain a criminal record clearance for the administrator, program director, and fiscal officer of the proposed adult day health care center. The department shall obtain the criminal record clearances each time these positions are to be filled. When the conditions set forth in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 1265.5, subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 1338.5, and paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 1736.6 are met, the licensing and certification program shall issue an All Facilities Letter (AFL) informing facility licensees. After the AFL is issued, facilities shall not allow newly hired administrators, program directors, and fiscal officers to have direct contact with clients or residents of the facility prior to completion of the criminal record clearance. A criminal record clearance shall be complete when the department has obtained the person's criminal offender record information search response from the Department of Justice and has determined that the person is not disqualified from engaging in the activity for which clearance is required.

(2) The criminal record clearance shall require the administrator, program director, and fiscal officer to submit electronic fingerprint images to the Department of Justice.

(3) An applicant and any other person specified in this subdivision, as part of the background clearance process, shall provide information as to whether or not the person has any prior

criminal convictions, has had any arrests within the past 12-month period, or has any active arrests, and shall certify that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the information provided is true. This requirement is not intended to duplicate existing requirements for individuals who are required to submit fingerprint images as part of a criminal background clearance process. Every applicant shall provide information on any prior administrative action taken against him or her by any federal, state, or local government agency and shall certify that, to the best of his or her knowledge, the information provided is true. An applicant or other person required to provide information pursuant to this section that knowingly or willfully makes false statements, representations, or omissions may be subject to administrative action, including, but not limited to, denial of his or her application or exemption or revocation of any exemption previously granted.

(b) A past conviction of any crime, especially any crime involving misuse of funds or involving physical abuse shall, in the discretion of the department, be grounds for denial of the license, and shall be grounds to prohibit the person from providing services in an adult day health care center.

(c) Suspension of the applicant from the Medi-Cal program or prior violations of statutory provisions or regulations relating to licensure of a health facility, community care facility, or clinic shall also be grounds for a denial of licensure, where determined by the state department to indicate a substantial probability that the applicant will not comply with this chapter and regulations adopted hereunder.

(d) No applicant which is licensed as a health facility, community care facility, or clinic may be issued a license for an adult day health care center while there exists a subsisting, uncorrected violation of the statutes or regulations relating to such licensure.

(e) The department shall develop procedures to ensure that any licensee, direct care staff, or certificate holder for whom a criminal record has been obtained pursuant to this section or Section 1265.5 or 1736 shall not be required to obtain multiple criminal record clearances.

(f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department may provide an individual with a copy of his or her state or federal level criminal offender record information search response as

provided to that department by the Department of Justice if the department has denied a criminal background clearance based on this information and the individual makes a written request to the department for a copy specifying an address to which it is to be sent. The state or federal level criminal offender record information search response shall not be modified or altered from its form or content as provided by the Department of Justice and shall be provided to the address specified by the individual in his or her written request. The department shall retain a copy of the individual's written request and the response and date provided.

SEC. 159. Section 1597.46 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1597.46. All of the following shall apply to large family day care homes:

(a) A city, county, or city and county shall not prohibit large family day care homes on lots zoned for single-family dwellings, but shall do one of the following:

(1) Classify these homes as a permitted use of residential property for zoning purposes.

(2) Grant a nondiscretionary permit to use a lot zoned for a single-family dwelling to any large family day care home that complies with local ordinances prescribing reasonable standards, restrictions, and requirements concerning spacing and concentration, traffic control, parking, and noise control relating to those homes, and complies with subdivision (e) and any regulations adopted by the State Fire Marshal pursuant to that subdivision. Any noise standards shall be consistent with local noise ordinances implementing the noise element of the general plan and shall take into consideration the noise level generated by children. The permit issued pursuant to this paragraph shall be granted by the zoning administrator, or if there is no zoning administrator by the person or persons designated by the planning agency to grant these permits, upon the certification without a hearing.

(3) Require any large family day care home to apply for a permit to use a lot zoned for single-family dwellings. The zoning administrator, or if there is no zoning administrator, the person or persons designated by the planning agency to handle the use permits, shall review and decide the applications. The use permit shall be granted if the large family day care home complies with

local ordinances, if any, prescribing reasonable standards, restrictions, and requirements concerning the following factors: spacing and concentration, traffic control, parking, and noise control relating to those homes, and complies with subdivision (e) and any regulations adopted by the State Fire Marshal pursuant to that subdivision. Any noise standards shall be consistent with local noise ordinances implementing the noise element of the general plan and shall take into consideration the noise levels generated by children. The local government shall process any required permit as economically as possible.

Fees charged for review shall not exceed the costs of the review and permit process. An applicant may request a verification of fees, and the city, county, or city and county shall provide the applicant with a written breakdown within 45 days of the request. Beginning July 1, 2007, the application form for large family day care home permits shall include a statement of the applicant's right to request the written fee verification.

Not less than 10 days prior to the date on which the decision will be made on the application, the zoning administrator or person designated to handle the use permits shall give notice of the proposed use by mail or delivery to all owners shown on the last equalized assessment roll as owning real property within a 100-foot radius of the exterior boundaries of the proposed large family day care home. A hearing on the application for a permit issued pursuant to this paragraph shall not be held before a decision is made unless a hearing is requested by the applicant or other affected person. The applicant or other affected person may appeal the decision. The appellant shall pay the cost, if any, of the appeal.

(b) In connection with any action taken pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (a), a city, county, or city and county shall do all of the following:

(1) Upon the request of an applicant, provide a list of the permits and fees that are required by the city, county, or city and county, including information about other permits that may be required by other departments in the city, county, or city and county, or by other public agencies. The city, county, or city and county shall, upon request of any applicant, also provide information about the anticipated length of time for reviewing and processing the permit application.

(2) Upon the request of an applicant, provide information on the breakdown of any individual fees charged in connection with the issuance of the permit.

(3) If a deposit is required to cover the cost of the permit, provide information to the applicant about the estimated final cost to the applicant of the permit, and procedures for receiving a refund from the portion of the deposit not used.

(c) A large family day care home shall not be subject to the provisions of Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code.

(d) Use of a single-family dwelling for the purposes of a large family day care home shall not constitute a change of occupancy for purposes of Part 1.5 (commencing with Section 17910) of Division 13 (State Housing Law), or for purposes of local building and fire codes.

(e) Large family day care homes shall be considered as single-family residences for the purposes of the State Uniform Building Standards Code and local building and fire codes, except with respect to any additional standards specifically designed to promote the fire and life safety of the children in these homes adopted by the State Fire Marshal pursuant to this subdivision. The State Fire Marshal shall adopt separate building standards specifically relating to the subject of fire and life safety in large family day care homes which shall be published in Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations. These standards shall apply uniformly throughout the state and shall include, but not be limited to: (1) the requirement that a large family day care home contain a fire extinguisher or smoke detector device, or both, which meets standards established by the State Fire Marshal; (2) specification as to the number of required exits from the home; and (3) specification as to the floor or floors on which day care may be provided. Enforcement of these provisions shall be in accordance with Sections 13145 and 13146. No city, county, city and county, or district shall adopt or enforce any building ordinance or local rule or regulation relating to the subject of fire and life safety in large family day care homes which is inconsistent with those standards adopted by the State Fire Marshal, except to the extent the building ordinance or local rule or regulation applies to single-family residences in which day care is not provided.

(f) The State Fire Marshal shall adopt the building standards required in subdivision (d) and any other regulations necessary to implement this section.

SEC. 160. Section 1604.6 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

1604.6. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in order to provide umbilical cord blood banking storage services, a blood bank shall be licensed pursuant to this chapter. Any additional standards for blood banks to store umbilical cord blood may be implemented by the department through the adoption of regulations.

(b) (1) The department may adopt emergency regulations to implement and make specific subdivision (a) in accordance with Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. For purposes of the Administrative Procedure Act, the adoption of regulations shall be deemed an emergency and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, or general welfare.

(2) (A) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, these emergency regulations shall not be subject to the review and approval of the Office of Administrative Law. Notwithstanding Sections 11346.1 and 11349.6 of the Government Code, the department shall submit these regulations directly to the Secretary of State for filing.

(B) Emergency regulations adopted pursuant to this section shall become effective immediately upon filing by the Secretary of State, shall be subject to public hearing within 120 days of filing with the Secretary of State, and shall comply with Sections 11346.8 and 11346.9 of the Government Code, or shall be repealed by the department.

(3) The Office of Administrative Law shall provide for the printing and publication of emergency regulations adopted pursuant to this section in the California Code of Regulations.

(4) Notwithstanding Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, and subject to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2), the emergency regulations adopted pursuant to this subdivision shall not be

repealed by the Office of Administrative Law and shall remain in effect until revised or repealed by the department.

SEC. 161. Section 11162.1 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

11162.1. (a) The prescription forms for controlled substances shall be printed with the following features:

(1) A latent, repetitive "void" pattern shall be printed across the entire front of the prescription blank; if a prescription is scanned or photocopied, the word "void" shall appear in a pattern across the entire front of the prescription.

(2) A watermark shall be printed on the backside of the prescription blank; the watermark shall consist of the words "California Security Prescription."

(3) A chemical void protection that prevents alteration by chemical washing.

(4) A feature printed in thermo-chromic ink.

(5) An area of opaque writing so that the writing disappears if the prescription is lightened.

(6) A description of the security features included on each prescription form.

(7) (A) Six quantity check off boxes shall be printed on the form and the following quantities shall appear:

1–24
25–49
50–74
75–100
101–150
151 and over.

(B) In conjunction with the quantity boxes, a space shall be provided to designate the units referenced in the quantity boxes when the drug is not in tablet or capsule form.

(8) Prescription blanks shall contain a statement printed on the bottom of the prescription blank that the "Prescription is void if the number of drugs prescribed is not noted."

(9) The preprinted name, category of licensure, license number, federal controlled substance registration number of the prescribing practitioner.

(10) Check boxes shall be printed on the form so that the prescriber may indicate the number of refills ordered.

(11) The date of origin of the prescription.

(12) A check box indicating the prescriber's order not to substitute.

(13) An identifying number assigned to the approved security printer by the Department of Justice.

(14) (A) A check box by the name of each prescriber when a prescription form lists multiple prescribers.

(B) Each prescriber who signs the prescription form shall identify himself or herself as the prescriber by checking the box by his or her name.

(b) Each batch of controlled substance prescription forms shall have the lot number printed on the form and each form within that batch shall be numbered sequentially beginning with the numeral one.

(c) (1) A prescriber designated by a licensed health care facility, a clinic specified in Section 1200, or a clinic specified in subdivision (a) of Section 1206 that has 25 or more physicians or surgeons may order controlled substance prescription forms for use by prescribers when treating patients in that facility without the information required in paragraph (9) of subdivision (a) or paragraph (3) of this subdivision.

(2) Forms ordered pursuant to this subdivision shall have the name, category of licensure, license number, and federal controlled substance registration number of the designated prescriber and the name, address, category of licensure, and license number of the licensed health care facility the clinic specified in Section 1200, or the clinic specified in subdivision (a) of Section 1206 that has 25 or more physicians or surgeons preprinted on the form.

(3) Forms ordered pursuant to this section shall not be valid prescriptions without the name, category of licensure, license number, and federal controlled substance registration number of the prescriber on the form.

(4) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the designated prescriber shall maintain a record of the prescribers to whom the controlled substance prescription forms are issued, that shall include the name, category of licensure, license number, federal controlled substance registration number, and quantity of controlled substance prescription forms issued to each prescriber. The record shall be maintained in the health facility for three years.

(B) Forms ordered pursuant to this subdivision that are printed by a computerized prescription generation system shall not be

subject to subparagraph (A) or paragraph (7) of subdivision (a). Forms printed pursuant to this subdivision that are printed by a computerized prescription generation system may contain the prescriber's name, category of professional licensure, license number, federal controlled substance registration number, and the date of the prescription.

(d) This section shall become operative on July 1, 2004.

SEC. 162. Section 11592 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

11592. Any person who, on or after the effective date of this section is discharged or paroled from a jail, prison, school, road camp, or other institution where he or she was confined because of the commission or attempt to commit one of the offenses described in Section 11590 shall, prior to such discharge, parole, or release, be informed of his or her duty to register under that section by the official in charge of the place of confinement and the official shall require the person to read and sign such form as may be required by the Department of Justice, stating that the duty of the person to register under this section has been explained to him or her. The official in charge of the place of confinement shall obtain the address where the person expects to reside upon his or her discharge, parole, or release and shall report that address to the Department of Justice. The official in charge of the place of confinement shall give one copy of the form to the person, and shall send two copies to the Department of Justice, which, in turn, shall forward one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency having local jurisdiction where the person expects to reside upon his or her discharge, parole, or release.

SEC. 163. Section 11773.1 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

11773.1. (a) The department may accept voluntary contributions, in cash or in-kind, to pay for the costs of implementing the program under this article. Voluntary contributions shall be deposited into the California Methamphetamine Abuse Prevention Account, which is hereby created in the State Treasury. Only private moneys, donated for the purposes of this article, may be deposited into the account. Moneys in the account are hereby appropriated to the department for the purposes of this article for the 2006–07 fiscal year. The

Legislature may appropriate moneys in the account for subsequent fiscal years in the annual Budget Act or any other act.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), during the 2006–07 fiscal year, the department shall develop and implement the campaign established under this article only upon a determination by the Director of Finance that sufficient private donations have been collected and deposited into the California Methamphetamine Abuse Prevention Account. If sufficient funds are collected and deposited, the Director of Finance shall file a written notice thereof with the Secretary of State.

(c) Except as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 11773.2, for purposes of this article, "sufficient private donations" means funds in the amount of at least twelve million dollars ($12,000,000).

SEC. 164. Section 18080.5 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

18080.5. (a) A numbered report of sale, lease, or rental form issued by the department shall be submitted each time the following transactions occur by or through a dealer:

(1) Whenever a manufactured home, mobilehome, or commercial coach previously registered pursuant to this part is sold, leased with an option to buy, or otherwise transferred.

(2) Whenever a manufactured home, mobilehome, or commercial coach not previously registered in this state is sold, rented, leased, leased with an option to buy, or otherwise transferred.

(b) The numbered report of sale, lease, or rental forms shall be used and distributed in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

(1) A copy of the form shall be delivered to the purchaser.

(2) All fees and penalties due for the transaction that were required to be reported with the report of sale, lease, or rental form shall be paid to the department within 10 calendar days from the date the transaction is completed, as specified by subdivision (e). Penalties due for noncompliance with this paragraph shall be paid by the dealer. The dealer shall not charge the consumer for those penalties.

(3) Notice of the registration or transfer of a manufactured home or mobilehome shall be reported pursuant to subdivision (d).

(4) The original report of sale, lease, or rental form, together with all required documents to report the transaction or make application to register or transfer a manufactured home, mobilehome, or commercial coach, shall be forwarded to the department. Any application shall be submitted within 10 calendar days from the date the transaction was required to be reported, as defined by subdivision (e).

(c) A manufactured home, mobilehome, or commercial coach displaying a copy of the report of sale, lease, or rental may be occupied without registration decals or registration card until the registration decals and registration card are received by the purchaser.

(d) In addition to the other requirements of this section, every dealer upon transferring by sale, lease, or otherwise any manufactured home or mobilehome shall, not later than the 10th calendar day thereafter, not counting the date of sale, give written notice of the transfer to the assessor of the county where the manufactured home or mobilehome is to be installed. The written notice shall be upon forms provided by the department containing any information that the department may require, after consultation with the assessors. Filing of a copy of the notice with the assessor in accordance with this section shall be in lieu of filing a change of ownership statement pursuant to Sections 480 and 482 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(e) Except for transactions subject to Section 18035.26, for purposes of this section, a transaction by or through a dealer shall be deemed completed and consummated and any fees and the required report of sale, lease, or rental are due when any of the following occurs:

(1) The purchaser of any commercial coach has signed a purchase contract or security agreement or paid any purchase price, the lessee of a new commercial coach has signed a lease agreement or lease with an option to buy or paid any purchase price, or the lessee of a used commercial coach has either signed a lease with an option to buy or paid any purchase price, and the purchaser or lessee has taken physical possession or delivery of the commercial coach.

(2) For sales subject to Section 18035, when all the amounts other than escrow fees and amounts for uninstalled or undelivered accessories are disbursed from the escrow account.

(3) For sales subject to Section 18035.2, when the installation is complete and a certificate of occupancy is issued.

SEC. 165. Section 38505 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

38505. For the purposes of this division, the following terms have the following meanings:

(a) "Allowance" means an authorization to emit, during a specified year, up to one ton of carbon dioxide equivalent.

(b) "Alternative compliance mechanism" means an action undertaken by a greenhouse gas emission source that achieves the equivalent reduction of greenhouse gas emissions over the same time period as a direct emission reduction, and that is approved by the state board. "Alternative compliance mechanism" includes, but is not limited to, a flexible compliance schedule, alternative control technology, a process change, or a product substitution.

(c) "Carbon dioxide equivalent" means the amount of carbon dioxide by weight that would produce the same global warming impact as a given weight of another greenhouse gas, based on the best available science, including from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

(d) "Cost-effective" or "cost-effectiveness" means the cost per unit of reduced emissions of greenhouse gases adjusted for its global warming potential.

(e) "Direct emission reduction" means a greenhouse gas emission reduction action made by a greenhouse gas emission source at that source.

(f) "Emissions reduction measure" means programs, measures, standards, and alternative compliance mechanisms authorized pursuant to this division, applicable to sources or categories of sources, that are designed to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases.

(g) "Greenhouse gas" or "greenhouse gases" includes all of the following gases: carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, hydrofluorocarbons, perfluorocarbons, and sulfur hexafluoride.

(h) "Greenhouse gas emissions limit" means an authorization, during a specified year, to emit up to a level of greenhouse gases specified by the state board, expressed in tons of carbon dioxide equivalents.

(i) "Greenhouse gas emission source" or "source" means any source, or category of sources, of greenhouse gas emissions whose emissions are at a level of significance, as determined by the state

board, that its participation in the program established under this division will enable the state board to effectively reduce greenhouse gas emissions and monitor compliance with the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit.

(j) "Leakage" means a reduction in emissions of greenhouse gases within the state that is offset by an increase in emissions of greenhouse gases outside the state.

(k) "Market-based compliance mechanism" means either of the following:

(1) A system of market-based declining annual aggregate emissions limitations for sources or categories of sources that emit greenhouse gases.

(2) Greenhouse gas emissions exchanges, banking, credits, and other transactions, governed by rules and protocols established by the state board, that result in the same greenhouse gas emission reduction, over the same time period, as direct compliance with a greenhouse gas emission limit or emission reduction measure adopted by the state board pursuant to this division.

(*l*) "State board" means the State Air Resources Board.

(m) "Statewide greenhouse gas emissions" means the total annual emissions of greenhouse gases in the state, including all emissions of greenhouse gases from the generation of electricity delivered to and consumed in California, accounting for transmission and distribution line losses, whether the electricity is generated in state or imported. Statewide emissions shall be expressed in tons of carbon dioxide equivalents.

(n) "Statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit" or "statewide emissions limit" means the maximum allowable level of statewide greenhouse gas emissions in 2020, as determined by the state board pursuant to Part 3 (commencing with Section 38550).

SEC. 166. Section 43869 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

43869. (a) The state board shall, no later than July 1, 2008, develop and, after at least two public workshops, adopt hydrogen fuel regulations to ensure the following:

(1) That state funding for the production and use of hydrogen fuel, as described in the California Hydrogen Highway Blueprint Plan, contributes to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, criteria air pollutant emissions, and toxic air contaminant emissions. The regulations shall, at a minimum, do all of the following:

(A) Require that, on a statewide basis, well-to-wheel emissions of greenhouse gases for the average hydrogen-powered vehicle fueled by hydrogen from fueling stations that receive state funds are at least 30 percent lower than emissions for the average new gasoline vehicle in California when measured on a per-mile basis.

(B) (i) Require that, on a statewide basis, no less than 33.3 percent of the hydrogen produced for, or dispensed by, fueling stations that receive state funds be made from eligible renewable energy resources as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 399.12 of the Public Utilities Code.

(ii) If the state board determines that there is insufficient availability of hydrogen fuel from eligible renewable resources to meet the 33.3-percent requirement of this clause, the state board may, after at least one public workshop and on a one-time basis, reduce the requirement by an amount, not to exceed 10 percentage points, that the state board determines is necessary to result in a renewable percentage requirement for hydrogen fuel that is achievable.

(iii) If the executive officer of the state board determines that it is not feasible for a public transit operator to use hydrogen fuel made from eligible renewable resources, the executive officer may exempt the operator from this clause for a period of not more than five years and may extend the exemption for up to five additional years.

(C) Prohibit hydrogen fuel producers from counting as a renewable energy resource, pursuant to clause (i) of subparagraph (B), any electricity produced from sources previously procured by a retail seller and verifiably counted by the retail seller towards meeting the renewables portfolio standard obligation, as required by Article 16 (commencing with Section 399.11) of Chapter 2.3 of Part 1 of Division 1 of the Public Utilities Code.

(D) Require that all hydrogen fuel dispensed from fueling stations that receive state funds be generated in a manner so that local well-to-tank emissions of nitrogen oxides plus reactive organic gases are at least 50 percent lower than well-to-tank emissions of the average motor gasoline sold in California when measured on an energy equivalent basis.

(E) Require that well-to-tank emissions of relevant toxic air contaminants for hydrogen fuel dispensed from fueling stations that receive state funds be reduced to the maximum extent feasible

at each site when compared to well-to-tank emissions of toxic air contaminants of the average motor gasoline fuel on an energy-equivalent basis. In no case shall the toxic emissions be greater than the emissions from gasoline on an energy equivalent basis.

(F) Require that providers of hydrogen fuel for transportation in the state report to the state board the annual mass of hydrogen fuel dispensed and the method by which the dispensed hydrogen was produced and delivered.

(G) Authorize the state board, after at least one public workshop, to grant authority to the executive officer of the state board to exempt from this paragraph, for a period of no more than five years, hydrogen dispensing facilities constructed for small demonstration or temporary purposes. The exemption may be extended on a case-by-case basis upon a finding that the extension will not harm public health. The executive officer may limit the total number of exemptions by geographic region, including by air district, but the average annual mass of hydrogen dispensed from exempted facilities shall not exceed 10 percent of the total mass of hydrogen fuel dispensed for transportation purposes in the state.

(2) That, in any year immediately following a 12-month period in which the mass of hydrogen fuel dispensed for transportation purposes in California exceeds 3,500 metric tons, the production and direct use of hydrogen fuels for motor vehicles in the state, including, but not limited to, any hydrogen highway network that is developed pursuant to the California Hydrogen Highway Blueprint Plan, contributes to a reduced dependence on petroleum, as well as reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, criteria air pollutant emissions, and toxic air contaminant emissions. For the purpose of this paragraph, the regulations, at a minimum, shall do all of the following:

(A) Require that, on a statewide basis, well-to-wheel emissions of greenhouse gases for the average hydrogen-powered vehicle in California are at least 30 percent lower than emissions for the average new gasoline vehicle in California when measured on a per-mile basis.

(B) Require that, on a statewide basis, no less than 33.3 percent of the hydrogen produced or dispensed in California for motor vehicles be made from eligible renewable energy resources as

defined in subdivision (a) of Section 399.12 of the Public Utilities Code.

(C) Prohibit hydrogen fuel producers from counting as a renewable energy resource, for the purposes of subparagraph (B), any electricity produced from sources previously procured by a retail seller and verifiably counted by the retail seller towards meeting the requirements established by the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program, as set forth in Article 16 (commencing with Section 399.11) of Chapter 2.3 of Part 1 of Division 1 of the Public Utilities Code.

(D) Require that all hydrogen fuel dispensed in California for motor vehicles be generated in a manner so that local well-to-tank emissions of nitrogen oxides plus reactive organic gases are at least 50 percent lower than well-to-tank emissions of the average motor gasoline sold in California when measured on an energy equivalent basis.

(E) Require that well-to-tank emissions of relevant toxic air contaminants from hydrogen fuel produced or dispensed in California be reduced to the maximum extent feasible at each site when compared to well-to-tank emissions of toxic air contaminants of the average motor gasoline fuel on an energy-equivalent basis. In no case shall the toxic emissions from hydrogen fuel be greater than the toxic emissions from gasoline on an energy-equivalent basis.

(F) Authorize the state board, after at least one public workshop, to grant authority to the executive officer of the state board to exempt from this paragraph, for a period of no more than five years, hydrogen dispensing facilities that dispense an average of no more than 100 kilograms of hydrogen fuel per month. The exemption may be extended on a case-by-case basis by the executive officer upon a finding that the extension will not harm public health. The executive officer may limit the total number of exemptions by geographic region, including by air district, but the average annual mass of hydrogen dispensed statewide from exempted facilities shall not exceed 10 percent of the total mass of hydrogen fuel dispensed for transportation purposes in the state.

(G) Authorize the state board, if it determines that reporting is necessary to facilitate enforcement of the requirements of this paragraph, to require that providers of hydrogen fuel for transportation in the state report to the state board the annual mass

of hydrogen fuel dispensed and the method by which the dispensed hydrogen was produced and delivered.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (2) of subdivision (a), the state board may increase the 3,500-metric-ton threshold in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) by no more than 1,500 metric tons if at least one of the following requirements is met:

(1) The 3,500-metric-ton threshold is first met prior to January 1, 2011.

(2) The state board determines that the 3,500-metric-ton threshold has been met primarily due to hydrogen fuel consumed in heavy duty vehicles.

(3) The state board determines at a public hearing that increasing the threshold would accelerate the deployment of hydrogen fuel cell vehicles in the state.

(c) The state board, in consultation with other relevant agencies as appropriate, shall review the renewable resource requirements adopted pursuant to this section every four years and shall increase the renewable resource percentage requirements if it determines that it is technologically feasible to do so and will not substantially hinder the development of hydrogen as a transportation fuel in a manner that is consistent with this section.

(d) The state board shall review the emission requirements adopted pursuant to this section every four years and shall strengthen the requirements if it determines it is technologically feasible to do so and will not substantially hinder the development of hydrogen as a transportation fuel in a manner that is otherwise consistent with this section.

(e) The state board shall produce and periodically update a handbook to inform and educate motor vehicle manufacturers, hydrogen fuel producers, hydrogen service station operators, and other interested parties on how to comply with this section. This handbook shall be made available on the agency's Internet Web site on or before July 1, 2009.

(f) The Secretary for Environmental Protection shall convene the California Environmental Protection Agency's Environmental Justice Advisory Committee at least once annually to solicit the committee's comments on the production and distribution of hydrogen fuel in the state.

(g) The Secretary for Environmental Protection, in consultation with the state board, shall recommend to the Legislature and the

Governor, on or before January 1, 2010, incentives that could be offered to businesses within the hydrogen fuel industry and consumers to spur the development of clean sources of hydrogen fuel.

(h) Unless the context requires otherwise, the definitions set forth in this subdivision govern the construction of this section:

(1) "Well-to-tank emissions" means emissions resulting from production of a fuel, including resource extraction, initial processing, transport, fuel production, distribution and marketing, and delivery into the fuel tank of a consumer vehicle.

(2) "Well-to-wheel emissions" means emissions resulting from production of a fuel, including resource extraction, initial processing, transport, fuel production, distribution and marketing, and delivery and use in a consumer vehicle.

SEC. 167. Section 44525.6 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

44525.6. (a) Commencing in 2002, and annually thereafter, the authority shall submit a report to the Legislature regarding the loan program described in subdivision (g) of Section 44526 describing the total amount of loans issued pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 44526 in the previous calendar year, the amount of each loan issued, and a description of the programs awarded funding.

(b) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2012, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute that is enacted before January 1, 2012, deletes or extends that date.

SEC. 168. Section 53533 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

53533. (a) Moneys deposited in the fund from the sale of bonds pursuant to this part shall be allocated for expenditure in accordance with the following schedule:

(1) Nine hundred ten million dollars ($910,000,000) shall be transferred to the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Fund to be expended for the Multifamily Housing Program authorized by Chapter 6.7 (commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2, except for the following:

(A) Fifty million dollars ($50,000,000) shall be transferred to the Preservation Opportunity Fund and, notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, is continuously appropriated without regard to fiscal years for the preservation of at-risk housing

pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 50600) of Part 2.

(B) Twenty million dollars ($20,000,000) shall be used for nonresidential space for supportive services, including, but not limited to, job training, health services, and child care within, or immediately proximate to, projects to be funded under the Multifamily Housing Program. This funding shall be in addition to any applicable per-unit or project loan limits and may be in the form of a grant. Service providers shall ensure that services are available to project residents on a priority basis over the general public.

(C) Twenty-five million dollars ($25,000,000) shall be used for matching grants to local housing trust funds pursuant to Section 50843.

(D) Fifteen million dollars ($15,000,000) shall be used for student housing through the Multifamily Housing Program, subject to the following provisions:

(i) The department shall give first priority for projects on land owned by a University of California or California State University campus. Second priority shall be given to projects located within one mile of a University of California or California State University campus that is suffering from a severe shortage of housing and limited availability of developable land as determined by the department. Those determinations shall be set forth in the Notice of Funding Availability and shall not be subject to the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

(ii) All funds shall be matched on a one-to-one basis from private sources or by the University of California or California State University. For the purposes of this subparagraph, "University of California" includes the Hastings College of the Law.

(iii) Occupancy for the units shall be restricted to students enrolled on a full-time basis in the University of California or California State University.

(iv) Income eligibility pursuant to the Multifamily Housing Program shall be established by verification of the combined income of the student and his or her family.

(v) Any funds not used for this purpose within 24 months of the date that the funds are made available shall be awarded pursuant

to subdivision (a) for the Downtown Rebound Program as set forth in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 50898.1.

(E) Any funds not encumbered for the purposes set forth in this paragraph, except subparagraph (D), within 30 months of availability shall revert to the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Fund created by Section 50661 for general use in the Multifamily Housing Program.

(2) One hundred ninety-five million dollars ($195,000,000) shall be transferred to the Emergency Housing and Assistance Fund to be expended for the Emergency Housing and Assistance Program authorized by Chapter 11.5 (commencing with Section 50800) of Part 2.

(3) One hundred ninety-five million dollars ($195,000,000) shall be transferred to the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Fund to be expended for supportive housing projects under the Multifamily Housing Program authorized by Chapter 6.7 (commencing with Section 50675) of Part 2, to serve individuals and households moving from emergency shelters or transitional housing or those at risk of homelessness.

(4) Two hundred million dollars ($200,000,000) shall be transferred to the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Fund to be expended for farmworker housing programs authorized by Chapter 3.2 (commencing with Section 50517.5) of Part 2, except for the following:

(A) Twenty-five million dollars ($25,000,000) shall be used for projects that serve migratory agricultural workers as defined in subdivision (i) of Section 7602 of Title 25 of the California Code of Regulations. If, after July 1, 2003, funds remain after the approval of all feasible applications, the department shall be deemed an eligible recipient for the purposes of reconstructing migrant centers operated through the Office of Migrant Services pursuant to Chapter 8.5 (commencing with Section 50710) that would otherwise be scheduled for closure due to health or safety considerations or are in need of significant repairs to ensure the health and safety of the residents. Of the moneys allocated by this subparagraph, the department shall receive fifteen million dollars ($15,000,000) for these purposes subject to the following conditions and requirements:

(i) The amount available to the department as a recipient shall be limited to ten million seven hundred thousand dollars

($10,700,000) prior to September 1, 2006. The department may receive up to four million three hundred thousand dollars ($4,300,000) in additional funds after that date and prior to July 1, 2007, to the extent that unencumbered funds are available.

(ii) The department shall make at least eight million one hundred fifty-nine thousand dollars ($8,159,000) available for flexible loans and grants for projects that serve migratory agricultural workers pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 50517.10. These funds shall be available for encumbrance until September 1, 2006.

(iii) Any funds allocated by this subparagraph remaining unencumbered on July 1, 2007, shall revert for general use in the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program.

(B) Twenty million dollars ($20,000,000) shall be used for developments that also provide health services to the residents. Recipients of these funds shall be required to provide ongoing monitoring of funded developments to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program. Projects receiving funds through this allocation shall be ineligible for funding through the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program.

(C) Except as provided in subparagraph (A), funds not encumbered for the purposes set forth in this paragraph within 30 months of availability shall revert for general use in the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program.

(5) Two hundred five million dollars ($205,000,000) shall be transferred to the Self-Help Housing Fund. Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code and Section 50697.1, these funds are hereby continuously appropriated without regard to fiscal years to the department to be expended for the purposes of the CalHome Program authorized by Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 50650) of Part 2, except for the following:

(A) Seventy-five million dollars ($75,000,000) shall be transferred to the Building Equity and Growth in Neighborhoods Fund to be used for the Building Equity and Growth in Neighborhoods (BEGIN) Program pursuant to Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 50860) of Part 1.

(B) Five million dollars ($5,000,000) shall be used to provide grants to cities, counties, cities and counties, and nonprofit organizations to provide grants for lower income tenants with disabilities for the purpose of making exterior modifications to

rental housing in order to make that housing accessible to persons with disabilities. For the purposes of this subparagraph, "exterior modifications" includes modifications that are made to entryways or to common areas of the structure or property. The program provided for under this subparagraph shall not be subject to Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

(C) Ten million dollars ($10,000,000) shall be expended for construction management under the California Self-Help Housing Program pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 50696.

(D) Any funds not encumbered for the purposes set forth in this paragraph within 30 months of availability shall revert for general use in the CalHome Program.

(6) Five million dollars ($5,000,000) shall be transferred to the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Fund to be expended for capital expenditures in support of local code enforcement and compliance programs. This allocation shall not be subject to Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code. If the moneys allocated pursuant to this paragraph are not expended within three years after being transferred, the department may, in its discretion, transfer the moneys to the Housing Rehabilitation Loan Fund to be expended for the Multifamily Housing Program.

(7) Two hundred ninety million dollars ($290,000,000) shall be transferred to the Self-Help Housing Fund. Notwithstanding Section 50697.1, these funds are hereby continuously appropriated to the agency to be expended for the purposes of the California Homebuyer's Downpayment Assistance Program authorized by Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 51500) of Part 3, except for the following:

(A) Fifty million dollars ($50,000,000) shall be transferred to the School Facilities Fee Assistance Fund as provided by subdivision (a) of Section 51453 to be used for the Homebuyer Down Payment Assistance Program of 2002 established by Section 51451.5.

(B) Eighty-five million dollars ($85,000,000) shall be transferred to the California Housing Loan Insurance Fund to be used for purposes of Part 4 (commencing with Section 51600). The agency may transfer these moneys as often as quarterly in amounts that shall not exceed the dollar amount of new insurance written by

the agency during the preceding quarter for loans for the purchase of homes made to owner-occupant borrowers with incomes not exceeding 120 percent of the area median income, divided by the risk-to-capital ratio required for the maintenance of satisfactory credit ratings from nationally recognized credit rating services.

(C) (i) Twelve million five hundred thousand dollars ($12,500,000) shall be reserved for downpayment assistance to low-income first-time home buyers who, as documented to the agency by a nonprofit organization certified and funded to provide home ownership counseling by a federally funded national nonprofit corporation, are purchasing a residence in a community revitalization area targeted by the nonprofit organization and who have received home ownership counseling from the nonprofit organization. Community revitalization areas shall be limited to targeted neighborhoods identified by qualified nonprofit organizations as those neighborhoods in need of economic stimulation, renovation, and rehabilitation through efforts that include increased home ownership opportunities for low-income families.

(ii) Effective January 1, 2004, 50 percent of the funds available pursuant to clause (i) shall be available for downpayment assistance in an amount not to exceed 6 percent of the home sale price.

(iii) After 12 months of availability, if more than 50 percent of the funds set aside pursuant to clause (ii) have been encumbered, the agency shall discontinue that program and make all remaining funds available for downpayment assistance pursuant to clause (i). If, however, less than 50 percent of the funds allocated pursuant to clause (ii) are encumbered after that 12-month period, the agency may, at its sole discretion, either make all remaining funds provided pursuant to clause (i) available for the purpose of clause (ii), or may continue to implement clause (ii) until all of the funds allocated for that purpose as of January 1, 2004, have been encumbered.

(D) Twenty-five million dollars ($25,000,000) shall be used for downpayment assistance pursuant to Section 51505. After 18 months of availability, if the agency determines that the funds set aside pursuant to this section will not be utilized for purposes of Section 51505, these funds shall be available for the general use of the agency for the purposes of the California Homebuyer's

Downpayment Assistance Program, but may also continue to be available for the purposes of Section 51505.

(E) Funds not utilized for the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (B) and (C) within 30 months shall revert for general use in the California Homebuyer's Downpayment Assistance Program.

(8) One hundred million dollars ($100,000,000) shall be transferred to the Jobs Housing Improvement Account to be expended as capital grants to local governments for increasing housing pursuant to enabling legislation. If the enabling legislation fails to become law in the 2001–02 Regular Session of the Legislature, the specified allocation for this program shall be void and the funds shall revert for general use in the Multifamily Housing Program as specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a).

(b) No portion of the moneys allocated pursuant to this section may be expended for project operating costs, except that this section does not preclude expenditures for operating costs from reserves required to be maintained by or on behalf of the project sponsor.

(c) The Legislature may, from time to time, amend the provisions of law related to programs to which funds are, or have been, allocated pursuant to this section for the purpose of improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the program, or for the purpose of furthering the goals of the program.

(d) The Bureau of State Audits shall conduct periodic audits to ensure that bond proceeds are awarded in a timely fashion and in a manner consistent with this part, and that awardees of bond proceeds are using funds in compliance with applicable provisions of this part.

SEC. 169. Section 101965 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

101965. In developing the plan under Section 101963, the task force shall address all of the following issues:

(a) The following factors regarding the current health of the population of the county:

(1) The population served.

(2) The health status of each population.

(3) Key health conditions that need to be addressed.

(b) The following factors regarding the economic climate and its impact on health care:

(1) The characteristics of the regional economy.

(2) Health care and the regional economy.

(c) Expenditures on health care provided to low-income persons, including all of the following aspects, as related to Los Angeles County:

(1) The Medi-Cal program and the federal State Children's Health Insurance Program.

(2) The federal Medicare Program.

(3) Other tax-supported programs.

(4) Other public support of health care programs.

(5) Charity care.

(d) Health care providers serving low-income patients, including both of the following:

(1) The public system.

(2) The private system.

(e) Effectiveness of all of the following aspects of the public health care system:

(1) Systemwide priorities.

(2) The public health and communicable disease.

(3) Preventive care.

(4) Primary care.

(5) Specialty care.

(6) Emergency and trauma care.

(7) Inpatient care.

(8) Pharmacies.

(9) Gaps in the current system of care.

(10) Disease management.

(f) The following aspects of partnerships with academic medical institutions:

(1) History.

(2) Faculty contract.

(3) Medical staff leadership.

(4) Long-term planning issues.

(g) The following issues in system financing:

(1) Adequate leveraging of local resources.

(2) Maintenance of adequate revenue, local taxes, and taxpayer equity.

(3) Out-of-county care.

(4) Operational effectiveness.

(5) Financial management and information technology.

(6) Contracts for medical staff.

(7) Additional service opportunities.
(h) The health care workforce, as follows:
(1) Demographics.
(2) Trends.
(3) Critical shortage areas.
(4) Training and development.
(i) Physical plant and facility challenges for the system, specifically a master plan for capital investment.
(j) Potential provider partnerships with all of the following:
(1) Private hospitals.
(2) Children's hospitals.
(3) Federal Department of Veterans Affairs hospitals.
(4) Academic medical centers.
(5) Community primary care.
(6) Other health care agencies.
(k) System governance, including, but not limited to:
(1) The background of system governance.
(2) The role of local government.
(3) The role of the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services.
(4) The role of county health-related commissions.
(5) The role of the state government.
(6) The role of the federal government.

SEC. 169.5. Section 106780 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

106780. (a) Except as provided in Section 106790, no person may provide radon services for the general ~~pubic~~ *public*, or represent or advertise that he or she may provide radon services unless that person meets both of the following requirements:
(1) Successfully completes the National Radon Measurement Proficiency Program of the National Environmental Health Association or the National Radon Safety Board Certified Radon Professional Program.
(2) Submits to the department a copy of certificate demonstrating successful completion of either program.
(b) Persons certified to provide radon services shall successfully complete and submit to the department proof of completion of the National Radon Measurement Proficiency Program of the National Environmental Health Association or the National Radon Safety

Board Certified Radon Professional Program every two years after initial certification.

(c) A copy of the current certificate of completion shall be submitted to the department at least 14 days prior to conducting radon services within the state.

SEC. 170. Section 108680 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

108680. Unless the provisions or the context otherwise requires, these definitions, rules of construction, and general provisions shall govern the construction of this chapter. As used in this chapter:

(a) "Department" means the State Department of Health.

(b) "Household substance" means any substance that is customarily produced or distributed for sale for consumption or use, or customarily stored by individuals in or about the household and is one of the following:

(1) A hazardous substance as that term is defined in Section 108125.

(2) A food, drug, or cosmetic, as those terms are defined in Sections 109900, 109925, and 109935, that (A) is toxic, (B) is corrosive, (C) is an irritant, (D) is a strong sensitizer, (E) is flammable or combustible, or (F) generates pressure through decomposition, heat, or other means; if it may cause substantial personal injury or substantial illness during or as a proximate result of any customary or reasonably foreseeable handling or use, including reasonably foreseeable ingestion by children.

(3) A substance intended for use as fuel when stored in a portable container and used in the heating, cooking, or refrigeration system of a residential dwelling.

(c) "Package" means the immediate container or wrapping in which any household substance is contained for consumption, use, or storage by individuals in or about the household, and, for purposes of household substances, also means any outer container or wrapping used in the retail display of any such substance to consumers.

"Package" does not include the following:

(1) Any shipping container or wrapping used solely for the transportation of any household substance in bulk or in quantity to manufacturers, packers, or processors, or to wholesale or retail distributors thereof.

(2) Any shipping container or outer wrapping used by retailers to ship or deliver any household substance to consumers unless it is the only container or wrapping.

(d) "Special packaging" means packaging that is designed or constructed to be significantly difficult for children under five years of age to open or obtain a toxic or harmful amount of the substance contained therein within a reasonable time and not difficult for normal adults to use properly, but does not mean packaging that all such children cannot open or obtain a toxic or harmful amount of within a reasonable time.

(e) "Labeling" means all labels and other written, printed, or graphic matter upon any household substance or its package, or accompanying the substance.

(f) "Federal act" means the Poison Prevention Packaging Act of 1970 (15 U.S.C. Sec. 1471 et seq.).

SEC. 171. Section 109280 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

109280. (a) A standardized written summary in layperson's language and in a language understood by patients shall be approved by the department. The department may approve the use of an existing publication from a recognized cancer authority as the written summary. Commencing on January 1, 2003, and every three years thereafter, the department shall review its approval of the use of an existing publication from a recognized cancer authority as the written summary to ensure that the approved written summary comprises timely, new, and revised information regarding prostate cancer treatment options as the department determines is necessary. The written summary shall be printed or made available by the Medical Board of California to physicians and surgeons, concerning the advantages, disadvantages, risks, and descriptions of procedures with regard to medically viable and efficacious alternative methods of treatment of prostate cancer. Physicians and surgeons are urged to make the summary available to patients when appropriate.

(b) The department and the Medical Board of California shall each post this summary on its Internet Web site for public use.

(c) If the department updates this summary, it shall send the updated summary to the Medical Board of California and both the department and the Medical Board of California shall each post this updated summary on its Internet Web site.

SEC. 172. Section 110552 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

110552. (a) The department shall regulate candy to ensure that the candy is not adulterated.

(b) For the purposes of this chapter, "candy" means any confectionary intended for individual consumption that contains chili, tamarind, or any other ingredient identified as posing a health risk in regulations adopted by the office or department.

(c) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) "Office" means the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment.

(2) "Adulterated candy" means any candy with lead in excess of the naturally occurring level. Moreover, candy is adulterated if its wrapper or the ink on the wrapper contains lead in excess of standards which the office, in consultation with the department and the Attorney General, shall establish by July 1, 2006.

(3) "Naturally occurring level" of lead in candy shall be determined by regulations adopted by the office after consultation with the department and the Attorney General. For purposes of this section, the "naturally occurring level" of lead in candy is only naturally occurring to the extent that it is not avoidable by good agricultural, manufacturing, and procurement practices, or by other practices currently feasible. The producer and manufacturer of candy and candy ingredients shall at all times use quality control measures that reduce the natural chemical contaminants to the "lowest level currently feasible" as this term is used in subsection (c) of Section 110.110 of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations. The "naturally occurring level" of lead shall not include any lead in an ingredient resulting from agricultural equipment, fuels used on or around soils or crops, fertilizers, pesticides, or other materials that are applied to soils or crops or added to water used to irrigate soils or crops. The office shall determine the naturally occurring levels of lead in candy containing chili and tamarind no later than July 1, 2006. The office shall determine the naturally occurring levels of lead in candy containing other ingredients upon request by the department or the Attorney General, and in the absence of a request, when the office determines that the presence of the ingredient in candy may pose a health risk. Until the office adopts regulations determining the naturally

occurring level of lead, the Attorney General's written determination, if any, including any determination set forth in a consent judgment entered into by the Attorney General, of the naturally occurring level of lead in candy or in a candy ingredient shall be binding for purposes of this section.

(4) "Wrapper" means all packaging materials in contact with the candy, including, but not limited to, the paper cellophane, plastic container, stick handle, spoon, small pot (olla), and squeeze tube, or similar devices. "Wrapper" does not include any part of the packaging from which lead will not leach, as demonstrated by the manufacturer, to the satisfaction of the office.

(d) The standards adopted pursuant to paragraphs (2) and (3) of subdivision (c) shall be reviewed by the office every three-year to five-year period in order to determine whether advances in scientific knowledge, the development of better agricultural or manufacturing practices, or changes in detection limits require revision of the standards.

(e) The department shall do all of the following:

(1) Ensure that the candy is not adulterated.

(2) Establish procedures for the testing of candy and the certification of unadulterated candy products. The procedures shall require candy manufacturers to certify candy as being unadulterated. The certification shall be based on appropriate sampling and testing protocols as determined by the office in consultation with the Attorney General's office.

(3) Through its Food and Drug Branch, test the samples of candy collected pursuant to this article. The department may test any candy, including candy tested pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (e) in order to ensure the candy is unadulterated.

(4) Adopt regulations necessary for the enforcement of this article.

(5) Evaluate the regulatory process, identify problems, and make changes or report to the Legislature, as necessary.

(f) If the candy tested pursuant paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (e) is found to be adulterated, the department shall do both of the following:

(1) Issue health advisory notices to county health departments alerting them to the danger posed by consumption of the candy.

(2) Notify the manufacturer and the distributor of the candy that the candy is adulterated, and that the candy may not be sold or

distributed in the state until further testing proves that the candy is unadulterated.

(g) (1) For any candy found to be adulterated, the manufacturer or distributor may request that the department test a subsequent sample of candy. The department shall select the candy to be tested. The cost of any subsequent sampling and testing shall be borne by the manufacturer or distributor requesting the additional testing.

(2) If the candy is found to be unadulterated when it is retested, the department shall provide the manufacturer or distributor and the county health department with a letter stating that the candy has been retested and determined to be unadulterated, and that the sale and distribution of the candy in the state may resume.

(3) If the candy is found to remain adulterated when retested, the manufacturer or distributor may take corrective measures and continue to resubmit samples for testing until tests prove the candy unadulterated.

(h) The department shall convene an interagency collaborative which is hereby established to serve as an oversight committee for the implementation of this section and to work with the office in establishing and revising the required standards. The interagency collaborative shall be composed of the following members:

(1) The department.

(2) The Childhood Lead Poisoning Branch of the department.

(3) The Food and Drug Branch of the department.

(4) The office.

(5) The office of the Attorney General.

(i) The interagency collaborative may confer with the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission, the United States Food and Drug Administration, recognized experts in the field, representatives of California community environmental justice organizations and candy manufacturers.

(j) (1) The sale of adulterated candy to California consumers is a violation of this section. Any person knowingly and intentionally selling adulterated candy shall be subject to a civil penalty of up to five hundred dollars ($500) per violation. The regulations adopted shall provide that funding for this section shall be met in part or in whole by those penalties, upon appropriation by the Legislature.

(2) In the event that a candy product is found to be adulterated, the department may recover the costs incurred in the chemical analysis of that product from the manufacturer or distributor.

(3) Except as expressly set forth in this section, nothing in this section shall alter or diminish any legal obligation otherwise required in common law or by statute or regulation, and nothing in this section shall create or enlarge any defense in any action to enforce that legal obligation. Penalties imposed under this section shall be in addition to any penalties otherwise prescribed by law.

(4) This section shall not be the basis for any stay of proceedings or other order limiting or delaying the prosecution of any action to enforce Section 25249.6.

SEC. 173. Section 118280 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

118280. To containerize biohazard bags, a person shall do all of the following:

(a) The bags shall be tied to prevent leakage or expulsion of contents during all future storage, handling, or transport.

(b) Biohazardous waste, except biohazardous waste as defined in subdivision (g) of Section 117635, shall be bagged in accordance with subdivision (b) of Section 118275 and placed for storage, handling, or transport in a rigid container that may be disposable, reusable, or recyclable. Containers shall be leak resistant, have tight-fitting covers, and be kept clean and in good repair. Containers may be recycled with the approval of the enforcement agency. Containers may be of any color and shall be labeled with the words “Biohazardous Waste” or with the international biohazard symbol and the word “BIOHAZARD” on the lid and on the sides so as to be visible from any lateral direction. Containers meeting the requirements specified in Section 66840 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, as it read on December 31, 1990, may also be used until the replacement of the containers is necessary or existing stock has been depleted.

(c) Biohazardous waste shall not be removed from the biohazard bag until treatment as prescribed in Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 118215) is completed, except to eliminate a safety hazard, or by the enforcement officer in performance of an investigation pursuant to Section 117820. Biohazardous waste shall not be disposed of before being treated as prescribed in Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 118215).

(d) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (5), a person generating biohazardous waste shall comply with the following requirements:

(A) If the person generates 20 or more pounds of biohazardous waste per month, the person shall not contain or store biohazardous or sharps waste above 0° Centigrade (32° Fahrenheit) at any onsite location for more than seven days without obtaining prior written approval of the enforcement agency.

(B) If a person generates less than 20 pounds of biohazardous waste per month, the person shall not contain or store biohazardous waste above 0° Centigrade (32° Fahrenheit) at any onsite location for more than 30 days.

(2) A person may store biohazardous or sharps waste at or below 0° Centigrade (32° Fahrenheit) at an onsite location for not more than 90 days without obtaining prior written approval of the enforcement agency.

(3) A person may store biohazardous or sharps waste at a permitted transfer station at or below 0° Centigrade (32° Fahrenheit) for not more than 30 days without obtaining prior written approval of the enforcement agency.

(4) A person shall not store biohazardous or sharps waste above 0° Centigrade (32° Fahrenheit) at any location or facility that is offsite from the generator for more than seven days before treatment.

(5) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) to (4), inclusive, if the odor from biohazardous or sharps waste stored at a facility poses a nuisance, the enforcement agency may require more frequent removal.

(e) Waste that meets the definition of biohazardous waste in subdivision (g) of Section 117635 shall not be subject to the limitations on storage time prescribed in subdivision (d). A person may store that biohazardous waste at an onsite location for not longer than 90 days when the container is ready for disposal, unless prior written approval from the enforcement agency or the department is obtained. The container shall be emptied at least once a year, unless prior written approval from the enforcement agency or the department is obtained. A person may store that biohazardous waste at a permitted transfer station for not longer than 30 days without obtaining prior written approval from the enforcement agency or the department. A person shall not store

that biohazardous waste at any location or facility that is offsite from the generator for more than 30 days before treatment.

(f) The containment and storage time for wastes consolidated in a common container pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 118275 shall not exceed the storage time for any category of waste set forth in this section.

SEC. 174. Section 120155 of the Health and Safety Code, as added by Section 1 of Chapter 589 of the Statutes of 2006, is amended to read:

120155. (a) Any manufacturer or distributor of the influenza vaccine, or nonprofit health care service plan that exclusively contracts with a single medical group in a specified geographic area to provide, or to arrange for the provision of, medical services to its enrollees, shall report the information described in subdivision (c) relating to the supply of the influenza vaccine to the department upon notice from the department.

(b) Within each county or city health jurisdiction, entities that have possession of, or have a legal right to obtain possession of, the influenza vaccine, or entities that are conducting or intend to conduct influenza clinics for the public, their residents, or their employees, except those entities described in subdivision (a), shall cooperate with the local health officer in determining local inventories of influenza vaccine, including providing inventory, orders, and distribution lists in a timely manner, when necessary.

(c) The information reported pursuant to subdivision (a) shall include, but is not limited to, the amount of the influenza vaccine that has been shipped, and the name, address, and, if applicable, the telephone number of the recipient.

(d) Subdivisions (a), (b), and (c) shall not apply to a physician and surgeon practice, unless the practice is an occupational health provider who conducts influenza vaccination campaigns on behalf of a corporation.

(e) It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this section to assist small physician and surgeon practices, nursing facilities, and other health care providers that provide care for patients at risk of illness or death from influenza by facilitating the sharing of vaccine supplies, if necessary, between providers within a local jurisdiction.

(f) If a business believes that the information required by this section involves the release of a trade secret, the business shall nevertheless disclose the information to the department, and shall

notify the department in writing of that belief at the time of disclosure. As used in this section, "trade secret" has the meanings given to it by Section 6254.7 of the Government Code and Section 1060 of the Evidence Code. Any information, including identifying information, including, but not limited to, the name of the agent or contact person of an entity that receives the influenza vaccine from a manufacturer or distributor, or nonprofit health care service plan described in subdivision (a), and the receiving entity's address and telephone number, that is reported pursuant to this section shall not be disclosed by the department to anyone, except to an officer or employee of the county, city, city and county, or the state in connection with the official duties of that officer or employee to protect the public health.

SEC. 175. Section 120440 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

120440. (a) For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) "Health care provider" means any person licensed pursuant to Division 2 (commencing with Section 500) of the Business and Professions Code or a clinic or health facility licensed pursuant to Division 2 (commencing with Section 1200).

(2) "Schools, child care facilities, and family child care homes" means those institutions referred to in subdivision (b) of Section 120335, regardless of whether they directly provide immunizations to patients or clients.

(3) "WIC service provider" means any public or private nonprofit agency contracting with the department to provide services under the California Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children, as provided for in Article 2 (commencing with Section 123275) of Chapter 1 of Part 2 of Division 106.

(4) "Health care plan" means a health care service plan as defined in subdivision (f) of Section 1345, a government-funded program the purpose of which is paying the costs of health care, or an insurer as described in Sections 10123.5 and 10123.55 of the Insurance Code, regardless of whether the plan directly provides immunizations to patients or clients.

(5) "County welfare department" means a county welfare agency administering the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program, pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing

with Section 11200.5) of Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(6) "Foster care agency" means any of the county and state social services agencies providing foster care services in California.

(b) (1) Local health officers may operate immunization information systems pursuant to their authority under Section 120175, in conjunction with the Immunization Branch of the State Department of Health Services. Local health officers and the State Department of Health Services may operate these systems in either or both of the following manners:

(A) Separately within their individual jurisdictions.

(B) Jointly among more than one jurisdiction.

(2) Nothing in this subdivision shall preclude local health officers from sharing the information set forth in paragraphs (1) to (9), inclusive, of subdivision (c) with other health officers jointly operating the system.

(c) Notwithstanding Sections 49075 and 49076 of the Education Code, Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 10850) of Part 2 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, or any other provision of law, unless a refusal to permit recordsharing is made pursuant to subdivision (e), health care providers, and other agencies, including, but not limited to, schools, child care facilities, service providers for the California Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), health care plans, foster care agencies, and county welfare departments, may disclose the information set forth in paragraphs (1) to (9), inclusive, from the patient's medical record, or the client's record, to local health departments operating countywide or regional immunization information and reminder systems and the State Department of Health Services. Local health departments and the State Department of Health Services may disclose the information set forth in paragraphs (1) to (9), inclusive, to each other and, upon a request for information pertaining to a specific person, to health care providers taking care of the patient. Local health departments and the State Department of Health Services may disclose the information in paragraphs (1) to (6), inclusive, and paragraphs (8) and (9), to schools, child care facilities, county welfare departments, and family child care homes to which the person is being admitted or in attendance, foster care agencies in assessing and providing medical care for children in foster care, and WIC

service providers providing services to the person, health care plans arranging for immunization services for the patient, and county welfare departments assessing immunization histories of dependents of CalWORKs participants, upon request for information pertaining to a specific person. Determination of benefits based upon immunization of a dependent CalWORKs participant shall be made pursuant to Section 11265.8 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. The following information shall be subject to this subdivision:

(1) The name of the patient or client and names of the parents or guardians of the patient or client.

(2) Date of birth of the patient or client.

(3) Types and dates of immunizations received by the patient or client.

(4) Manufacturer and lot number for each immunization received.

(5) Adverse reaction to immunizations received.

(6) Other nonmedical information necessary to establish the patient's or client's unique identity and record.

(7) Current address and telephone number of the patient or client and the parents or guardians of the patient or client.

(8) Patient's or client's gender.

(9) Patient's or client's place of birth.

(d) (1) Health care providers, local health departments, and the State Department of Health Services shall maintain the confidentiality of information listed in subdivision (c) in the same manner as other medical record information with patient identification that they possess. These providers, departments, and contracting agencies are subject to civil action and criminal penalties for the wrongful disclosure of the information listed in subdivision (c), in accordance with existing law. They shall use the information listed in subdivision (c) only for the following purposes:

(A) To provide immunization services to the patient or client, including issuing reminder notifications to patients or clients or their parents or guardians when immunizations are due.

(B) To provide or facilitate provision of third-party payer payments for immunizations.

(C) To compile and disseminate statistical information of immunization status on groups of patients or clients or populations

in California, without identifying information for these patients or clients included in these groups or populations.

(D) In the case of health care providers only, as authorized by Part 2.6 (commencing with Section 56) of Division 1 of the Civil Code.

(2) Schools, child care facilities, family child care homes, WIC service providers, foster care agencies, county welfare departments, and health care plans shall maintain the confidentiality of information listed in subdivision (c) in the same manner as other client, patient, and pupil information that they possess. These institutions and providers are subject to civil action and criminal penalties for the wrongful disclosure of the information listed in subdivision (c), in accordance with existing law. They shall use the information listed in subdivision (c) only for those purposes provided in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1) and as follows:

(A) In the case of schools, child care facilities, family child care homes, and county welfare departments, to carry out their responsibilities regarding required immunization for attendance or participation benefits, or both, as described in Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 120325), and in Section 11265.8 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(B) In the case of WIC service providers, to perform immunization status assessments of clients and to refer those clients found to be due or overdue for immunizations to health care providers.

(C) In the case of health care plans, to facilitate payments to health care providers, to assess the immunization status of their clients, and to tabulate statistical information on the immunization status of groups of patients, without including patient-identifying information in these tabulations.

(D) In the case of foster care agencies, to perform immunization status assessments of foster children and to assist those foster children found to be due or overdue for immunization in obtaining immunizations from health care providers.

(e) A patient or a patient's parent or guardian may refuse to permit recordsharing. The health care provider administering immunization and any other agency possessing any patient or client information listed in subdivision (c), if planning to provide patient or client information to an immunization system, as described in

subdivision (b), shall inform the patient or client, or the parent or guardian of the patient or client, of the following:

(1) The information listed in subdivision (c) may be shared with local health departments and the State Department of Health Services. The health care provider or other agency shall provide the name and address of the State Department of Health Services or of the immunization registry with which the provider or other agency will share the information.

(2) Any of the information shared with local health departments and the State Department of Health Services shall be treated as confidential medical information and shall be used only to share with each other, and, upon request, with health care providers, schools, child care facilities, family child care homes, WIC service providers, county welfare departments, foster care agencies, and health care plans. These providers, agencies, and institutions shall, in turn, treat the shared information as confidential, and shall use it only as described in subdivision (d).

(3) The patient or client, or parent or guardian of the patient or client, has the right to examine any immunization-related information shared in this manner and to correct any errors in it.

(4) The patient or client, or the parent or guardian of the patient or client, may refuse to allow this information to be shared in the manner described, or to receive immunization reminder notifications at any time, or both. After refusal, the patient's or client's physician may maintain access to this information for the purposes of patient care or protecting the public health. After refusal, the local health department and the State Department of Health Services may maintain access to this information for the purpose of protecting the public health pursuant to Sections 100325, 120140, and 120175, as well as Sections 2500 to 2643.20, inclusive, of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations.

(f) (1) The health care provider administering the immunization and any other agency possessing any patient or client information listed in subdivision (c), may inform the patient or client, or the parent or guardian of the patient or client, by ordinary mail, of the information in paragraphs (1) to (4), inclusive, of subdivision (e). The mailing must include a reasonable means for refusal, such as a return form or contact telephone number.

(2) The information in paragraphs (1) to (4), inclusive, of subdivision (e) may also be presented to the parent or guardian of

the patient or client during any hospitalization of the patient or client.

(g) If the patient or client, or parent or guardian of the patient or client, refuses to allow the information to be shared, pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (e), the health care provider or other agency may not share this information in the manner described in subdivision (c), except as provided in subparagraph (D) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (d).

(h) (1) Upon request of the patient or client, or the parent or guardian of the patient or client, in writing or by other means acceptable to the recipient, a local health department or the State Department of Health Services that has received information about a person pursuant to subdivision (c) shall do all of the following:

(A) Provide the name and address of other persons or agencies with whom the recipient has shared the information.

(B) Stop sharing the information in its possession after the date of the receipt of the request.

(2) After refusal, the patient's or client's physician may maintain access to this information for the purposes of patient care or protecting the public health. After refusal, the local health department and the State Department of Health Services may maintain access to this information for the purpose of protecting the public health pursuant to Sections 100325, 120140, and 120175, as well as Sections 2500 to 2643.20, inclusive, of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations.

(i) Upon notification, in writing or by other means acceptable to the recipient, of an error in the information, a local health department or the State Department of Health Services that has information about a person pursuant to subdivision (c) shall correct the error. If the recipient is aware of a disagreement about whether an error exists, information to that effect may be included.

(j) (1) Any party authorized to make medical decisions for a patient or client, including, but not limited to, those authorized by Section 6922, 6926, or 6927 of, Part 1.5 (commencing with Section 6550), Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 6910) of Part 4, or Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 7000) of Part 6, of Division 11 of, the Family Code, Section 1530.6 of the Health and Safety Code, or Sections 727 and 1755.3 of, and Article 6 (commencing with Section 300) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 2 of, the Welfare and Institutions Code, may permit sharing of the patient's

or client's record with any of the immunization information systems authorized by this section.

(2) For a patient or client who is a dependent of a juvenile court, the court or a person or agency designated by the court may permit this recordsharing.

(3) For a patient or client receiving foster care, a person or persons licensed to provide residential foster care, or having legal custody, may permit this recordsharing.

(k) For purposes of supporting immunization information systems, the State Department of Health Services shall assist the Immunization Branch of the State Department of Health Services in both of the following:

(1) Providing department records containing information about publicly funded immunizations.

(2) Supporting efforts for the reporting of publicly funded immunizations into immunization information systems by health care providers and health care plans.

(*l*) Subject to any other provisions of state and federal law or regulation that limit the disclosure of health information and protect the privacy and confidentiality of personal information, local health departments and the State Department of Health Services may share the information listed in subdivision (c) with a state, local health departments, health care providers, immunization information systems, or any representative of an entity designated by federal or state law or regulation to receive this information. The State Department of Health Services may enter into written agreements to exchange confidential immunization information with other states for the purposes of patient care, protecting the public health, entrance into school, child care and other institutions requiring immunization prior to entry, and the other purposes described in subdivision (d). The written agreement shall provide that the state that receives confidential immunization information must maintain its confidentiality and may only use it for purposes of patient care, protecting the public health, entrance into school, child care and other institutions requiring immunization prior to entry, and the other purposes described in subdivision (d). Information may not be shared pursuant to this subdivision if a patient or client, or parent or guardian of a patient or client, refuses to allow the sharing of immunization information pursuant to subdivision (e).

SEC. 176. Section 124116.5 of the Health and Safety Code, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 335 of the Statutes of 2006, is amended to read:

124116.5. (a) (1) Every general acute care hospital with licensed perinatal services in this state shall administer to every newborn, upon birth admission, a hearing screening test for the identification of hearing loss, using protocols approved by the department or its designee.

(2) In order to meet the department's certification criteria, a general acute care hospital shall be responsible for developing a screening program that provides competent hearing screening, utilizes appropriate staff and equipment for administering the testing, completes the testing prior to the newborn's discharge from a newborn nursery unit, refers infants with abnormal screening results, maintains and reports data as required by the department, and provides physician and family-parent education.

(b) A hearing screening test provided for pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be performed by a licensed physician, licensed registered nurse, licensed audiologist, or an appropriately trained individual who is supervised in the performance of the test by a licensed health care professional.

(c) Every general acute care hospital that has not been approved by the California Children's Services (CCS) program and that has licensed perinatal services that provide care in fewer than 100 births annually shall, if it does not directly provide a hearing screening test, enter into an agreement with an outpatient infant hearing screening provider certified by the department to provide hearing screening tests.

(d) This section shall not apply to any newborn whose parent or guardian objects to the test on the grounds that the test is in violation of his or her beliefs.

SEC. 177. Section 124174 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

124174. The following definitions shall govern the construction of this article, unless the context requires otherwise:

(a) "Program" means a Public School Health Center Support Program.

(b) "School health center" means a center or program that provides age-appropriate health care services at the program site or through referrals, and may be located at a local educational

agency. A school health center may serve two or more nonadjacent schools or local educational agencies.

(c) For purposes of this section "local educational agency" shall be defined as a school, school district, charter school, or county office of education if the county office of education serves students in kindergarten, or any grades from 1 to 12, inclusive.

SEC. 178. Section 124900 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

124900. (a) (1) The State Department of Health Services shall select primary care clinics that are licensed under paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 1204, or are exempt from licensure under subdivision (c) of Section 1206, to be reimbursed for delivering medical services, including preventive health care, and smoking prevention and cessation health education, to program beneficiaries.

(2) In order to be eligible to receive funds under this article, a clinic shall meet all of the following conditions, at a minimum:

(A) Provide medical diagnosis and treatment.

(B) Provide medical support services of patients in all stages of illness.

(C) Provide communication of information about diagnosis, treatment, prevention, and prognosis.

(D) Provide maintenance of patients with chronic illness.

(E) Provide prevention of disability and disease through detection, education, persuasion, and preventive treatment.

(F) Meet one or both of the following conditions:

(i) Be located in an area or a facility federally designated as a health professional shortage area, medically underserved area, or medically underserved population.

(ii) Be a clinic that is able to demonstrate that at least 50 percent of the patients served are persons with incomes at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level.

(3) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (2), all clinics that received funds under this article in the 1997–98 fiscal year shall continue to be eligible to receive funds under this article.

(b) As a part of the award process for funding pursuant to this article, the department shall take into account the availability of primary care services in the various geographic areas of the state. The department shall determine which areas within the state have populations which have clear and compelling difficulty in obtaining

access to primary care. The department shall consider proposals from new and existing eligible providers to extend clinic services to these populations.

(c) Each primary care clinic applying for funds pursuant to this article shall demonstrate that the funds shall be used to expand medical services, including preventive health care, and smoking prevention and cessation health education, for program beneficiaries above the level of services provided in the 1988 calendar year or in the year prior to the first year a clinic receives funds under this article if the clinic did not receive funds in the 1989 calendar year.

(d) (1) The department, in consultation with clinics funded under this article, shall develop a formula for allocation of funds available. It is the intent of the Legislature that the funds allocated pursuant to this article promote stability for those clinics participating in programs under this article as part of the state's health care safety net and at the same time be distributed in a manner that best promotes access to health care to uninsured populations.

(2) The formula shall be based on both of the following:

(A) A hold harmless for clinics funded in the 1997–98 fiscal year to continue to reimburse them for some portion of their uncompensated care.

(B) Demonstrated unmet need by both new and existing clinics, as reflected in their levels of uncompensated care reported to the department. For purposes of this article, "uncompensated care" means clinic patient visits for persons with incomes at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level for which there is no encounter-based third-party reimbursement which includes, but is not limited to, unpaid expanded access to primary care claims.

(3) The department shall allocate available funds, for a three-year period, as follows:

(A) Clinics that received funding in the prior fiscal year shall receive 90 percent of their prior fiscal year allocation, subject to available funds, provided that the funding award is substantiated by the clinics' reported levels of uncompensated care.

(B) The remaining funds beyond 90 percent shall be awarded to new and existing applicants based on the clinics' reported levels of uncompensated care as verified by the department according to subparagraph (A) of paragraph (4). The department shall seek

input from stakeholders to discuss any adjustments to award levels that the department deems reasonable, such as including base amounts for new applicant clinics.

(C) New applicants shall be awarded funds pursuant to this subdivision if they meet the minimum requirements for funding under this article based on the clinics' reported levels of uncompensated care as verified by the department according to subparagraph (A) of paragraph (4). New applicants include applicants for any new site expansions by existing applicants.

(4) In assessing reported levels of uncompensated care, the department shall utilize the data available from the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development's (OSHPD's) completed analysis of the "Annual Report of Primary Care Clinics" for the prior fiscal year, or if more recent data is available, then the most recent data. If this data is unavailable for an existing applicant to assess reported levels of uncompensated care, the existing applicant shall receive an allocation pursuant to subparagraph (A) of paragraph (3).

(A) The department shall utilize the most recent data available from OSHPD's completed analysis of the "Annual Report of Primary Care Clinics" for the prior fiscal year, or if more recent data is available, then the most recent data.

(B) If the funds allocated to the program are less than the prior year, the department shall allocate available funds to existing program providers only.

(5) The department shall establish a base funding level, subject to available funds, of no less than thirty-five thousand dollars ($35,000) for frontier clinics and Native American reservation-based clinics. For purposes of this article, "frontier clinics" means clinics located in a medical services study area with a population of fewer than 11 persons per square mile.

(6) The department shall develop, in consultation with clinics funded pursuant to this article, a formula for reallocation of unused funds to other participating clinics to reimburse for uncompensated care. The department shall allocate the unused funds remaining on October 30, for the prior fiscal year to other participating clinics to reimburse for uncompensated care.

(e) In applying for funds, eligible clinics shall submit a single application per clinic corporation. Applicants with multiple sites shall apply for all eligible clinics, and shall report to the department

the allocation of funds among their corporate sites in the prior year. A corporation may only claim reimbursement for services provided at a program-eligible clinic site identified in the corporate entity's application for funds, and approved for funding by the department. A corporation may increase or decrease the number of its program-eligible clinic sites on an annual basis, at the time of the annual application update for the subsequent fiscal years of any multiple-year application period.

(f) Grant allocations pursuant to this article shall be based on the formula developed by the department, notwithstanding a merger of one or more licensed primary care clinics participating in the program.

(g) A clinic that is eligible for the program in every other respect, but that provides dental services only, rather than the full range of primary care medical services, shall only be eligible to receive funds under this article on an exception basis. A dental-only provider's application shall include a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with a primary care clinic funded under this article. The MOU shall include medical protocols for making referrals by the primary care clinic to the dental clinic and from the dental clinic to the primary care clinic, and ensure that case management services are provided and that the patient is being provided comprehensive primary care as defined in subdivision (a).

(h) (1) For purposes of this article, an outpatient visit shall include diagnosis and medical treatment services, including the associated pharmacy, X-ray, and laboratory services, and prevention health and case management services that are needed as a result of the outpatient visit. For a new patient, an outpatient visit shall also include a health assessment encompassing an assessment of smoking behavior and the patient's need for appropriate health education specific to related tobacco use and exposure.

(2) "Case management" includes, for this purpose, the management of all physician services, both primary and specialty, and arrangements for hospitalization, postdischarge care, and followup care.

(i) (1) Payment shall be on a per-visit basis at a rate that is determined by the department to be appropriate for an outpatient

visit as defined in this section, and shall be not less than seventy-one dollars and fifty cents ($71.50).

(2) In developing a statewide uniform rate for an outpatient visit as defined in this article, the department shall consider existing rates of payments for comparable outpatient visits. The department shall review the outpatient visit rate on an annual basis.

(j) Not later than June 1 of each year, the department shall adopt and provide each licensed primary care clinic with a schedule for programs under this article, including the date for notification of availability of funds, the deadline for the submission of a completed application, and an anticipated contract award date for successful applicants.

(k) In administering the program created pursuant to this article, the department shall utilize the Medi-Cal program statutes and regulations pertaining to program participation standards, medical and administrative recordkeeping, the ability of the department to monitor and audit clinic records pertaining to program services rendered to program beneficiaries and take recoupments or recovery actions consistent with monitoring and audit findings, and the provider's appeal rights. Each primary care clinic applying for program participation shall certify that it will abide by these statutes and regulations and other program requirements set forth in this article.

SEC. 179. Section 127400 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

127400. As used in this article, the following terms have the following meanings:

(a) "Allowance for financially qualified patient" means, with respect to services rendered to a financially qualified patient, an allowance that is applied after the hospital's charges are imposed on the patient, due to the patient's determined financial inability to pay the charges.

(b) "Federal poverty level" means the poverty guidelines updated periodically in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human Services under authority of subsection (2) of Section 9902 of Title 42 of the United States Code.

(c) "Financially qualified patient" means a patient who is both of the following:

(1) A patient who is a self-pay patient, as defined in subdivision (f), or a patient with high medical costs, as defined in subdivision (g).

(2) A patient who has a family income that does not exceed 350 percent of the federal poverty level.

(d) "Hospital" means any facility that is required to be licensed under subdivision (a), (b), or (f) of Section 1250, except a facility operated by the State Department of Mental Health or the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

(e) "Office" means the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development.

(f) "Self–pay patient" means a patient who does not have third-party coverage from a health insurer, health care service plan, Medicare, or Medicaid, and whose injury is not a compensable injury for purposes of workers' compensation, automobile insurance, or other insurance as determined and documented by the hospital. Self-pay patients may include charity care patients.

(g) "A patient with high medical costs" means a person whose family income does not exceed 350 percent of the federal poverty level, as defined in subdivision (c), if that individual does not receive a discounted rate from the hospital as a result of his or her third-party coverage. For these purposes, "high medical costs" means any of the following:

(1) Annual out-of-pocket costs incurred by the individual at the hospital that exceed 10 percent of the patient's family income in the prior 12 months.

(2) Annual out-of-pocket expenses that exceed 10 percent of the patient's family income, if the patient provides documentation of the patient's medical expenses paid by the patient or the patient's family in the prior 12 months.

(3) A lower level determined by the hospital in accordance with the hospital's charity care policy.

(h) "Patient's family" means the following:

(1) For persons 18 years of age and older, spouse, domestic partner, and dependent children under 21 years of age, whether living at home or not.

(2) For persons under 18 years of age, parent, caretaker relative, and other children under 21 years of age of the parent or caretaker relative.

SEC. 180. Section 127405 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

127405. (a) (1) Each hospital shall maintain an understandable written policy regarding discount payments for financially qualified patients, as well as an understandable written charity care policy. Uninsured patients or patients with high medical costs who are at or below 350 percent of the federal poverty level, as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 127400, shall be eligible to apply for participation under each hospital's charity care policy or discount payment policy. Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, a hospital may choose to grant eligibility for its discount payment policy or charity care policies to patients with incomes over 350 percent of the federal poverty level. Both the charity care policy and the discount payment policy shall state the process used by the hospital to determine whether a patient is eligible for charity care or discounted payment. In the event of a dispute, a patient may seek review from the business manager, chief financial officer, or other appropriate manager as designated in the charity care policy and the discount payment policy.

(2) Rural hospitals, as defined in Section 124840, may establish eligibility levels for financial assistance and charity care at less than 350 percent of the federal poverty level as appropriate to maintain their financial and operational integrity.

(b) Each hospital's discount payment policy shall clearly state eligibility criteria based upon income consistent with the application of the federal poverty level. The discount payment policy shall also include an extended payment plan to allow payment of the discounted price over time. The policy shall provide that the hospital and the patient may negotiate the terms of the payment plan.

(c) The charity care policy shall clearly state eligibility criteria for charity care. In determining eligibility under its charity care policy, a hospital may consider income and monetary assets of the patient. For purposes of this determination, monetary assets shall not include retirement or deferred-compensation plans qualified under the Internal Revenue Code, or nonqualified deferred-compensation plans. Furthermore, the first ten thousand dollars ($10,000) of a patient's monetary assets shall not be counted in determining eligibility, nor shall 50 percent of a patient's

monetary assets over the first ten thousand dollars ($10,000) be counted in determining eligibility.

(d) Each hospital shall limit expected payment for services it provides to any patient at or below 350 percent of the federal poverty level, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 124700, eligible under its discount payment policy to the amount of payment the hospital would receive for providing services from Medicare, Medi-Cal, Healthy Families, or any other government-sponsored health program of health benefits in which the hospital participates, whichever is greater. If the hospital provides a service for which there is no established payment by Medicare or any other government-sponsored program of health benefits in which the hospital participates, the hospital shall establish an appropriate discounted payment.

(e) Any patient, or patient's legal representative, who requests a discounted payment, charity care, or other assistance in meeting his or her financial obligation to the hospital, shall make every reasonable effort to provide the hospital with documentation of income and health benefits coverage. If the person requests charity care or a discounted payment and fails to provide information that is reasonable and necessary for the hospital to make a determination, the hospital may consider that failure in making its determination.

(1) For the purpose of determining eligibility for discounted payment, documentation of income shall be limited to recent pay stubs or income tax returns.

(2) For the purpose of determining eligibility for charity care, documentation of assets may include information on all monetary assets, but shall not include statements on retirement or deferred-compensation plans qualified under the Internal Revenue Code, or nonqualified deferred-compensation plans. A hospital may require waivers or releases from the patient or the patient's family, authorizing the hospital to obtain account information from financial or commercial institutions or other entities that hold or maintain the monetary assets to verify their value. Information obtained pursuant to this paragraph regarding the assets of the patient or the patient's family shall not be used for collection.

(3) Eligibility for discounted payments or charity care may be determined at any time the hospital is in receipt of information specified in paragraph (1) or paragraph (2), respectively.

SEC. 181. Section 127410 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

127410. (a) Each hospital shall provide patients with a written notice that shall contain information about availability of the hospital's discount payment and charity care policies, including information about eligibility, as well as contact information for a hospital employee or office from which the person may obtain further information about these policies. This written notice shall be provided in addition to the estimate provided pursuant to Section 1339.585. The notice shall also be provided to patients who receive emergency or outpatient care and who may be billed for that care, but who were not admitted. The notice shall be provided in English, and in languages other than English. The languages to be provided shall be determined in a manner similar to that required pursuant to Section 12693.30 of the Insurance Code. Written correspondence to the patient required by this article shall also be in the language spoken by the patient, consistent with Section 12693.30 of the Insurance Code and applicable state and federal law.

(b) Notice of the hospital's policy for financially qualified and self-pay patients shall be clearly and conspicuously posted in locations that are visible to the public, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(1) Emergency department, if any.

(2) Billing office.

(3) Admissions office.

(4) Other outpatient settings.

SEC. 182. Section 127425 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

127425. (a) Each hospital shall have a written policy about when and under whose authority patient debt is advanced for collection, whether the collection activity is conducted by the hospital, an affiliate or subsidiary of the hospital, or by an external collection agency.

(b) Each hospital shall establish a written policy defining standards and practices for the collection of debt, and shall obtain a written agreement from any agency that collects hospital receivables that it will adhere to the hospital's standards and scope of practices. The policy shall not conflict with other applicable laws and shall not be construed to create a joint venture between the hospital and the external entity, or otherwise to allow hospital

governance of an external entity that collects hospital receivables. In determining the amount of a debt a hospital may seek to recover from patients who are eligible under the hospital's charity care policy or discount payment policy, the hospital may consider only income and monetary assets as limited by Section 127405.

(c) At time of billing, each hospital shall provide a written summary consistent with Section 127410, which includes the same information concerning services and charges provided to all other patients who receive care at the hospital.

(d) For a patient that lacks coverage, or for a patient that provides information that he or she may be a patient with high medical costs, as defined in this article, a hospital, any assignee of the hospital, or other owner of the patient debt, including a collection agency, shall not report adverse information to a consumer credit reporting agency or commence civil action against the patient for nonpayment at any time prior to 150 days after initial billing.

(e) If a patient is attempting to qualify for eligibility under the hospital's charity care or discount payment policy and is attempting in good faith to settle an outstanding bill with the hospital by negotiating a reasonable payment plan or by making regular partial payments of a reasonable amount, the hospital shall not send the unpaid bill to any collection agency or other assignee, unless that entity has agreed to comply with this article.

(f) (1) The hospital or other assignee which is an affiliate or subsidiary of the hospital shall not, in dealing with patients eligible under the hospital's charity care or discount payment policies, use wage garnishments or liens on primary residences as a means of collecting unpaid hospital bills.

(2) A collection agency or other assignee that is not a subsidiary or affiliate of the hospital shall not, in dealing with any patient under the hospital's charity care or discount payment policies, use as a means of collecting unpaid hospital bills, any of the following:

(A) A wage garnishment, except by order of the court upon noticed motion, supported by a declaration file by the movant identifying the basis for which it believes that the patient has the ability to make payments on the judgment under the wage garnishment, which the court shall consider in light of the size of the judgment and additional information provided by the patient prior to, or at, the hearing concerning the patient's ability to pay,

including information about probable future medical expenses based on the current condition of the patient and other obligations of the patient.

(B) Notice or conduct a sale of the patient's primary residence during the life of the patient or his or her spouse, or during the period a child of the patient is a minor, or a child of the patient who has attained the age of majority is unable to take care of himself or herself and resides in the dwelling as his or her primary residence. In the event that a person protected by this paragraph owns more than one dwelling, the primary residence shall be the dwelling that is the patient's current homestead, as defined in Section 704.710 of the Code of Civil Procedure, or was the patient's homestead at the time of the death if a person other than the patient is asserting the protections of this paragraph.

(3) This requirement does not preclude a hospital, collection agency, or other assignee from pursuing reimbursement and any enforcement remedy or remedies from third-party liability settlements, tortfeasors, or other legally responsible parties.

(g) Any extended payment plans offered by a hospital to assist patients eligible under the hospital's charity care policy, discount payment policy, or any other policy adopted by the hospital for assisting low-income patients with no insurance or high medical costs in settling outstanding past due hospital bills, shall be interest free.

(h) Nothing in this section shall be construed to diminish or eliminate any protections consumers have under existing federal and state debt collection laws, or any other consumer protections available under state or federal law. This subdivision does not limit or alter the obligation of the patient to make payments from the first date due on the obligation owing to the hospital pursuant to any contract or applicable statute, in the event that the patient fails to make payments for 90 days, or to renegotiate the payment plan.

SEC. 183. Section 1194.82 of the Insurance Code is amended to read:

1194.82. (a) An insurer may invest in notes or bonds secured by second mortgages or other second liens, including all inclusive or wraparound mortgages or liens, upon real property encumbered only by a first mortgage or lien which meets the requirements set forth in Section 1194.81, subject to either of the following conditions:

(1) The insurer also owns the note or bond secured by the prior first mortgage or lien and the aggregate value of both loans does not exceed the loan to market value ratio requirements of Section 1194.81.

(2) The note or bond is secured by an "all-inclusive" or "wraparound" lien or mortgage which conforms to the requirements specified in subdivision (b), provided that the aggregate value of the resulting loan does not exceed the loan to market value ratio requirements of Section 1194.81.

(b) "Wraparound and "all-inclusive" lien or mortgage refer to a loan made by an insurer to a borrower on the security of a mortgage or lien on real property other than property containing a residence of one to four units or upon which a residence of one to four units is to be constructed, where the real property is encumbered by a first mortgage or lien and which loan is subject to all of the following:

(1) There is no more than one preexisting mortgage or lien on the real property.

(2) The total amount of the obligation of the borrower to the insurer under the loan is not less than the sum of the amount disbursed by the insurer on account of the loan and the outstanding balance of the obligation secured by the preexisting lien or mortgage.

(3) The instrument evidencing the lien or mortgage by which the obligation of the borrower to the insurer under the loan is secured, is recorded, and the lien is insured under a policy of title insurance in an amount not less than the total amount of the obligation of the borrower to the insurer under the loan.

(4) The insurer either (A) pursuant to Section 2924b of the Civil Code, files for record in the office of the recorder of the county in which the real property is located a duly acknowledged request for a copy of any notice of default or of sale under the preexisting lien, (B) otherwise arranges with the recorder of any county in which the real property is located to be advised in case of the filing for record of any notice of default or of sale with respect to any obligation secured by the preexisting lien, or (C) is entitled under applicable law to receive notice of default, sale, and foreclosure of the preexisting lien.

(5) The amount disbursed by an insurer under any single wraparound or all-inclusive loan made pursuant to this section

shall not exceed the greater of 1 percent of the insurer's admitted assets or 10 percent of the aggregate of the insurer's capital paid-up and unassigned surplus.

SEC. 184. Section 3201.81 of the Labor Code is amended to read:

3201.81. In the horse racing industry, the organization certified by the California Horse Racing Board to represent the majority of licensed jockeys pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 19612.9 of the Business and Professions Code is the labor organization authorized to negotiate the collective bargaining agreement establishing an alternative dispute resolution system for licensed jockeys pursuant to Section 3201.7.

SEC. 185. Section 186.9 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

186.9. As used in this chapter:

(a) "Conducts" includes, but is not limited to, initiating, concluding, or participating in conducting, initiating, or concluding a transaction.

(b) "Financial institution" means, when located or doing business in this state, any national bank or banking association, state bank or banking association, commercial bank or trust company organized under the laws of the United States or any state, any private bank, industrial savings bank, savings bank or thrift institution, savings and loan association, or building and loan association organized under the laws of the United States or any state, any insured institution as defined in Section 401 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. Sec. 1724(a)), any credit union organized under the laws of the United States or any state, any national banking association or corporation acting under Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 601) of Title 12 of the United States Code, any agency, agent or branch of a foreign bank, any currency dealer or exchange, any person or business engaged primarily in the cashing of checks, any person or business who regularly engages in the issuing, selling, or redeeming of traveler's checks, money orders, or similar instruments, any broker or dealer in securities registered or required to be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or with the Commissioner of Corporations under Part 3 (commencing with Section 25200) of Division 1 of Title 4 of the Corporations Code, any licensed transmitter of funds or other person or business regularly engaged in transmitting funds to a

foreign nation for others, any investment banker or investment company, any insurer, any dealer in gold, silver, or platinum bullion or coins, diamonds, emeralds, rubies, or sapphires, any pawnbroker, any telegraph company, any person or business regularly engaged in the delivery, transmittal, or holding of mail or packages, any person or business that conducts a transaction involving the transfer of title to any real property, vehicle, vessel, or aircraft, any personal property broker, any person or business acting as a real property securities dealer within the meaning of Section 10237 of the Business and Professions Code, whether licensed to do so or not, any person or business acting within the meaning and scope of subdivisions (d) and (e) of Section 10131 and Section 10131.1 of the Business and Professions Code, whether licensed to do so or not, any person or business regularly engaged in gaming within the meaning and scope of Section 330, any person or business regularly engaged in pool selling or bookmaking within the meaning and scope of Section 337a, any person or business regularly engaged in horse racing whether licensed to do so or not under the Business and Professions Code, any person or business engaged in the operation of a gambling ship within the meaning and scope of Section 11317, any person or business engaged in controlled gambling within the meaning and scope of subdivision (e) of Section 19805 of the Business and Professions Code, whether registered to do so or not, and any person or business defined as a "bank," "financial agency," or "financial institution" by Section 5312 of Title 31 of the United States Code or Section 103.11 of Title 31 of the Code of Federal Regulations and any successor provisions thereto.

(c) "Transaction" includes the deposit, withdrawal, transfer, bailment, loan, pledge, payment, or exchange of currency, or a monetary instrument, as defined by subdivision (d), or the electronic, wire, magnetic, or manual transfer of funds between accounts by, through, or to, a financial institution as defined by subdivision (b).

(d) "Monetary instrument" means United States currency and coin; the currency, coin, and foreign bank drafts of any foreign country; payment warrants issued by the United States, this state, or any city, county, or city and county of this state or any other political subdivision thereof; any bank check, cashier's check, traveler's check, or money order; any personal check, stock,

investment security, or negotiable instrument in bearer form or otherwise in a form in which title thereto passes upon delivery; gold, silver, or platinum bullion or coins; and diamonds, emeralds, rubies, or sapphires. Except for foreign bank drafts and federal, state, county, or city warrants, "monetary instrument" does not include personal checks made payable to the order of a named party which have not been endorsed or which bear restrictive endorsements, and also does not include personal checks which have been endorsed by the named party and deposited by the named party into the named party's account with a financial institution.

(e) "Criminal activity" means a criminal offense punishable under the laws of this state by death or imprisonment in the state prison or from a criminal offense committed in another jurisdiction punishable under the laws of that jurisdiction by death or imprisonment for a term exceeding one year.

(f) "Foreign bank draft" means a bank draft or check issued or made out by a foreign bank, savings and loan, casa de cambio, credit union, currency dealer or exchanger, check cashing business, money transmitter, insurance company, investment or private bank, or any other foreign financial institution that provides similar financial services, on an account in the name of the foreign bank or foreign financial institution held at a bank or other financial institution located in the United States or a territory of the United States.

SEC. 186. Section 271.5 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

271.5. (a) No parent or other individual having lawful custody of a minor child 72 hours old or younger may be prosecuted for a violation of Section 270, 270.5, 271, or 271a if he or she voluntarily surrenders physical custody of the child to personnel on duty at a safe-surrender site.

(b) For purposes of this section, "safe-surrender site" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 1255.7 of the Health and Safety Code.

(c) (1) For purposes of this section, "lawful custody" has the same meaning as defined in subdivision (j) of Section 1255.7 of the Health and Safety Code.

(2) For purposes of this section, "personnel" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 1255.7 of the Health and Safety Code.

SEC. 187. Section 290 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

290. (a) (1) (A) Every person described in paragraph (2), for the rest of his or her life while residing in California, or while attending school or working in California, as described in subparagraph (G), shall be required to register with the chief of police of the city in which he or she is residing, or the sheriff of the county if he or she is residing in an unincorporated area or city that has no police department, and, additionally, with the chief of police of a campus of the University of California, the California State University, or community college if he or she is residing upon the campus or in any of its facilities, within five working days of coming into, or changing his or her residence within, any city, county, or city and county, or campus in which he or she temporarily resides.

(B) If the person who is registering has more than one residence address at which he or she regularly resides, he or she shall register in accordance with subparagraph (A) in each of the jurisdictions in which he or she regularly resides, regardless of the number of days or nights spent there. If all of the addresses are within the same jurisdiction, the person shall provide the registering authority with all of the addresses where he or she regularly resides.

(C) Every person described in paragraph (2), for the rest of his or her life while living as a transient in California shall be required to register, as follows:

(i) A transient must register, or reregister if the person has previously registered, within five working days from release from incarceration, placement or commitment, or release on probation, pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), except that if the person previously registered as a transient less than 30 days from the date of his or her release from incarceration, he or she does not need to reregister as a transient until his or her next required 30-day update of registration. If a transient is not physically present in any one jurisdiction for five consecutive working days, he or she must register in the jurisdiction in which he or she is physically present on the fifth working day following release, pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a). Beginning on or before the 30th day following initial registration upon release, a transient must reregister no less than once every 30 days thereafter. A transient shall register with the chief of police of the city in which he or she is physically present within that 30-day period, or the sheriff of the county if he or she is physically present in an unincorporated

area or city that has no police department, and additionally, with the chief of police of a campus of the University of California, the California State University, or community college if he or she is physically present upon the campus or in any of its facilities. A transient must reregister no less than once every 30 days regardless of the length of time he or she has been physically present in the particular jurisdiction in which he or she reregisters. If a transient fails to reregister within any 30-day period, he or she may be prosecuted in any jurisdiction in which he or she is physically present.

(ii) A transient who moves to a residence shall have five working days within which to register at that address, in accordance with subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a). A person registered at a residence address in accordance with subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), who becomes transient shall have five working days within which to reregister as a transient in accordance with clause (i).

(iii) Beginning on his or her first birthday following registration, a transient shall register annually, within five working days of his or her birthday, to update his or her registration with the entities described in clause (i). A transient shall register in whichever jurisdiction he or she is physically present on that date. At the 30-day updates and the annual update, a transient shall provide current information as required on the Department of Justice annual update form, including the information described in subparagraphs (A) to (C), inclusive, of paragraph (2) of subdivision (e), and the information specified in clause (iv).

(iv) A transient shall, upon registration and reregistration, provide current information as required on the Department of Justice registration forms, and shall also list the places where he or she sleeps, eats, works, frequents, and engages in leisure activities. If a transient changes or adds to the places listed on the form during the 30-day period, he or she does not need to report the new place or places until the next required reregistration.

(v) Failure to comply with the requirement of reregistering every 30 days following initial registration pursuant to clause (i) shall be punished in accordance with paragraph (6) of subdivision (g). Failure to comply with any other requirement of this section shall be punished in accordance with either paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (g).

(vi) A transient who moves out of state shall inform, in person, the chief of police in the city in which he or she is physically present, or the sheriff of the county if he or she is physically present in an unincorporated area or city that has no police department, within five working days, of his or her move out of state. The transient shall inform that registering agency of his or her planned destination, residence or transient location out of state, and any plans he or she has to return to California, if known. The law enforcement agency shall, within three days after receipt of this information, forward a copy of the change of location information to the Department of Justice. The department shall forward appropriate registration data to the law enforcement agency having local jurisdiction of the new place of residence or location.

(vii) For purposes of this section, "transient" means a person who has no residence. "Residence" means one or more addresses at which a person regularly resides, regardless of the number of days or nights spent there, such as a shelter or structure that can be located by a street address, including, but not limited to, houses, apartment buildings, motels, hotels, homeless shelters, and recreational and other vehicles.

(viii) The transient registrant's duty to update his or her registration no less than every 30 days shall begin with his or her second transient update following the date this subdivision became effective.

(D) Beginning on his or her first birthday following registration or change of address, the person shall be required to register annually, within five working days of his or her birthday, to update his or her registration with the entities described in subparagraph (A). At the annual update, the person shall provide current information as required on the Department of Justice annual update form, including the information described in subparagraphs (A) to (C), inclusive, of paragraph (2) of subdivision (e).

(E) In addition, every person who has ever been adjudicated a sexually violent predator, as defined in Section 6600 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, shall, after his or her release from custody, verify his or her address no less than once every 90 days and place of employment, including the name and address of the employer, in a manner established by the Department of Justice.

(F) No entity shall require a person to pay a fee to register or update his or her registration pursuant to this section. The

registering agency shall submit registrations, including annual updates or changes of address, directly into the Department of Justice Violent Crime Information Network (VCIN). The registering agency shall give the registrant a copy of the completed Department of Justice form each time the person registers or reregisters, including at the annual update.

(G) Persons required to register in their state of residence who are out-of-state residents employed, or carrying on a vocation in California on a full-time or part-time basis, with or without compensation, for more than 14 days, or for an aggregate period exceeding 30 days in a calendar year, shall register in accordance with subparagraph (A). Persons described in paragraph (2) who are out-of-state residents enrolled in any educational institution in California, as defined in Section 22129 of the Education Code, on a full-time or part-time basis, shall register in accordance with subparagraph (A). The place where the out-of-state resident is located, for purposes of registration, shall be the place where the person is employed, carrying on a vocation, or attending school. The out-of-state resident subject to this subparagraph shall, in addition to the information required pursuant to subdivision (e), provide the registering authority with the name of his or her place of employment or the name of the school attended in California, and his or her address or location in his or her state of residence. The registration requirement for persons subject to this subparagraph shall become operative on November 25, 2000. "Employed" or "carrying on a vocation" includes employment whether or not financially compensated, volunteered, or performed for government or educational benefit.

(2) The following persons shall be required to register pursuant to paragraph (1):

(A) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been or is hereafter convicted in any court in this state or in any federal or military court of a violation of Section 187 committed in the perpetration, or an attempt to perpetrate, rape or any act punishable under Section 286, 288, 288a, or 289, Section 207 or 209 committed with intent to violate Section 261, 286, 288, 288a, or 289, Section 220, except assault to commit mayhem, Section 243.4, paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), or (6) of subdivision (a) of Section 261, or paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 262 involving the use of force or violence for which the person is sentenced to the state

prison, Section 264.1, 266, or 266c, subdivision (b) of Section 266h, subdivision (b) of Section 266i, Section 266j, 267, 269, 285, 286, 288, 288a, 288.3, 288.5, 288.7, or 289, Section 311.1, subdivision (b), (c), or (d) of Section 311.2, Section 311.3, 311.4, 311.10, 311.11, or 647.6, former Section 647a, subdivision (c) of Section 653f, subdivision 1 or 2 of Section 314, any offense involving lewd or lascivious conduct under Section 272, or any felony violation of Section 288.2; or any statutory predecessor that includes all elements of one of the above-mentioned offenses; or any person who since that date has been or is hereafter convicted of the attempt or conspiracy to commit any of the above-mentioned offenses.

(B) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been or hereafter is released, discharged, or paroled from a penal institution where he or she was confined because of the commission or attempted commission of one of the offenses described in subparagraph (A).

(C) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been or hereafter is determined to be a mentally disordered sex offender under Article 1 (commencing with Section 6300) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code or any person who has been found guilty in the guilt phase of a trial for an offense for which registration is required by this section but who has been found not guilty by reason of insanity in the sanity phase of the trial.

(D) (i) Any person who, since July 1, 1944, has been, or is hereafter convicted in any other court, including any state, federal, or military court, of any offense that, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the offenses described in subparagraph (A), including offenses in which the person was a principal, as defined in Section 31.

(ii) Any person ordered by any other court, including any state, federal, or military court, to register as a sex offender for any offense, if the court found at the time of conviction or sentencing that the person committed the offense as a result of sexual compulsion or for purposes of sexual gratification.

(iii) (I) Except as provided in subclause (II), any person who would be required to register while residing in the state of conviction for a sex offense committed in that state.

(II) Notwithstanding subclause (I), a person convicted in another state of an offense similar to one of the following offenses who is

required to register in the state of conviction shall not be required to register in California unless the out-of-state offense contains all of the elements of a registerable California offense described in subparagraph (A):

(aa) Indecent exposure, pursuant to Section 314.

(ab) Unlawful sexual intercourse, pursuant to Section 261.5.

(ac) Incest, pursuant to Section 285.

(ad) Sodomy, pursuant to Section 286, or oral copulation, pursuant to Section 288a, provided that the offender notifies the Department of Justice that the sodomy or oral copulation conviction was for conduct between consenting adults, as described in subparagraph (G) and the department is able, upon the exercise of reasonable diligence, to verify that fact.

(ae) Pimping, pursuant to Section 266h, or pandering, pursuant to Section 266i.

(E) Any person ordered by any court to register pursuant to this section for any offense not included specifically in this section if the court finds at the time of conviction or sentencing that the person committed the offense as a result of sexual compulsion or for purposes of sexual gratification. The court shall state on the record the reasons for its findings and the reasons for requiring registration.

(F) Any person required to register pursuant to any provision of this section, regardless of whether the person's conviction has been dismissed pursuant to Section 1203.4, unless the person obtains a certificate of rehabilitation and is entitled to relief from registration pursuant to Section 290.5.

(G) (i) Notwithstanding any other subdivision, a person who was convicted before January 1, 1976, under subdivision (a) of Section 286, or Section 288a, shall not be required to register pursuant to this section for that conviction if the conviction was for conduct between consenting adults that was decriminalized by Chapter 71 of the Statutes of 1975 or Chapter 1139 of the Statutes of 1976. The Department of Justice shall remove that person from the Sex Offender Registry, and the person is discharged from his or her duty to register pursuant to the following procedure:

(I) The person submits to the Department of Justice official documentary evidence, including court records or police reports, that demonstrate that the person's conviction pursuant to either of

those sections was for conduct between consenting adults that was decriminalized.

(II) The person submits to the department a declaration stating that the person's conviction pursuant to either of those sections was for consensual conduct between adults that has been decriminalized. The declaration shall be confidential and not a public record, and shall include the person's name, address, telephone number, date of birth, and a summary of the circumstances leading to the conviction, including the date of the conviction and county of the occurrence.

(III) The department shall determine whether the person's conviction was for conduct between consensual adults that has been decriminalized. If the conviction was for consensual conduct between adults that has been decriminalized, and the person has no other offenses for which he or she is required to register pursuant to this section, the department shall, within 60 days of receipt of those documents, notify the person that he or she is relieved of the duty to register, and shall notify the local law enforcement agency with which the person is registered that he or she has been relieved of the duty to register. The local law enforcement agency shall remove the person's registration from its files within 30 days of receipt of notification. If the documentary or other evidence submitted is insufficient to establish the person's claim, the department shall, within 60 days of receipt of those documents, notify the person that his or her claim cannot be established, and that the person shall continue to register pursuant to this section. The department shall provide, upon the person's request, any information relied upon by the department in making its determination that the person shall continue to register pursuant to this section. Any person whose claim has been denied by the department pursuant to this clause may petition the court to appeal the department's denial of the person's claim.

(ii) On or before July 1, 1998, the department shall make a report to the Legislature concerning the status of persons who may come under the provisions of this subparagraph, including the number of persons who were convicted before January 1, 1976, under subdivision (a) of Section 286 or Section 288a and are required to register under this section, the average age of these persons, the number of these persons who have any subsequent convictions for a registerable sex offense, and the number of these persons who

have sought successfully or unsuccessfully to be relieved of their duty to register under this section.

(b) (1) Any person who is released, discharged, or paroled from a jail, state or federal prison, school, road camp, or other institution where he or she was confined because of the commission or attempted commission of one of the offenses specified in subdivision (a) or is released from a state hospital to which he or she was committed as a mentally disordered sex offender under Article 1 (commencing with Section 6300) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, shall, prior to discharge, parole, or release, be informed of his or her duty to register under this section by the official in charge of the place of confinement or hospital, and the official shall require the person to read and sign any form that may be required by the Department of Justice, stating that the duty of the person to register under this section has been explained to the person. The official in charge of the place of confinement or hospital shall obtain the address where the person expects to reside upon his or her discharge, parole, or release and shall report the address to the Department of Justice. The official shall at the same time forward a current photograph of the person to the Department of Justice.

(2) The official in charge of the place of confinement or hospital shall give one copy of the form to the person and shall send one copy to the Department of Justice and one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency or agencies having jurisdiction over the place the person expects to reside upon discharge, parole, or release. If the conviction that makes the person subject to this section is a felony conviction, the official in charge shall, not later than 45 days prior to the scheduled release of the person, send one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency or agencies having local jurisdiction where the person expects to reside upon discharge, parole, or release; one copy to the prosecuting agency that prosecuted the person; and one copy to the Department of Justice. The official in charge of the place of confinement or hospital shall retain one copy.

(c) (1) Any person who is convicted in this state of the commission or attempted commission of any of the offenses specified in subdivision (a) and who is released on probation, shall, prior to release or discharge, be informed of the duty to register under this section by the probation department, and a probation

officer shall require the person to read and sign any form that may be required by the Department of Justice, stating that the duty of the person to register under this section has been explained to him or her. The probation officer shall obtain the address where the person expects to reside upon release or discharge and shall report within three days the address to the Department of Justice. The probation officer shall give one copy of the form to the person, send one copy to the Department of Justice, and forward one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency or agencies having local jurisdiction where the person expects to reside upon his or her discharge, parole, or release.

(2) Any person who is convicted in this state of the commission or attempted commission of any of the offenses specified in subdivision (a) and who is granted conditional release without supervised probation, or discharged upon payment of a fine, shall, prior to release or discharge, be informed of the duty to register under this section in open court by the court in which the person has been convicted, and the court shall require the person to read and sign any form that may be required by the Department of Justice, stating that the duty of the person to register under this section has been explained to him or her. If the court finds that it is in the interest of the efficiency of the court, the court may assign the bailiff to require the person to read and sign forms under this section. The court shall obtain the address where the person expects to reside upon release or discharge and shall report within three days the address to the Department of Justice. The court shall give one copy of the form to the person, send one copy to the Department of Justice, and forward one copy to the appropriate law enforcement agency or agencies having local jurisdiction where the person expects to reside upon his or her discharge, parole, or release.

(d) (1) Any person who, on or after January 1, 1986, is discharged or paroled from the Division of Juvenile Justice to the custody of which he or she was committed after having been adjudicated a ward of the juvenile court pursuant to Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code because of the commission or attempted commission of any offense described in paragraph (3) shall be subject to registration under the procedures of this section.

(2) Any person who is discharged or paroled from a facility in another state that is equivalent to the Division of Juvenile Justice, to the custody of which he or she was committed because of an offense that, if committed or attempted in this state, would have been punishable as one or more of the offenses described in paragraph (3), shall be subject to registration under the procedures of this section.

(3) Any person described in this subdivision who committed an offense in violation of any of the following provisions shall be required to register pursuant to this section:

(A) Assault with intent to commit rape, sodomy, oral copulation, or any violation of Section 264.1, 288, or 289 under Section 220.

(B) Any offense defined in paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), or (6) of subdivision (a) of Section 261, Section 264.1, 266c, or 267, paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of, or subdivision (c) or (d) of, Section 286, Section 288 or 288.5, paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of, or subdivision (c) or (d) of, Section 288a, subdivision (a) of Section 289, or Section 647.6.

(C) A violation of Section 207 or 209 committed with the intent to violate Section 261, 286, 288, 288a, or 289.

(4) Prior to discharge or parole from the Division of Juvenile Justice, any person who is subject to registration under this subdivision shall be informed of the duty to register under the procedures set forth in this section. Division of Juvenile Justice officials shall transmit the required forms and information to the Department of Justice.

(5) All records specifically relating to the registration in the custody of the Department of Justice, law enforcement agencies, and other agencies or public officials shall be destroyed when the person who is required to register has his or her records sealed under the procedures set forth in Section 781 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. This subdivision shall not be construed as requiring the destruction of other criminal offender or juvenile records relating to the case that are maintained by the Department of Justice, law enforcement agencies, the juvenile court, or other agencies and public officials unless ordered by a court under Section 781 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(e) (1) On or after January 1, 1998, upon incarceration, placement, or commitment, or prior to release on probation, any person who is required to register under this section shall

preregister. The preregistering official shall be the admitting officer at the place of incarceration, placement, or commitment, or the probation officer if the person is to be released on probation. The preregistration shall consist of all of the following:

(A) A preregistration statement in writing, signed by the person, giving information that shall be required by the Department of Justice.

(B) The fingerprints and a current photograph of the person.

(C) Any person who is preregistered pursuant to this subdivision is required to be preregistered only once.

(2) A person described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) shall register, or reregister if the person has previously registered, upon release from incarceration, placement, commitment, or release on probation pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a). This paragraph shall not apply to a person who is incarcerated for less than 30 days if he or she has registered as required by paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), he or she returns after incarceration to the last registered address, and the annual update of registration that is required to occur within five working days of his or her birthday, pursuant to subparagraph (D) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), did not fall within that incarceration period. The registration shall consist of all of the following:

(A) A statement in writing signed by the person, giving information as shall be required by the Department of Justice and giving the name and address of the person's employer, and the address of the person's place of employment if that is different from the employer's main address.

(B) The fingerprints and a current photograph of the person taken by the registering official.

(C) The license plate number of any vehicle owned by, regularly driven by, or registered in the name of the person.

(D) Notice to the person that, in addition to the requirements of paragraph (4), he or she may have a duty to register in any other state where he or she may relocate.

(E) Copies of adequate proof of residence, which shall be limited to a California driver's license, California identification card, recent rent or utility receipt, printed personalized checks or other recent banking documents showing that person's name and address, or any other information that the registering official believes is reliable. If the person has no residence and no reasonable

expectation of obtaining a residence in the foreseeable future, the person shall so advise the registering official and shall sign a statement provided by the registering official stating that fact. Upon presentation of proof of residence to the registering official or a signed statement that the person has no residence, the person shall be allowed to register. If the person claims that he or she has a residence but does not have any proof of residence, he or she shall be allowed to register but shall furnish proof of residence within 30 days of the date he or she is allowed to register.

(3) Within three days thereafter, the preregistering official or the registering law enforcement agency or agencies shall forward the statement, fingerprints, photograph, and vehicle license plate number, if any, to the Department of Justice.

(f) (1) (A) Any person who was last registered at a residence address pursuant to this section who changes his or her residence address, whether within the jurisdiction in which he or she is currently registered or to a new jurisdiction inside or outside the state, shall, in person, within five working days of the move, inform the law enforcement agency or agencies with which he or she last registered of the move, the new address or transient location, if known, and any plans he or she has to return to California.

(B) If the person does not know the new residence address or location at the time of the move, the registrant shall, in person, within five working days of the move, inform the last registering agency or agencies that he or she is moving. The person shall later notify the last registering agency or agencies, in writing, sent by certified or registered mail, of the new address or location within five working days of moving into the new residence address or location, whether temporary or permanent.

(C) The law enforcement agency or agencies shall, within three working days after receipt of this information, forward a copy of the change of address information to the Department of Justice. The Department of Justice shall forward appropriate registration data to the law enforcement agency or agencies having local jurisdiction of the new place of residence.

(2) If the person's new address is in a Division of Juvenile Justice facility or state mental institution, an official of the place of incarceration, placement, or commitment shall, within 90 days of receipt of the person, forward the registrant's change of address information to the Department of Justice. The agency need not

provide a physical address for the registrant but shall indicate that he or she is serving a period of incarceration or commitment in a facility under the agency's jurisdiction. This paragraph shall apply to persons received in a Division of Juvenile Justice facility or state mental institution on or after January 1, 1999. The Department of Justice shall forward the change of address information to the agency with which the person last registered.

(3) If any person who is required to register pursuant to this section changes his or her name, the person shall inform, in person, the law enforcement agency or agencies with which he or she is currently registered within five working days. The law enforcement agency or agencies shall forward a copy of this information to the Department of Justice within three working days of its receipt.

(g) (1) Any person who is required to register under this section based on a misdemeanor conviction or juvenile adjudication who willfully violates any requirement of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year.

(2) Except as provided in paragraphs (5), (7), and (9), any person who is required to register under this section based on a felony conviction or juvenile adjudication who willfully violates any requirement of this section or who has a prior conviction or juvenile adjudication for the offense of failing to register under this section and who subsequently and willfully violates any requirement of this section is guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months, or two or three years.

If probation is granted or if the imposition or execution of sentence is suspended, it shall be a condition of the probation or suspension that the person serve at least 90 days in a county jail. The penalty described in this paragraph shall apply whether or not the person has been released on parole or has been discharged from parole.

(3) Any person determined to be a mentally disordered sex offender or who has been found guilty in the guilt phase of trial for an offense for which registration is required under this section, but who has been found not guilty by reason of insanity in the sanity phase of the trial, or who has had a petition sustained in a juvenile adjudication for an offense for which registration is required under this section pursuant to subdivision (d), but who

has been found not guilty by reason of insanity, who willfully violates any requirement of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year. For any second or subsequent willful violation of any requirement of this section, the person is guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months, or two or three years.

(4) If, after discharge from parole, the person is convicted of a felony or suffers a juvenile adjudication as specified in this subdivision, he or she shall be required to complete parole of at least one year, in addition to any other punishment imposed under this subdivision. A person convicted of a felony as specified in this subdivision may be granted probation only in the unusual case where the interests of justice would best be served. When probation is granted under this paragraph, the court shall specify on the record and shall enter into the minutes the circumstances indicating that the interests of justice would best be served by the disposition.

(5) Any person who has ever been adjudicated a sexually violent predator, as defined in Section 6600 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, and who fails to verify his or her registration every 90 days as required pursuant to subparagraph (E) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison, or in a county jail not exceeding one year.

(6) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (5), any person who is required to register or reregister pursuant to clause (i) of subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) and willfully fails to comply with the requirement that he or she reregister no less than every 30 days is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by imprisonment in a county jail at least 30 days, but not exceeding six months. A person who willfully fails to comply with the requirement that he or she reregister no less than every 30 days shall not be charged with this violation more often than once for a failure to register in any period of 90 days. Any person who willfully commits a third or subsequent violation of the requirements of subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) that he or she reregister no less than every 30 days shall be punished in accordance with either paragraph (1) or (2) of this subdivision.

(7) Any person who fails to provide proof of residence as required by subparagraph (E) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (e),

regardless of the offense upon which the duty to register is based, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding six months.

(8) Any person who is required to register under this section who willfully violates any requirement of this section is guilty of a continuing offense as to each requirement he or she violated.

(9) In addition to any other penalty imposed under this subdivision, the failure to provide information required on registration and reregistration forms of the Department of Justice, or the provision of false information, is a crime punishable by imprisonment in a county jail for a period not exceeding one year.

(h) Whenever any person is released on parole or probation and is required to register under this section but fails to do so within the time prescribed, the parole authority or the court, as the case may be, shall order the parole or probation of the person revoked. For purposes of this subdivision, "parole authority" has the same meaning as described in Section 3000.

(i) Except as otherwise provided by law, the statements, photographs, and fingerprints required by this section shall not be open to inspection by the public or by any person other than a regularly employed peace officer or other law enforcement officer.

(j) In any case in which a person who would be required to register pursuant to this section for a felony conviction is to be temporarily sent outside the institution where he or she is confined on any assignment within a city or county including firefighting, disaster control, or whatever the assignment may be, the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the place or places where the assignment shall occur shall be notified within a reasonable time prior to removal from the institution. This subdivision shall not apply to any person who is temporarily released under guard from the institution where he or she is confined.

(k) As used in this section, "mentally disordered sex offender" includes any person who has been determined to be a sexual psychopath or a mentally disordered sex offender under any provision which, on or before January 1, 1976, was contained in Division 6 (commencing with Section 6000) of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

(*l*) (1) Every person who, prior to January 1, 1997, is required to register under this section, shall be notified whenever he or she

next reregisters of the reduction of the registration period from 14 to 5 working days. This notice shall be provided in writing by the registering agency or agencies. Failure to receive this notification shall be a defense against the penalties prescribed by subdivision (g) if the person did register within 14 days.

(2) Every person who, as a sexually violent predator, as defined in Section 6600 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, is required to verify his or her registration every 90 days, shall be notified wherever he or she next registers of his or her increased registration obligations. This notice shall be provided in writing by the registering agency or agencies. Failure to receive this notice shall be a defense against the penalties prescribed by paragraph (5) of subdivision (g).

(m) The registration provisions of this section are applicable to every person described in this section, without regard to when his or her crime or crimes were committed or his or her duty to register pursuant to this section arose, and to every offense described in this section, regardless of when it was committed.

(n) On or before June 1, 2010, the Department of Justice shall renovate the VCIN to do the following:

(1) Correct all software deficiencies affecting data integrity and include designated data fields for all mandated sex offender data.

(2) Consolidate and simplify program logic, thereby increasing system performance and reducing system maintenance costs.

(3) Provide all necessary data storage, processing, and search capabilities.

(4) Provide law enforcement agencies with full Internet access to all sex offender data and photos.

(5) Incorporate a flexible design structure to readily meet future demands for enhanced system functionality, including public Internet access to sex offender information pursuant to Section 290.46.

SEC. 188. Section 295 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

295. (a) This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the DNA and Forensic Identification Database and Data Bank Act of 1998, as amended.

(b) The people of the State of California set forth all of the following:

(1) Deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) and forensic identification analysis is a useful law enforcement tool for identifying and prosecuting criminal offenders and exonerating the innocent.

(2) It is the intent of the people of the State of California, in order to further the purposes of this chapter, to require DNA and forensic identification data bank samples from all persons, including juveniles, for the felony and misdemeanor offenses described in subdivision (a) of Section 296.

(3) It is necessary to enact this act defining and governing the state's DNA and forensic identification database and data bank in order to clarify existing law and to enable the state's DNA and Forensic Identification Database and Data Bank Program to become a more effective law enforcement tool.

(c) The purpose of the DNA and Forensic Identification Database and Data Bank Program is to assist federal, state, and local criminal justice and law enforcement agencies within and outside California in the expeditious and accurate detection and prosecution of individuals responsible for sex offenses and other crimes, the exclusion of suspects who are being investigated for these crimes, and the identification of missing and unidentified persons, particularly abducted children.

(d) Like the collection of fingerprints, the collection of DNA samples pursuant to this chapter is an administrative requirement to assist in the accurate identification of criminal offenders.

(e) Unless otherwise requested by the Department of Justice, collection of biological samples for DNA analysis from qualifying persons under this chapter is limited to collection of inner cheek cells of the mouth (buccal swab samples).

(f) The Department of Justice DNA Laboratory may obtain through federal, state, or local law enforcement agencies blood specimens from qualifying persons as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 296, and according to procedures set forth in Section 298, when it is determined in the discretion of the Department of Justice that such specimens are necessary in a particular case or would aid the department in obtaining an accurate forensic DNA profile for identification purposes.

(g) The Department of Justice, through its DNA Laboratory, shall be responsible for the management and administration of the state's DNA and Forensic Identification Database and Data Bank Program and for liaison with the Federal Bureau of Investigation

(FBI) regarding the state's participation in a national or international DNA database and data bank program such as the FBI's Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) that allows the storage and exchange of DNA records submitted by state and local forensic DNA laboratories nationwide.

(h) The Department of Justice shall be responsible for implementing this chapter.

(1) The Department of Justice DNA Laboratory, and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation may adopt policies and enact regulations for the implementation of this chapter, as necessary, to give effect to the intent and purpose of this chapter, and to ensure that data bank blood specimens, buccal swab samples, and thumb and palm print impressions as required by this chapter are collected from qualifying persons in a timely manner, as soon as possible after arrest, conviction, or a plea or finding of guilty, no contest, or not guilty by reason of insanity, or upon any disposition rendered in the case of a juvenile who is adjudicated under Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code for commission of any of this chapter's enumerated qualifying offenses, including attempts, or when it is determined that a qualifying person has not given the required specimens, samples or print impressions. Before adopting any policy or regulation implementing this chapter, the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall seek advice from and consult with the Department of Justice DNA Laboratory Director.

(2) Given the specificity of this chapter, and except as provided in subdivision (c) of Section 298.1, any administrative bulletins, notices, regulations, policies, procedures, or guidelines adopted by the Department of Justice and its DNA Laboratory or the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for the purpose of the implementing this chapter are exempt from the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340), Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 11370), Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 11400), and Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

(3) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall submit copies of any of its policies and regulations with respect to this chapter to the Department of Justice DNA Laboratory Director, and quarterly shall submit to the director written reports

updating the director as to the status of its compliance with this chapter.

(4) On or before April 1 in the year following adoption of the act that added this paragraph, and quarterly thereafter, the Department of Justice DNA Laboratory shall submit a quarterly report to be published electronically on a Department of Justice Internet Web site and made available for public review. The quarterly report shall state the total number of samples received, the number of samples received from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, the number of samples fully analyzed for inclusion in the CODIS database, and the number of profiles uploaded into the CODIS database for the reporting period. Each quarterly report shall state the total, annual, and quarterly number of qualifying profiles in the Department of Justice DNA Laboratory data bank both from persons and case evidence, and the number of hits and investigations aided, as reported to the National DNA Index System. The quarterly report shall also confirm the laboratory's accreditation status and participation in CODIS and shall include an accounting of the funds collected, expended, and disbursed pursuant to subdivision (k).

(5) On or before April 1 in the year following adoption of the act that added this paragraph, and quarterly thereafter, the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall submit a quarterly report to be published electronically on a Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Internet Web site and made available for public review. The quarterly report shall state the total number of inmates housed in state correctional facilities, including a breakdown of those housed in state prisons, camps, community correctional facilities, and other facilities such as prisoner mother facilities. Each quarterly report shall also state the total, annual, and quarterly number of inmates who have yet to provide specimens, samples and print impressions pursuant to this chapter and the number of specimens, samples and print impressions that have yet to be forwarded to the Department of Justice DNA Laboratory within 30 days of collection.

(i) (1) When the specimens, samples, and print impressions required by this chapter are collected at a county jail or other county facility, including a private community correctional facility, the county sheriff or chief administrative officer of the county jail

or other facility shall be responsible for ensuring all of the following:

(A) The requisite specimens, samples, and print impressions are collected from qualifying persons immediately following arrest, conviction, or adjudication, or during the booking or intake or reception center process at that facility, or reasonably promptly thereafter.

(B) The requisite specimens, samples, and print impressions are collected as soon as administratively practicable after a qualifying person reports to the facility for the purpose of providing specimens, samples, and print impressions.

(C) The specimens, samples, and print impressions collected pursuant to this chapter are forwarded immediately to the Department of Justice, and in compliance with department policies.

(2) The specimens, samples, and print impressions required by this chapter shall be collected by a person using a collection kit approved by the Department of Justice and in accordance with the requirements and procedures set forth in subdivision (b) of Section 298.

(3) The counties shall be reimbursed for the costs of obtaining specimens, samples, and print impressions subject to the conditions and limitations set forth by the Department of Justice policies governing reimbursement for collecting specimens, samples, and print impressions pursuant to Section 76104.6 of the Government Code.

(j) The trial court may order that a portion of the costs assessed pursuant to Section 1203.1c, 1203.1e, or 1203.1m include a reasonable portion of the cost of obtaining specimens, samples, and print impressions in furtherance of this chapter and the funds collected pursuant to this subdivision shall be deposited in the DNA Identification Fund as created by Section 76104.6 of the Government Code.

(k) The Department of Justice DNA Laboratory shall be known as the Jan Bashinski DNA Laboratory.

SEC. 189. Section 298.1 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

298.1. (a) As of the effective date of this chapter, any person who refuses to give any or all of the following, blood specimens, saliva samples, or thumb or palm print impressions as required by this chapter, once he or she has received written notice from the Department of Justice, the Department of Corrections and

Rehabilitation, any law enforcement personnel, or officer of the court that he or she is required to provide specimens, samples, and print impressions pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor. The refusal or failure to give any or all of the following, a blood specimen, saliva sample, or thumb or palm print impression is punishable as a separate offense by both a fine of five hundred dollars ($500) and imprisonment of up to one year in a county jail, or if the person is already imprisoned in the state prison, by sanctions for misdemeanors according to a schedule determined by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

(b) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), authorized law enforcement, custodial, or corrections personnel, including peace officers as defined in Sections 830, 830.1, subdivision (d) of Section 830.2, Sections 830.5, 830.38, or 830.55, may employ reasonable force to collect blood specimens, saliva samples, or thumb or palm print impressions pursuant to this chapter from individuals who, after written or oral request, refuse to provide those specimens, samples, or thumb or palm print impressions.

(2) The withdrawal of blood shall be performed in a medically approved manner in accordance with the requirements of paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 298.

(3) The use of reasonable force as provided in this subdivision shall be carried out in a manner consistent with regulations and guidelines adopted pursuant to subdivision (c).

(c) (1) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and the Division of Juvenile Justice shall adopt regulations governing the use of reasonable force as provided in subdivision (b), which shall include the following:

(A) "Use of reasonable force" shall be defined as the force that an objective, trained, and competent correctional employee, faced with similar facts and circumstances, would consider necessary and reasonable to gain compliance with this chapter.

(B) The use of reasonable force shall not be authorized without the prior written authorization of the supervising officer on duty. The authorization shall include information that reflects the fact that the offender was asked to provide the requisite specimen, sample, or impression and refused.

(C) The use of reasonable force shall be preceded by efforts to secure voluntary compliance with this section.

(D) If the use of reasonable force includes a cell extraction, the regulations shall provide that the extraction be videotaped.

(2) The Corrections Standards Authority shall adopt guidelines governing the use of reasonable force as provided in subdivision (b) for local detention facilities, which shall include the following:

(A) "Use of reasonable force" shall be defined as the force that an objective, trained and competent correctional employee, faced with similar facts and circumstances, would consider necessary and reasonable to gain compliance with this chapter.

(B) The use of reasonable force shall not be authorized without the prior written authorization of the supervising officer on duty. The authorization shall include information that reflects the fact that the offender was asked to provide the requisite specimen, sample, or impression and refused.

(C) The use of reasonable force shall be preceded by efforts to secure voluntary compliance with this section.

(D) If the use of reasonable force includes a cell extraction, the extraction shall be videotaped.

(3) The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, the Division of Juvenile Justice, and the Corrections Standards Authority shall report to the Legislature not later than January 1, 2005, on the use of reasonable force pursuant to this section. The report shall include, but is not limited to, the number of refusals, the number of incidents of the use of reasonable force under this section, the type of force used, the efforts undertaken to obtain voluntary compliance, if any, and whether any medical attention was needed by the prisoner or personnel as a result of force being used.

SEC. 190. Section 374.5 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

374.5. (a) It is unlawful for any grease waste hauler to do either of the following:

(1) Reinsert, deposit, dump, place, release, or discharge into a grease trap, grease interceptor, manhole, cleanout, or other sanitary sewer appurtenance any materials that the hauler has removed from the grease trap or grease interceptor, or to cause those materials to be so handled.

(2) Cause or permit to be discharged in or on any waters of the state, or discharged in or deposited where it is, or probably will be, discharged in or on any waters of the state, any materials that

the hauler has removed from the grease trap or grease interceptor, or to cause those materials to be so handled.

(b) The prohibition in subdivision (a), as it pertains to reinsertion of material removed from a grease trap or grease interceptor, shall not apply to a grease waste hauler if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The local sewer authority having jurisdiction over the pumping and disposal of the material specifically allows a registered grease waste hauler to obtain written approval for the reinsertion of decanted liquid.

(2) The local sewer authority has determined that, if reinsertion is allowed, it is feasible to enforce local discharge limits for fats, oil, and grease, if any, and other local requirements for best management or operating practices, if any.

(3) The grease waste hauler is registered pursuant to Section 19310 of the Food and Agricultural Code.

(4) The registered grease waste hauler demonstrates to the satisfaction of the local sewer authority all of the following:

(A) It will use equipment that will adequately separate the water from the grease waste and solids in the material so as to comply with applicable regulations.

(B) Its employees are adequately trained in the use of that equipment.

(5) The registered grease waste hauler demonstrates both of the following:

(A) It has informed the managerial personnel of the owner or operator of the grease trap or interceptor, in writing, that the grease waste hauler may reinsert the decanted materials, unless the owner or operator objects to the reinsertion.

(B) The owner or operator has not objected to the reinsertion of the decanted materials. If the owner or operator of the grease trap or interceptor objects to the reinsertion, no decanted material may be inserted in that grease trap or interceptor.

(c) A grease waste hauler shall not transport grease removed from a grease trap or grease interceptor in the same vehicle used for transporting other waste, including, but not limited to, yellow grease, cooking grease, recyclable cooking oil, septic waste, or fluids collected at car washes.

(d) For purposes of this section, a “grease waste hauler” is a transporter of inedible kitchen grease subject to registration

requirements pursuant to Section 19310 of the Food and Agricultural Code.

(e) Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in a county jail for not more than six months or a fine of not more than ten thousand dollars ($10,000), or both a fine and imprisonment.

A second and subsequent conviction, shall be punishable by imprisonment in a county jail for not more than one year, or a fine of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000), or both a fine and imprisonment.

(f) Notwithstanding Section 1463, the fines paid pursuant to this section shall be apportioned as follows:

(1) Fifty percent shall be deposited in the Environmental Enforcement and Training Account established pursuant to Section 14303, and used for purposes of Title 13 (commencing with Section 14300) of Part 4.

(2) Twenty-five percent shall be distributed pursuant to Section 1463.001.

(3) Twenty-five percent to the local health officer or other local public officer or agency that investigated the matter which led to bringing the action.

(g) If the court finds that the violator has engaged in a practice or pattern of violation, consisting of two or more convictions, the court may bar the violating individual or business from engaging in the business of grease waste hauling for a period not to exceed five years.

(h) The court may require, in addition to any fine imposed upon conviction, that as a condition of probation and in addition to any other punishment or condition of probation, that a person convicted under this section remove, or pay the cost of removing, to the extent they are able, any materials which the convicted person dumped or caused to be dumped in violation of this section.

(i) This section does not prohibit the direct receipt of trucked grease by a publicly owned treatment works.

SEC. 191. Section 977 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

977. (a) (1) In all cases in which the accused is charged with a misdemeanor only, he or she may appear by counsel only, except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3). If the accused agrees, the initial court appearance, arraignment, and plea may be by video, as provided by subdivision (c).

(2) If the accused is charged with a misdemeanor offense involving domestic violence, as defined in Section 6211 of the Family Code, or a misdemeanor violation of Section 273.6, the accused shall be present for arraignment and sentencing, and at any time during the proceedings when ordered by the court for the purpose of being informed of the conditions of a protective order issued pursuant to Section 136.2.

(3) If the accused is charged with a misdemeanor offense involving driving under the influence, in an appropriate case, the court may order a defendant to be present for arraignment, at the time of plea, or at sentencing. For purposes of this paragraph, a misdemeanor offense involving driving under the influence shall include a misdemeanor violation of any of the following:

(A) Paragraph (3) of subdivision (c) of Section 192.

(B) Section 23103 as specified in Section 23103.5 of the Vehicle Code.

(C) Section 23152 of the Vehicle Code.

(D) Section 23153 of the Vehicle Code.

(b) (1) In all cases in which a felony is charged, the accused shall be present at the arraignment, at the time of plea, during the preliminary hearing, during those portions of the trial when evidence is taken before the trier of fact, and at the time of the imposition of sentence. The accused shall be personally present at all other proceedings unless he or she shall, with leave of court, execute in open court, a written waiver of his or her right to be personally present, as provided by paragraph (2). If the accused agrees, the initial court appearance, arraignment, and plea may be by video, as provided by subdivision (c).

(2) The accused may execute a written waiver of his or her right to be personally present, approved by his or her counsel, and the waiver shall be filed with the court. However, the court may specifically direct the defendant to be personally present at any particular proceeding or portion thereof. The waiver shall be substantially in the following form:

"Waiver of Defendant's Personal Presence"

"The undersigned defendant, having been advised of his or her right to be present at all stages of the proceedings, including, but not limited to, presentation of and arguments on questions of fact

and law, and to be confronted by and cross-examine all witnesses, hereby waives the right to be present at the hearing of any motion or other proceeding in this cause. The undersigned defendant hereby requests the court to proceed during every absence of the defendant that the court may permit pursuant to this waiver, and hereby agrees that his or her interest is represented at all times by the presence of his or her attorney the same as if the defendant were personally present in court, and further agrees that notice to his or her attorney that his or her presence in court on a particular day at a particular time is required is notice to the defendant of the requirement of his or her appearance at that time and place."

(c) The court may permit the initial court appearance and arraignment in superior court of defendants held in any state, county, or local facility within the county on felony or misdemeanor charges, except for those defendants who were indicted by a grand jury, to be conducted by two-way electronic audiovideo communication between the defendant and the courtroom in lieu of the physical presence of the defendant in the courtroom. If the defendant is represented by counsel, the attorney shall be present with the defendant at the initial court appearance and arraignment, and may enter a plea during the arraignment. However, if the defendant is represented by counsel at an initial hearing in superior court in a felony case, and if the defendant does not plead guilty or nolo contendere to any charge, the attorney shall be present with the defendant or if the attorney is not present with the defendant, the attorney shall be present in court during the hearing. The defendant shall have the right to make his or her plea while physically present in the courtroom if he or she so requests. If the defendant decides not to exercise the right to be physically present in the courtroom, he or she shall execute a written waiver of that right. A judge may order a defendant's personal appearance in court for the initial court appearance and arraignment. In a misdemeanor case, a judge may, pursuant to this subdivision, accept a plea of guilty or no contest from a defendant who is not physically in the courtroom. In a felony case, a judge may, pursuant to this subdivision, accept a plea of guilty or no contest from a defendant who is not physically in the courtroom if the parties stipulate thereto.

(d) Notwithstanding subdivision (c), if the defendant is represented by counsel, the attorney shall be present with the

defendant in any county exceeding 4,000,000 persons in population.

SEC. 192. Section 1037.1 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1037.1. (a) Change of venue costs, as defined in Section 1037, that are court operations, as defined in Section 77003 of the Government Code and Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court, shall be considered court costs to be charged against and paid by the transferring court to the receiving court.

(b) The Judicial Council shall adopt financial policies and procedures to ensure the timely payment of court costs pursuant to this section. The policies and procedures shall include, but are not limited to, both of the following:

(1) The requirement that courts approve a budget and a timeline for reimbursement before the beginning of the trial.

(2) A process for the Administrative Office of the Courts to mediate any disputes regarding costs between transferring and receiving courts.

(c) (1) The presiding judge of the transferring court, or his or her designee, shall authorize the payment for the reimbursement of court costs out of the court operations fund of the transferring court.

(2) Payments for the reimbursement of court costs shall be deposited into the court operations fund of the receiving court.

SEC. 193. Section 1037.2 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1037.2. (a) Change of venue costs, as defined in Section 1037, that are incurred by the receiving county and not defined as court operations under Section 77003 of the Government Code or Rule 10.810 of the California Rules of Court shall be considered to be county costs to be paid by the transferring county to the receiving county. County costs include, but are not limited to, alterations, including all construction-related costs, to a courthouse made that only resulted from the transfer of the trial, rental of furniture or equipment that only resulted from the transfer of the trial, inmate transportation provided by the county sheriff from the jail to the courthouse, security of the inmate or other participants in the trial, unique or extraordinary costs for the extended storage and safekeeping of evidence related to the trial, rental of jury parking lot, jury parking lot security and related costs, security expenses

incurred by the county sheriff or a contracted agency that resulted only from the transfer of the trial, and information services for the court, jury, public, or media.

(b) Transferring counties shall approve a budget and a timeline for the payment of county costs before the beginning of trial.

(c) Claims for the costs described in subdivision (a) shall be forwarded to the treasurer and auditor of the transferring county on a monthly basis. The treasurer shall pay the amount of county costs out of the general funds of the transferring county within 30 days of receiving the claim for costs from the receiving county.

(d) (1) The transferring court may, in its sound discretion, determine the reasonable and necessary costs under this section.

(2) The transferring court's approval of costs shall become effective 10 days after the court has given written notice of the costs to the auditor of the transferring county.

(3) During the 10-day period specified in paragraph (2), the auditor of the transferring county may contest the costs approved by the transferring court.

(4) If the auditor of the transferring county fails to contest the costs within the 10-day period specified in paragraph (2), the transferring county shall be deemed to have waived the right to contest the imposition of these costs.

SEC. 193.5. Section 12082 of the Penal Code is amended to read:

12082. (a) A person shall complete any sale, loan, or transfer of a firearm through a person licensed pursuant to Section 12071 in accordance with this section in order to comply with subdivision (d) of Section 12072. The seller or transferor or the person loaning the firearm shall deliver the firearm to the dealer who shall retain possession of that firearm. The dealer shall then deliver the firearm to the purchaser or transferee or the person being loaned the firearm, if it is not prohibited, in accordance with subdivision (c) of Section 12072. If the dealer cannot legally deliver the firearm to the purchaser or transferee or the person being loaned the firearm, the dealer shall forthwith, without waiting for the conclusion of the waiting period described in Sections 12071 and 12072, return the firearm to the transferor or seller or the person loaning the firearm. The dealer shall not return the firearm to the seller or transferor or the person loaning the firearm when to do so would constitute a violation of subdivision (a) of Section 12072.

If the dealer cannot legally return the firearm to the transferor or seller or the person loaning the firearm, then the dealer shall forthwith deliver the firearm to the sheriff of the county or the chief of police or other head of a municipal police department of any city or city and county who shall then dispose of the firearm in the manner provided by Sections 12028 and 12032. The purchaser or transferee or person being loaned the firearm may be required by the dealer to pay a fee not to exceed ten dollars ($10) per firearm, and no other fee may be charged by the dealer for a sale, loan, or transfer of a firearm conducted pursuant to this section, except for the applicable fee that the Department of Justice may charge pursuant to Section 12076. Nothing in these provisions shall prevent a dealer from charging a smaller fee. The fee that the department may charge is the fee that would be applicable pursuant to Section 12076, if the dealer was selling, transferring, or delivering a firearm to a purchaser or transferee or a person being loaned a firearm, without any other parties being involved in the transaction.

(b) The Attorney General shall adopt regulations under this section to do all of the following:

(1) Allow the seller or transferor ~~of~~ *or* the person loaning the firearm, and the purchaser or transferee or the person being loaned the firearm, to complete a sale, loan, or transfer through a dealer, and to allow those persons and the dealer to comply with the requirements of this section and Sections 12071, 12072, 12076, and 12077 and to preserve the confidentiality of those records.

(2) Where a personal handgun importer is selling or transferring a pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person to comply with clause (ii) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) of Section 12072, to allow a personal handgun importer's ownership of the pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon the person being sold or transferred to be recorded in a manner that if the firearm is returned to that personal handgun importer because the sale or transfer cannot be completed, the Department of Justice will have sufficient information about that personal handgun importer so that a record of his or her ownership can be maintained in the registry provided by subdivision (c) of Section 11106.

(3) Ensure that the register or record of electronic transfer shall state the name and address of the seller or transferor of the firearm

or the person loaning the firearm and whether or not the person is a personal handgun importer in addition to any other information required by Section 12077.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a dealer who does not sell, transfer, or keep an inventory of handguns is not required to process private party transfers of handguns.

(d) A violation of this section by a dealer is a misdemeanor.

SEC. 194. Section 1458 of the Probate Code is amended to read:

1458. (a) On or before January 1, 2008, the Judicial Council shall report to the Legislature the findings of a study measuring court effectiveness in conservatorship cases. The report shall include all of the following with respect to the courts chosen for evaluation:

(1) A summary of caseload statistics, including both temporary and permanent conservatorships, bonds, court investigations, accountings, and use of professional conservators.

(2) An analysis of compliance with statutory timeframes.

(3) A description of any operational differences between courts that affect the processing of conservatorship cases, including timeframes.

(b) The Judicial Council shall select three courts for the evaluation mandated by this section.

(c) The report shall include recommendations for statewide performance measures to be collected, best practices that serve to protect the rights of conservatees, and staffing needs to meet case processing measures.

(d) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2009, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2009, deletes or extends that date.

SEC. 195. Section 2352.5 of the Probate Code is amended to read:

2352.5. (a) It shall be presumed that the personal residence of the conservatee at the time of commencement of the proceeding is the least restrictive appropriate residence for the conservatee. In any hearing to determine if removal of the conservatee from his or her personal residence is appropriate, that presumption may be overcome by a preponderance of the evidence.

(b) Upon appointment, the conservator shall determine the appropriate level of care for the conservatee.

(1) That determination shall include an evaluation of the level of care existing at the time of commencement of the proceeding and the measures that would be necessary to keep the conservatee in his or her personal residence.

(2) If the conservatee is living at a location other than his or her personal residence at the commencement of the proceeding, that determination shall either include a plan to return the conservatee to his or her personal residence or an explanation of the limitations or restrictions on a return of the conservatee to his or her personal residence in the foreseeable future.

(c) The determination made by the conservator pursuant to subdivision (b) shall be in writing, signed under penalty of perjury, and submitted to the court within 60 days of appointment as conservator.

(d) The conservator shall evaluate the conservatee's placement and level of care if there is a material change in circumstances affecting the conservatee's needs for placement and care.

(e) (1) This section shall not apply to a conservatee with developmental disabilities for whom the Director of Developmental Services or a regional center for the developmentally disabled, established pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 4620) of Division 4.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, acts as the conservator and who receives services from a regional center pursuant to the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Act (Division 4.5 (commencing with Section 4500) of the Welfare and Institutions Code).

(2) Services, including residential placement, for a conservatee described in paragraph (1) who is a consumer, as defined in Section 4512 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, shall be identified, delivered, and evaluated consistent with the individual program plan process described in Article 2 (commencing with Section 4640) of Chapter 5 of Division 4.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

SEC. 196. Section 4690 of the Probate Code is amended to read:

4690. (a) If the principal becomes wholly or partially incapacitated, or if there is a question concerning the capacity of the principal, the agent may consult with a person previously designated by the principal for this purpose, and may also consult with and obtain information needed to carry out the agent's duties

from the principal's spouse, physician, supervising health care provider, attorney, a member of the principal's family, or other person, including a business entity or government agency, with respect to matters covered by the power of attorney for health care.

(b) A person described in subdivision (a) from whom information is requested shall disclose information that the agent requires to carry out his or her duties. Disclosure under this section is not a waiver of any privilege that may apply to the information disclosed.

SEC. 197. Section 21071 of the Public Contract Code is amended to read:

21071. (a) All contracts for any improvement or unit of work except as provided in this article estimated to cost in excess of ten thousand dollars ($10,000) shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder in the manner provided in this article. The board of supervisors of the district shall advertise by three insertions in a daily newspaper of general circulation or two insertions in a weekly newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the district inviting sealed proposals for the construction of, the improvement or work before any contract shall be made for the improvement or work, and may let by contract separately any part of the work or improvement. The board shall require the successful bidder to file with the board good and sufficient bonds to be approved by the board conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract and upon the payment of their claims for labor and material in connection with the contract. The bonds shall contain the terms and conditions set forth in Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 3247) of Title 15 of Part 4 of the Civil Code and be subject to the provisions of that chapter. The board shall also have the right to reject any and all bids. If all proposals are rejected or no proposals are received pursuant to the advertisement, the estimated cost of the work does not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000), or the work consists of channel protection, maintenance work, or emergency work when necessary in order to protect life and property from impending flood damage, the board of supervisors may, without advertising for bids, have the work done by force account or negotiated contract.

(b) The district shall have the power to purchase in the open market without advertising for bids, materials, supplies, equipment, and other personal property for use in any work either under

contract or by force account if the costs do not exceed ten thousand dollars ($10,000). It shall be the duty of the purchasing agent of Ventura County, as the ex officio purchasing agent of the Ventura County Watershed Protection District, unless otherwise ordered by the board of supervisors, to purchase for the district all materials, supplies, equipment, and other personal property necessary to carry out the purposes of this article, and to engage independent contractors to perform sundry services for the district, if the aggregate cost of such work, exclusive of materials to be furnished by the district, does not exceed ten thousand dollars ($10,000).

(c) The purchasing agent shall make all purchases and contracts upon proper requisition, signed by the engineer-manager of the district, or his or her authorized representative.

(d) If the work consists of the maintenance or alteration of existing facilities, including electrical, painting, and roofing if the cost of labor and materials for the work according to the engineer's estimate will exceed five thousand dollars ($5,000), and if the work is not of the type of work referred to in this section, the maintenance and alteration work shall be performed under a contract or contracts that shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder or bidders in the manner described in this section.

SEC. 198. Section 22154 of the Public Contract Code is amended to read:

22154. (a) All businesses shall certify in writing to the contracting officer, or his or her representative, the minimum, if not exact, percentage of postconsumer material in the products, materials, goods, or supplies being offered or sold to any local public entity.

(b) With respect to printer or duplication cartridges that comply with the requirements of subdivision (e) of Section 12156, the certification required by this section shall specify that the cartridges so comply.

(c) A local public entity may waive the certification requirement if the percentage of postconsumer material in the products, materials, goods, or supplies can be verified in a written advertisement, including, but not limited to, a product label, a catalog, or a manufacturer or vendor Internet Web site.

SEC. 199. Section 5096.805 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

5096.805. Unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions set forth in this article govern the construction of this chapter.

(a) "Board" means the Reclamation Board or successor entity.

(b) "Committee" means the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Finance Committee, created by Section 5096.957.

(c) "Delta" means the area of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta as defined in Section 12220 of the Water Code.

(d) "Department" means the Department of Water Resources.

(e) "Facilities of the State Plan of Flood Control" means the levees, weirs, channels, and other features of the federally and state-authorized flood control facilities located in the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River drainage basin for which the board or the department has given the assurances of nonfederal cooperation to the United States required for the project, and those facilities identified in Section 8361 of the Water Code.

(f) "Fund" means the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Fund of 2006, created by Section 5096.806.

(g) "Project levees" means the levees that are part of the facilities of the State Plan of Flood Control.

(h) "Restoration" means the improvement of a physical structure or facility and, in the case of natural system and landscape features, includes, but is not limited to, a project for the control of erosion, the control and elimination of exotic species, including prescribed burning, fuel hazard reduction, fencing out threats to existing or restored natural resources, road elimination, and other plant and wildlife habitat improvement to increase the natural system value of the property. A restoration project shall include the planning, monitoring, and reporting necessary to ensure successful implementation of the project objectives.

(i) "State General Obligation Bond Law" means the State General Obligation Bond Law (Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code).

(j) "State Plan of Flood Control" means the state and federal flood control works, lands, programs, plans, conditions, and mode of maintenance and operations of the Sacramento River Flood Control Project described in Section 8350 of the Water Code, and of flood control projects in the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River watersheds authorized pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 12648) of Chapter 2 of Part 6 of Division 6 of the

Water Code for which the board or the department has provided the assurances of nonfederal cooperation to the United States, which shall be updated by the department and compiled into a single document entitled "The State Plan of Flood Control."

(k) "Urban area" means any contiguous area in which more than 10,000 residents are protected by project levees.

SEC. 200. Section 5096.821 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

5096.821. Three billion dollars ($3,000,000,000) shall be available, upon appropriation to the department, for the following purposes:

(a) The evaluation, repair, rehabilitation, reconstruction, or replacement of levees, weirs, bypasses, and facilities of the State Plan of Flood Control by all of the following actions:

(1) Repairing erosion sites and removing sediment from channels or bypasses.

(2) Evaluating and repairing levees and any other facilities of the State Plan of Flood Control.

(3) Implementing mitigation measures for a project undertaken pursuant to this subdivision. The department may fund participation in a natural community conservation plan pursuant to Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 2800) of Division 3 of the Fish and Game Code to facilitate projects authorized by this subdivision.

(b) Improving or adding facilities to the State Plan of Flood Control to increase levels of flood prevention for urban areas, including all related costs for mitigation and infrastructure relocation. Funds made available by this subdivision may be expended for state financial participation in federal and state authorized flood control projects, feasibility studies and design of federal flood damage reduction and related projects, and reservoir reoperation and groundwater flood storage projects. Not more than two hundred million dollars ($200,000,000) may be expended on a single project, excluding authorized flood control improvements to Folsom Dam.

(c) (1) To reduce the risk of levee failure in the delta.

(2) The funds made available for the purpose specified in paragraph (1) shall be expended for both of the following purposes:

(A) Local assistance under the delta levee maintenance subventions program under Part 9 (commencing with Section

12980) of Division 6 of the Water Code, as that part may be amended.

(B) Special flood protection projects under Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 12310) of Part 4.8 of Division 6 of the Water Code, as that chapter may be amended.

SEC. 201. Section 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

5097.98. (a) Whenever the commission receives notification of a discovery of Native American human remains from a county coroner pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code, it shall immediately notify those persons it believes to be most likely descended from the deceased Native American. The descendants may, with the permission of the owner of the land, or his or her authorized representative, inspect the site of the discovery of the Native American human remains and may recommend to the owner or the person responsible for the excavation work means for treatment or disposition, with appropriate dignity, of the human remains and any associated grave goods. The descendants shall complete their inspection and make recommendations or preferences for treatment within 48 hours of being granted access to the site.

(b) Upon the discovery of Native American remains, the landowner shall ensure that the immediate vicinity, according to generally accepted cultural or archaeological standards or practices, where the Native American human remains are located, is not damaged or disturbed by further development activity until the landowner has discussed and conferred, as prescribed in this section, with the most likely descendants regarding their recommendations, if applicable, taking into account the possibility of multiple human remains. The landowner shall discuss and confer with the descendants all reasonable options regarding the descendants' preferences for treatment.

(1) The descendants' preferences for treatment may include the following:

(A) The nondestructive removal and analysis of human remains and items associated with Native American human remains.

(B) Preservation of Native American human remains and associated items in place.

(C) Relinquishment of Native American human remains and associated items to the descendants for treatment.

(D) Other culturally appropriate treatment.

(2) The parties may also mutually agree to extend discussions, taking into account the possibility that additional or multiple Native American human remains, as defined in this section, are located in the project area, providing a basis for additional treatment measures.

(c) For the purposes of this section, "conferral" or "discuss and confer" means the meaningful and timely discussion and careful consideration of the views of each party, in a manner that is cognizant of all parties' cultural values, and where feasible, seeking agreement. Each party shall recognize the other's needs and concerns for confidentiality of information provided to the other.

(d) (1) Human remains of a Native American may be an inhumation or cremation, and in any state of decomposition or skeletal completeness.

(2) Any items associated with the human remains that are placed or buried with the Native American human remains are to be treated in the same manner as the remains, but do not by themselves constitute human remains.

(e) Whenever the commission is unable to identify a descendant, or the descendants identified fail to make a recommendation, or the landowner or his or her authorized representative rejects the recommendation of the descendants and the mediation provided for in subdivision (k) of Section 5097.94, if invoked, fails to provide measures acceptable to the landowner, the landowner or his or her authorized representative shall reinter the human remains and items associated with Native American human remains with appropriate dignity on the property in a location not subject to further and future subsurface disturbance. To protect these sites, the landowner shall do one or more of the following:

(1) Record the site with the commission or the appropriate Information Center.

(2) Utilize an open-space or conservation zoning designation or easement.

(3) Record a document with the county in which the property is located.

(f) Upon the discovery of multiple Native American human remains during a ground disturbing land development activity, the landowner may agree that additional conferral with the descendants is necessary to consider culturally appropriate treatment of multiple

Native American human remains. Culturally appropriate treatment of such a discovery may be ascertained from a review of the site utilizing cultural and archaeological standards. Where the parties are unable to agree on the appropriate treatment measures the human remains and items associated and buried with Native American human remains shall be reinterred with appropriate dignity, pursuant to subdivision (e).

(g) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 5097.9, this section, including those actions taken by the landowner or his or her authorized representative to implement this section and any action taken to implement an agreement developed pursuant to subdivision (*l*) of Section 5097.94, shall be exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000)).

(h) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 30244, this section, including those actions taken by the landowner or his or her authorized representative to implement this section, and any action taken to implement an agreement developed pursuant to subdivision (*l*) of Section 5097.94 shall be exempt from the requirements of the California Coastal Act of 1976 (Division 20 (commencing with Section 30000)).

SEC. 202. Section 5645 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

5645. The department may award a grant pursuant to this chapter only for a project that meets all of the following criteria:

(a) The proposed project is within the jurisdiction of an eligible applicant, as specified in Section 5644.

(b) The project will result in the creation of a new urban park, new multipurpose facility, or new recreational opportunity.

SEC. 203. Section 6314 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

6314. (a) A person who removes, without authorization from the commission, or a person who destroys or damages an archaeological site or a historic resource, that is located on or in the submerged lands of, and that is the property of, the state, is guilty of a misdemeanor, which shall be punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not to exceed six months or a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars ($5,000), or by both.

(b) The commission, or, at its request, the Attorney General or a district attorney in whose jurisdiction the violation occurred,

may seek civil damages for the damage, loss, or destruction of an abandoned shipwreck, its gear or cargo, or an archaeological site or historic resource located on or in submerged lands of the state. A vessel used to damage, destroy, or cause the loss of, any shipwreck or archaeological site or historic resource is subject to a proceeding in rem by the state for the costs and damages resulting from that damage, destruction, or loss. Enforcement may include, where appropriate, a restraining order or injunctive relief to restrain and enjoin violations or threatened violations of Section 6309, Section 6313, or this section and for the return of items taken in violation of these sections.

(c) An artifact, object, or material that has been removed from a state submerged archaeological site or submerged historic resource, as specified in subdivision (a), and that is found in any watercraft occupied by persons who do not hold a permit as required by Section 6309 or 6313 or other reasonable evidence of legal possession is prima facie evidence of a violation of that section and the artifact, object, or material may be confiscated by a state, federal, or local law enforcement officer. An artifact, an object, or material confiscated pursuant to this section shall be returned to the person claiming ownership, upon proof of ownership or legal right to possession, within 30 days of its confiscation, unless a prosecuting attorney determines that it is required as evidence in the prosecution of a criminal violation.

(d) In a case in which a district attorney, at the request of the commission, or with its concurrence, enforces subdivision (a), the commission shall, notwithstanding Section 1463 of the Penal Code, be entitled to an equal division of the fine imposed.

(e) All state and local law enforcement agencies and officers are directed to assist in enforcing this section, and are requested to work with and seek the cooperation of federal law enforcement agencies, including deputizing federal officers when appropriate.

SEC. 203.5. The heading of Chapter 12 (commencing with Section 5860) of Division 5 of the Public Resources Code, as added by Section 1 of Chapter 827 of the Statutes of 2006, is amended and renumbered to read:

CHAPTER ~~12.~~*13.* CALIFORNIA NATURAL LANDMARKS PROGRAM

SEC. 204. Section 14581 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

14581. (a) Subject to the availability of funds, and pursuant to subdivision (c), the department shall expend the moneys set aside in the fund, pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 14580, for the purposes of this section:

(1) (A) On and after July 1, 2005, to June 30, 2006, inclusive, up to thirty-one million dollars ($31,000,000) may be expended for that fiscal year for the payment of handling fees pursuant to Section 14585.

(B) On and after July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007, inclusive, up to thirty-three million dollars ($33,000,000) may be expended for that fiscal year for the payment of handling fees pursuant to Section 14585.

(C) On and after July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, inclusive, up to thirty-five million dollars ($35,000,000) may be expended for that fiscal year for the payment of handling fees pursuant to Section 14585.

(D) For each fiscal year commencing July 1, 2008, the department may expend the amount necessary to make the required handling fee payment pursuant to Section 14585.

(2) Fifteen million dollars ($15,000,000) shall be expended annually for payments for curbside programs and neighborhood dropoff programs pursuant to Section 14549.6.

(3) (A) Fifteen million dollars ($15,000,000), plus the proportional share of the cost-of-living adjustment, as provided in subdivision (b), shall be expended annually in the form of grants for beverage container litter reduction programs and recycling programs issued to either of the following:

(i) Certified community conservation corps that were in existence on September 30, 1999, or that are formed subsequent to that date, that are designated by a city or a city and county to perform litter abatement, recycling, and related activities, if the city or the city and county has a population, as determined by the most recent census, of more than 250,000 persons.

(ii) Community conservation corps that are designated by a county to perform litter abatement, recycling, and related activities, and are certified by the California Conservation Corps as having operated for a minimum of two years and as meeting all other criteria of Section 14507.5.

(B) Any grants provided pursuant to this paragraph shall not comprise more than 75 percent of the annual budget of a community conservation corps.

(4) (A) On or after July 1, 2007, until June 30, 2008, for only that fiscal year, up to twenty million dollars ($20,000,000) may be expended in the form of competitive grants issued to community conservation corps that are designated by a city or county and that meet all of the following criteria:

(i) Are certified by the California Conservation Corps as having operated for a minimum of two years.

(ii) Meet all other requirements under Section 14507.5.

(B) The department shall prepare and adopt criteria and procedures for evaluating grant applications on a competitive basis. Eligible activities for the use of these funds shall include developing new projects, or enhancing or assisting existing projects, to increase beverage container recycling and increasing the quality of recycled material at the following locations:

(i) Multi-family dwellings.

(ii) Schools.

(iii) Commercial, state, and local government buildings.

(iv) Bars, restaurants, hotels, and lodging establishments, and entertainment venues.

(v) Parks and beaches.

(C) Any grants provided pursuant to this paragraph shall not comprise more than 75 percent of the annual budget of a community conservation corps.

(D) Any grants provided pursuant to this paragraph shall support one-time capital improvement projects and shall not be used to support ongoing staff activities.

(E) Any grant funds appropriated pursuant to this paragraph that have not been awarded to a grantee prior to the end of the 2007–08 fiscal year shall revert to the fund.

(5) (A) Ten million five hundred thousand dollars ($10,500,000) may be expended annually for payments of five thousand dollars ($5,000) to cities and ten thousand dollars ($10,000) for payments to counties for beverage container recycling and litter cleanup activities, or the department may calculate the payments to counties and cities on a per capita basis, and may pay whichever amount is greater, for those activities.

(B) Eligible activities for the use of these funds may include, but are not necessarily limited to, support for new or existing curbside recycling programs, neighborhood dropoff recycling programs, public education-promoting beverage container recycling, litter prevention, and cleanup, cooperative regional efforts among two or more cities or counties, or both, or other beverage container recycling programs.

(C) These funds may not be used for activities unrelated to beverage container recycling or litter reduction.

(D) To receive these funds, a city, county, or city and county shall fill out and return a funding request form to the Department of Conservation. The form shall specify the beverage container recycling or litter reduction activities for which the funds will be used.

(E) The Department of Conservation shall annually prepare and distribute a funding request form to each city, county, or city and county. The form shall specify the amount of beverage container recycling and litter cleanup funds for which the jurisdiction is eligible. The form shall not exceed one double-sided page in length, and may be submitted electronically. If a city, county, or city and county does not return the funding request form within 90 days of receipt of the form from the department, the city, county, or city and county is not eligible to receive the funds for that funding cycle.

(F) For the purposes of this paragraph, per capita population shall be based on the population of the incorporated area of a city or city and county and the unincorporated area of a county. The department may withhold payment to any city, county, or city and county that has prohibited the siting of a supermarket site, caused a supermarket site to close its business, or adopted a land use policy that restricts or prohibits the siting of a supermarket site within its jurisdiction.

(6) One million five hundred thousand dollars ($1,500,000) may be expended annually in the form of grants for beverage container recycling and litter reduction programs.

(7) (A) The department shall expend the amount necessary to pay the processing payment and supplemental processing payment established pursuant to Sections 14575 and 14575.5 and pay processing fee rebates pursuant to Section 14575.2. The department shall establish separate processing fee accounts in the fund for

each beverage container material type for which a processing payment and processing fee are calculated pursuant to Section 14575, or for which a processing payment is calculated pursuant to Section 14575 and a voluntary artificial scrap value is calculated pursuant to Section 14575.1, into which account shall be deposited all of the following:

(i) All amounts paid as processing fees for each beverage container material type pursuant to Section 14575.

(ii) Funds equal to the difference between the amount in clause (i) and the amount of the processing payments established in subdivision (b) of Section 14575, and adjusted pursuant to paragraphs (2) and (3) of subdivision (c) of, and subdivision (f) of, Section 14575, to reduce the processing fee to the level provided in subdivision (f) of Section 14575, or to reflect the agreement by a willing purchaser to pay a voluntary artificial scrap value pursuant to Section 14575.1.

(iii) Funds equal to an amount sufficient to pay the total amount of the supplemental processing payments established pursuant to Section 14575.5.

(B) Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, the money in each processing fee account is hereby continuously appropriated to the department for expenditure without regard to fiscal years, for purposes of making processing payments and supplemental processing payments, and reducing processing fees, pursuant to Sections 14575 and 14575.5 and paying processing fee rebates pursuant to Section 14575.2.

(8) Up to five million dollars ($5,000,000) may be annually expended by the department for the purposes of undertaking a statewide public education and information campaign aimed at promoting increased recycling of beverage containers.

(9) Until January 1, 2008, the department may expend up to five million dollars ($5,000,000) for the purposes of undertaking a statewide public education and information campaign aimed at promoting increased recycling of beverage containers that meets both of the following requirements:

(A) The public education and information campaign is multimedia and includes print, radio, and television.

(B) The public education and information campaign is multilingual.

(10) (A) Until January 1, 2007, up to three million dollars ($3,000,000) shall be expended annually for the payment of quality glass incentive payments pursuant to Section 14549.1.

(B) On and after January 1, 2007, up to fifteen million dollars ($15,000,000) may be expended annually by the department for quality incentive payments for empty beverage containers pursuant to Section 14549.1.

(11) Up to twenty million dollars ($20,000,000) may be expended annually by the department, until January 1, 2012, to issue grants for recycling market development and expansion-related activities aimed at increasing the recycling of beverage containers, including, but not limited to, the following:

(A) Research and development of collecting, sorting, processing, cleaning, or otherwise upgrading the market value of recycled beverage containers.

(B) Identification, development, and expansion of markets for recycled beverage containers.

(C) Research and development for products manufactured using recycled beverage containers.

(D) Research and development to provide high-quality materials that are substantially free of contamination.

(E) Payments to California manufacturers who recycle beverage containers that are marked by resin type identification code “3,” “4,” “5,” “6,” or “7,” pursuant to Section 18015.

(12) Up to ten million dollars ($10,000,000) may be transferred on a one-time basis by the department to the Recycling Infrastructure Loan Guarantee Account, for expenditure pursuant to Section 14582.

(13) Up to ten million dollars ($10,000,000) may be expended annually by the department for the payment of recycling incentive payments pursuant to Section 14549.7 until payments for eligible beverage containers redeemed or collected for recycling on or before December 31, 2009, have been paid.

(14) Up to five million dollars ($5,000,000) may be expended annually by the department for market development payments for empty plastic beverage containers pursuant to Section 14549.2, until January 1, 2012.

(15) Up to five million dollars ($5,000,000) may be expended by the department, on a one-time basis beginning on January 1, 2007, in coordination with the Department of Parks and Recreation

for the purposes of installing source separated beverage container recycling receptacles at each of the state parks, starting with those parks that have the highest day use.

(16) Up to five million dollars ($5,000,000) may be expended, from January 1, 2007, to January 1, 2008, to provide grants to local governments or nonprofit agencies to place multifamily housing source separated beverage container recycling receptacles in low-income communities.

(b) The fifteen million dollars ($15,000,000) that is set aside pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) is a base amount that the department shall adjust annually to reflect any increases or decreases in the cost of living, as measured by the Department of Labor, or a successor agency, of the federal government.

(c) (1) The department shall review all funds on a quarterly basis to ensure that there are adequate funds to make the payments specified in this section and the processing fee reductions required pursuant to Section 14575.

(2) If the department determines, pursuant to a review made pursuant to paragraph (1), that there may be inadequate funds to pay the payments required by this section and the processing fee reductions required pursuant to Section 14575, the department shall immediately notify the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature regarding the inadequacy.

(3) On or before 180 days after the notice is sent pursuant to paragraph (2), the department may reduce or eliminate expenditures, or both, from the funds as necessary, according to the procedure set forth in subdivision (d).

(d) If the department determines that there are insufficient funds to make the payments specified pursuant to this section and Section 14575, the department shall reduce all payments proportionally.

(e) Prior to making an expenditure pursuant to paragraph (7) of subdivision (a), the department shall convene an advisory committee consisting of representatives of the beverage industry, beverage container manufacturers, environmental organizations, the recycling industry, nonprofit organizations, and retailers, to advise the department on the most cost-effective and efficient method of the expenditure of the funds for that education and information campaign.

(f) After setting aside money for the expenditures required pursuant to subdivisions (a) and (b) and Section 14580, the

department may, on and after January 1, 2007, but not after July 1, 2007, expend remaining moneys in the fund to pay a refund value in an amount greater than the refund value established pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 14560.

SEC. 205. Section 16053 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

16053. (a) A grease waste hauler who violates this division shall be subject to a civil penalty, for the first violation, in an amount that does not exceed five thousand dollars ($5,000).

(b) A grease waste hauler who violates this division, for a second or subsequent violation, shall be subject to a civil penalty in an amount that does not exceed ten thousand dollars ($10,000).

(c) A grease waste hauler who violates this division may also be subject to any further equitable remedy, as determined by the court.

(d) The civil penalties collected pursuant to this division shall be apportioned as follows:

(1) Fifty percent shall be deposited in the Environmental Enforcement and Training Account established pursuant to Section 14303 of the Penal Code, and used for purposes of Title 13 (commencing with Section 14300) of Part 4 of the Penal Code.

(2) Fifty percent to the local health officer or other local public officer or agency that investigated the matter that led to bringing the action.

SEC. 206. Section 21151.8 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

21151.8. (a) An environmental impact report or negative declaration may not be approved for any project involving the purchase of a schoolsite or the construction of a new elementary or secondary school by a school district unless all of the following occur:

(1) The environmental impact report or negative declaration includes information that is needed to determine if the property proposed to be purchased, or to be constructed upon, is any of the following:

(A) The site of a current or former hazardous waste disposal site or solid waste disposal site and, if so, whether the wastes have been removed.

(B) A hazardous substance release site identified by the Department of Toxic Substances Control in a current list adopted

pursuant to Section 25356 of the Health and Safety Code for removal or remedial action pursuant to Chapter 6.8 (commencing with Section 25300) of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code.

(C) A site that contains one or more pipelines, situated underground or aboveground, that carries hazardous substances, extremely hazardous substances, or hazardous wastes, unless the pipeline is a natural gas line that is used only to supply natural gas to that school or neighborhood, or other nearby schools.

(D) A site that is within 500 feet of the edge of the closest traffic lane of a freeway or other busy traffic corridor.

(2) The school district, as the lead agency, in preparing the environmental impact report or negative declaration has notified in writing and consulted with the administering agency in which the proposed schoolsite is located, pursuant to Section 2735.3 of Title 19 of the California Code of Regulations, and with any air pollution control district or air quality management district having jurisdiction in the area, to identify both permitted and nonpermitted facilities within that district's authority, including, but not limited to, freeways and busy traffic corridors, large agricultural operations, and railyards, within one-fourth of a mile of the proposed schoolsite, that might reasonably be anticipated to emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or extremely hazardous substances or waste. The notification by the school district, as the lead agency, shall include a list of the locations for which information is sought.

(3) The governing board of the school district makes one of the following written findings:

(A) Consultation identified no facilities of this type or other significant pollution sources specified in paragraph (2).

(B) The facilities or other pollution sources specified in paragraph (2) exist, but one of the following conditions applies:

(i) The health risks from the facilities or other pollution sources do not and will not constitute an actual or potential endangerment of public health to persons who would attend or be employed at the proposed school.

(ii) Corrective measures required under an existing order by another agency having jurisdiction over the facilities or other pollution sources will, before the school is occupied, result in the mitigation of all chronic or accidental hazardous air emissions to levels that do not constitute an actual or potential endangerment of public health to persons who would attend or be employed at

the proposed school. If the governing board makes a finding pursuant to this clause, it shall also make a subsequent finding, prior to occupancy of the school, that the emissions have been so mitigated.

(iii) For a schoolsite with a boundary that is within 500 feet of the edge of the closest traffic lane of a freeway or other busy traffic corridor, the governing board of the school district determines, through analysis pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 44360 of the Health and Safety Code, based on appropriate air dispersion modeling, and after considering any potential mitigation measures, that the air quality at the proposed site is such that neither short-term nor long-term exposure poses significant health risks to pupils.

(C) The facilities or other pollution sources specified in paragraph (2) exist, but conditions in clause (i), (ii) or (iii) of subparagraph (B) cannot be met, and the school district is unable to locate an alternative site that is suitable due to a severe shortage of sites that meet the requirements in subdivision (a) of Section 17213 of the Education Code. If the governing board makes this finding, the governing board shall adopt a statement of Overriding Considerations pursuant to Section 15093 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

(4) Each administering agency, air pollution control district, or air quality management district receiving written notification from a lead agency to identify facilities pursuant to paragraph (2) shall provide the requested information and provide a written response to the lead agency within 30 days of receiving the notification. The environmental impact report or negative declaration shall be conclusively presumed to comply with this section as to the area of responsibility of any agency that does not respond within 30 days.

(b) If a school district, as a lead agency, has carried out the consultation required by paragraph (2) of subdivision (a), the environmental impact report or the negative declaration shall be conclusively presumed to comply with this section, notwithstanding any failure of the consultation to identify an existing facility or other pollution source specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).

(c) As used in this section and Section 21151.4, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) “Hazardous substance” means any substance defined in Section 25316 of the Health and Safety Code.

(2) “Extremely hazardous substances” means any material defined pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 25532 of the Health and Safety Code.

(3) “Hazardous waste” means any waste defined in Section 25117 of the Health and Safety Code.

(4) “Hazardous waste disposal site” means any site defined in Section 25114 of the Health and Safety Code.

(5) “Hazardous air emissions” means emissions into the ambient air of air contaminants that have been identified as a toxic air contaminant by the State Air Resources Board or by the air pollution control officer for the jurisdiction in which the project is located. As determined by the air pollution control officer, hazardous air emissions also means emissions into the ambient air from any substances identified in subdivisions (a) to (f), inclusive, of Section 44321 of the Health and Safety Code.

(6) “Administering agency” means an agency designated pursuant to Section 25502 of the Health and Safety Code.

(7) “Handle” means handle as defined in Article 1 (commencing with Section 25500) of Chapter 6.95 of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code.

(8) “Facilities” means any source with a potential to use, generate, emit, or discharge hazardous air pollutants, including, but not limited to, pollutants that meet the definition of a hazardous substance, and whose process or operation is identified as an emission source pursuant to the most recent list of source categories published by the California Air Resources Board.

(9) “Freeway or other busy traffic corridors” means those roadways that, on an average day, have traffic in excess of 50,000 vehicles in a rural area, as defined in Section 50101 of the Health and Safety Code, and 100,000 vehicles in an urban area, as defined in Section 50104.7 of the Health and Safety Code.

SEC. 207. Section 21167.6 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

21167.6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in all actions or proceedings brought pursuant to Section 21167, except those involving the Public Utilities Commission, all of the following shall apply:

(a) At the time that the action or proceeding is filed, the plaintiff or petitioner shall file a request that the respondent public agency prepare the record of proceedings relating to the subject of the action or proceeding. The request, together with the complaint or petition, shall be served personally upon the public agency not later than 10 business days from the date that the action or proceeding was filed.

(b) (1) The public agency shall prepare and certify the record of proceedings not later than 60 days from the date that the request specified in subdivision (a) was served upon the public agency. Upon certification, the public agency shall lodge a copy of the record of proceedings with the court and shall serve on the parties notice that the record of proceedings has been certified and lodged with the court. The parties shall pay any reasonable costs or fees imposed for the preparation of the record of proceedings in conformance with any law or rule of court.

(2) The plaintiff or petitioner may elect to prepare the record of proceedings or the parties may agree to an alternative method of preparation of the record of proceedings, subject to certification of its accuracy by the public agency, within the time limit specified in this subdivision.

(c) The time limit established by subdivision (b) may be extended only upon the stipulation of all parties who have been properly served in the action or proceeding or upon order of the court. Extensions shall be liberally granted by the court when the size of the record of proceedings renders infeasible compliance with that time limit. There is no limit on the number of extensions that may be granted by the court, but no single extension shall exceed 60 days unless the court determines that a longer extension is in the public interest.

(d) If the public agency fails to prepare and certify the record within the time limit established in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b), or any continuances of that time limit, the plaintiff or petitioner may move for sanctions, and the court may, upon that motion, grant appropriate sanctions.

(e) The record of proceedings shall include, but is not limited to, all of the following items:

(1) All project application materials.

(2) All staff reports and related documents prepared by the respondent public agency with respect to its compliance with the

substantive and procedural requirements of this division and with respect to the action on the project.

(3) All staff reports and related documents prepared by the respondent public agency and written testimony or documents submitted by any person relevant to any findings or statement of overriding considerations adopted by the respondent agency pursuant to this division.

(4) Any transcript or minutes of the proceedings at which the decisionmaking body of the respondent public agency heard testimony on, or considered any environmental document on, the project, and any transcript or minutes of proceedings before any advisory body to the respondent public agency that were presented to the decisionmaking body prior to action on the environmental documents or on the project.

(5) All notices issued by the respondent public agency to comply with this division or with any other law governing the processing and approval of the project.

(6) All written comments received in response to, or in connection with, environmental documents prepared for the project, including responses to the notice of preparation.

(7) All written evidence or correspondence submitted to, or transferred from, the respondent public agency with respect to compliance with this division or with respect to the project.

(8) Any proposed decisions or findings submitted to the decisionmaking body of the respondent public agency by its staff, or the project proponent, project opponents, or other persons.

(9) The documentation of the final public agency decision, including the final environmental impact report, mitigated negative declaration, or negative declaration, and all documents, in addition to those referenced in paragraph (3), cited or relied on in the findings or in a statement of overriding considerations adopted pursuant to this division.

(10) Any other written materials relevant to the respondent public agency's compliance with this division or to its decision on the merits of the project, including the initial study, any drafts of any environmental document, or portions thereof, that have been released for public review, and copies of studies or other documents relied upon in any environmental document prepared for the project and either made available to the public during the public review period or included in the respondent public agency's files on the

project, and all internal agency communications, including staff notes and memoranda related to the project or to compliance with this division.

(11) The full written record before any inferior administrative decisionmaking body whose decision was appealed to a superior administrative decisionmaking body prior to the filing of litigation.

(f) In preparing the record of proceedings, the party preparing the record shall strive to do so at reasonable cost in light of the scope of the record.

(g) The clerk of the superior court shall prepare and certify the clerk's transcript on appeal not later than 60 days from the date that the notice designating the papers or records to be included in the clerk's transcript was filed with the superior court, if the party or parties pay any costs or fees for the preparation of the clerk's transcript imposed in conformance with any law or rules of court. Nothing in this subdivision precludes an election to proceed by appendix, as provided in Rule 8.124 of the California Rules of Court.

(h) Extensions of the period for the filing of any brief on appeal may be allowed only by stipulation of the parties or by order of the court for good cause shown. Extensions for the filing of a brief on appeal shall be limited to one 30-day extension for the preparation of an opening brief, and one 30-day extension for the preparation of a responding brief, except that the court may grant a longer extension or additional extensions if it determines that there is a substantial likelihood of settlement that would avoid the necessity of completing the appeal.

(i) At the completion of the filing of briefs on appeal, the appellant shall notify the court of the completion of the filing of briefs, whereupon the clerk of the reviewing court shall set the appeal for hearing on the first available calendar date.

SEC. 208. Section 25205 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

25205. (a) No person shall be a member of the commission who, during the two years prior to appointment on the commission, received any substantial portion of his or her income directly or indirectly from any electric utility, or who engages in sale or manufacture of any major component of any facility. A member of the commission shall not be employed by any electric utility, applicant, or, within two years after he or she ceases to be a

member of the commission, by any person who engages in the sale or manufacture of any major component of any facility.

(b) Except as provided in Section 25202, the members of the commission shall not hold any other elected or appointed public office or position.

(c) The members of the commission and all employees of the commission shall comply with all applicable provisions of Section 19251 of the Government Code.

(d) A person who is a member or employee of the commission shall not participate personally and substantially as a member or employee of the commission, through decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, the rendering of advice, investigation, or otherwise, in a judicial or other proceeding, hearing, application, request for a ruling, or other determination, contract, claim, controversy, study, plan, or other particular matter in which, to his or her knowledge, he or she, his or her spouse, minor child, or partner, or any organization, except a governmental agency or educational or research institution qualifying as a nonprofit organization under state or federal income tax law, in which he or she is serving, or has served as officer, director, trustee, partner, or employee while serving as a member or employee of the commission or within two years prior to his or her appointment as a member of the commission, has a direct or indirect financial interest.

(e) A person who is a partner, employer, or employee of a member or employee of the commission shall not act as an attorney, agent, or employee for any person other than the state in connection with any judicial or other proceeding, hearing, application, request for a ruling, or other determination, contract, claim, controversy, study, plan, or other particular matter in which the commission is a party or has a direct and substantial interest.

(f) The provisions of this section shall not apply if the Attorney General finds that the interest of the member or employee of the commission is not so substantial as to be deemed likely to affect the integrity of the services which the state may expect from the member or employee.

(g) Any person who violates any provision of this section is guilty of a felony and shall be subject to a fine of not more than ten thousand dollars ($10,000) or imprisonment in the state prison, or both.

(h) The amendment of subdivision (d) of this section enacted by the 1975–76 Regular Session of the Legislature does not constitute a change in, but is declaratory of, existing law.

SEC. 209. Section 25303 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

25303. (a) The commission shall conduct electricity and natural gas forecasting and assessment activities to meet the requirements of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 25302, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(1) Assessment of trends in electricity and natural gas supply and demand, and the outlook for wholesale and retail prices for commodity electricity and natural gas under current market structures and expected market conditions.

(2) Forecasts of statewide and regional electricity and natural gas demand including annual, seasonal, and peak demand, and the factors leading to projected demand growth, including, but not limited to, projected population growth, urban development, industrial expansion and energy intensity of industries, energy demand for different building types, energy efficiency, and other factors influencing demand for electricity. With respect to long-range forecasts of the demand for natural gas, the report shall include an evaluation of average conditions, as well as best and worst case scenarios, and an evaluation of the impact of the increasing use of renewable resources on natural gas demand.

(3) Evaluation of the adequacy of electricity and natural gas supplies to meet forecasted demand growth. Assessment of the availability, reliability, and efficiency of the electricity and natural gas infrastructure and systems, including, but not limited to, natural gas production capability both in and out of state, natural gas interstate and intrastate pipeline capacity, storage and use, and western regional and California electricity and transmission system capacity and use.

(4) Evaluation of potential impacts of electricity and natural gas supply, demand, and infrastructure and resource additions on the electricity and natural gas systems, public health and safety, the economy, resources, and the environment.

(5) Evaluation of the potential impacts of electricity and natural gas load management efforts, including end-user response to market price signals, as a means to ensure reliable operation of electricity and natural gas systems.

(6) Evaluation of whether electricity and natural gas markets are adequately meeting public interest objectives including the provision of all of the following: economic benefits; competitive, low-cost reliable services; customer information and protection; and environmentally sensitive electricity and natural gas supplies. This evaluation may consider the extent to which California is an element within western energy markets, the existence of appropriate incentives for market participants to provide supplies and for consumers to respond to energy prices, appropriate identification of responsibilities of various market participants, and an assessment of long-term versus short-term market performance. To the extent this evaluation identifies market shortcomings, the commission shall propose market structure changes to improve performance.

(7) Identification of impending or potential problems or uncertainties in the electricity and natural gas markets, potential options and solutions, and recommendations.

(8) (A) Compilation and assessment of existing scientific studies that have been performed by persons or entities with expertise and qualifications in the subject of the studies to determine the potential vulnerability to a major disruption due to aging or a major seismic event of large baseload generation facilities, of 1,700 megawatts or greater.

(B) The assessment specified in subparagraph (A) shall include an analysis of the impact of a major disruption on system reliability, public safety, and the economy.

(C) The commission may work with other public entities and public agencies, including, but not limited to, the California Independent System Operator, the Public Utilities Commission, the Department of Conservation, and the Seismic Safety Commission as necessary, to gather and analyze the information required by this paragraph.

(D) Upon completion and publication of the initial review of the information required pursuant to this paragraph, the commission shall perform subsequent updates as new data or new understanding of potential seismic hazards emerge.

(b) Commencing November 1, 2003, and every two years thereafter, to be included in the integrated energy policy report prepared pursuant to Section 25302, the commission shall assess the current status of the following:

(1) The environmental performance of the electric generation facilities of the state, to include all of the following:

(A) Generation facility efficiency.

(B) Air emission control technologies in use in operating plants.

(C) The extent to which recent resource additions have, and expected resource additions are likely to, displace or reduce the operation of existing facilities, including the environmental consequences of these changes.

(2) The geographic distribution of statewide environmental, efficiency, and socioeconomic benefits and drawbacks of existing generation facilities, including, but not limited to, the impacts on natural resources including wildlife habitat, air quality, and water resources, and the relationship to demographic factors. The assessment shall describe the socioeconomic and demographic factors that existed when the facilities were constructed and the current status of these factors. In addition, the report shall include how expected or recent resource additions could change the assessment through displaced or reduced operation of existing facilities.

(c) In the absence of a long-term nuclear waste storage facility, the commission shall assess the potential state and local costs and impacts associated with accumulating waste at California's nuclear powerplants. The commission shall further assess other key policy and planning issues that will affect the future role of nuclear powerplants in the state. The commission's assessment shall be adopted on or before November 1, 2008, and included in the 2008 energy policy review adopted pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 25302.

SEC. 210. Section 25310 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

25310. On or before November 1, 2007, and by November 1 of every third year thereafter, the commission in consultation with the Public Utilities Commission and local publicly owned electric utilities, in a public process that allows input from other stakeholders, shall develop a statewide estimate of all potentially achievable cost-effective electricity and natural gas efficiency savings and establish targets for statewide annual energy efficiency savings and demand reduction for the next 10-year period. The commission shall base its estimate at least in part on information developed pursuant to Sections 454.55, 454.56, and 9615 of the

Public Utilities Code. The commission shall, for each electrical corporation and each gas corporation, include in the integrated energy policy report, a comparison of the public utility's annual targets established pursuant to Sections 454.55 and 454.56, and the public utility's actual energy efficiency savings and demand reductions.

SEC. 211. Section 25742 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

25742. (a) Ten percent of the funds collected pursuant to the renewable energy public goods charge shall be used for programs that are designed to achieve fully competitive and self-sustaining existing in-state renewable electricity generation facilities, and to secure for the state the environmental, economic, and reliability benefits that continued operation of those facilities will provide, during the 2007–11 investment cycle. Eligibility for incentives under this section shall be limited to those technologies found eligible for funds by the commission pursuant to paragraphs (4), (5), and (7) of subdivision (e) of Section 25740.5.

(b) Any funds used to support in-state renewable electricity generation facilities pursuant to this section shall be expended in accordance with this chapter.

(c) Facilities that are eligible to receive funding pursuant to this section shall be registered in accordance with criteria developed by the commission and those facilities shall not receive payments for any electricity produced that has any of the following characteristics:

(1) Is sold at monthly average rates equal to or greater than the applicable target price, as determined by the commission.

(2) Is used onsite.

(d) Existing facilities generating electricity from biomass energy shall be eligible for funding and otherwise considered an in-state renewable electricity generation facility only if they report to the commission the types and quantities of biomass fuels used and certify to the satisfaction of the commission that fuel utilization is limited to the fuels specified in subdivision (f) of Section 25743. The commission shall report the types and quantities of biomass fuels used by each facility to the Legislature in the reports prepared pursuant to Section 25748.

(e) Each existing facility seeking an award pursuant to this section shall be evaluated by the commission to determine the

amount of the funds being sought, the cumulative amount of funds the facility has received previously from the commission and other state sources, the value of any past and current federal or state tax credits, the facility's contract price for energy and capacity, the prices received by similar facilities, the market value of the facility, and the likelihood that the award will make the facility competitive and self-sustaining within the 2007–11 investment cycle. The commission shall use this evaluation to determine the value of an award to the public relative to other renewable energy investment alternatives. The commission shall compile its findings and report them to the Legislature in the reports prepared pursuant to Section 25748.

SEC. 212. Section 25743 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

25743. (a) Fifty-one and one-half percent of the money collected pursuant to the renewable energy public goods charge shall be used for programs designed to foster the development of new in-state renewable electricity generation facilities, and to secure for the state the environmental, economic, and reliability benefits that operation of those facilities will provide.

(b) Any funds used for new in-state renewable electricity generation facilities pursuant to this section shall be expended in accordance with the report, subject to all of the following requirements:

(1) In order to cover the above-market costs of eligible renewable energy resources as approved by the Public Utilities Commission and selected by retail sellers to fulfill their obligations under Article 16 (commencing with Section 399.11) of Chapter 2.3 of Part 1 of Division 1 of the Public Utilities Code, the commission shall award funds in the form of supplemental energy payments, subject to the following criteria:

(A) The commission may establish caps on supplemental energy payments. The caps shall be designed to provide for a viable energy market capable of achieving the goals of Article 16 (commencing with Section 399.11) of Chapter 2.3 of Part 1 of Division 1 of the Public Utilities Code. The commission may waive application of the caps to accommodate a facility if it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the commission that operation of the facility would provide substantial economic and environmental benefits to end-use customers subject to the renewable energy public goods charge.

(B) Supplemental energy payments shall be awarded only to facilities that are eligible for funding under this section.

(C) Supplemental energy payments awarded to facilities selected by a retail seller or procurement entity pursuant to Article 16 (commencing with Section 399.11) of Chapter 2.3 of Part 1 of Division 1 of the Public Utilities Code shall be paid for no longer than 10 years, but shall, subject to the payment caps in subparagraph (A), be equal to the cumulative above-market costs relative to the applicable market price referent at the time of initial contracting, over the duration of the contract with the retail seller or procurement entity.

(D) The commission shall reduce or terminate supplemental energy payments for projects that fail either to commence and maintain operations consistent with the contractual obligations to an electrical corporation, or that fail to meet eligibility requirements.

(E) Funds shall be managed in an equitable manner in order for retail sellers to meet their obligation under Article 16 (commencing with Section 399.11) of Chapter 2.3 of Part 1 of Division 1 of the Public Utilities Code.

(F) A project selected by an electrical corporation may receive supplemental energy payments only if it results from a competitive solicitation that is found by the Public Utilities Commission to comply with the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program under Article 16 (commencing with Section 399.11) of Chapter 2.3 of Part 1 of Division 1 of the Public Utilities Code, and the project has entered into an electricity purchase agreement resulting from that solicitation, that is approved by the Public Utilities Commission. A project selected for an electricity purchase agreement by another retail seller or procurement entity may receive supplemental energy payments only if the Public Utilities Commission determines that the selection of the project is consistent with the results of a least-cost and best-fit process, and the supplemental energy payments are reasonable in comparison to those paid under similar contracts with other retail sellers. The commission may not award supplemental energy payments to service load that is not subject to the renewable energy public goods charge.

(G) (i) Supplemental energy payments shall not be awarded for any purchases of renewable energy credits.

(ii) Supplemental energy payments shall not be awarded for electricity purchase agreements that have a duration of less than 10 years. The ineligibility of agreements of less than 10 years' duration for supplemental energy payments does not constitute an insufficiency in supplemental energy payments pursuant to paragraph (4) or (5) of subdivision (b) of Section 399.15.

(2) (A) A facility that is located outside of California shall not be eligible for funding under this section unless it satisfies the requirements of this subdivision and the criteria of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 25741.

(B) No more than 10 percent of the funds available under this section shall be awarded to facilities located outside of California.

(3) Facilities that are eligible to receive funding pursuant to this section shall be registered in accordance with criteria developed by the commission and those facilities may not receive payments for any electricity produced that has any of the following characteristics:

(A) Is sold under an existing long-term contract with an existing in-state electrical corporation if the contract includes fixed energy or capacity payments, except for that electricity that satisfies subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of Section 399.6 of the Public Utilities Code.

(B) Is used onsite or is sold to customers in a manner that excludes competition transition charge payments, or is otherwise excluded from competition transition charge payments.

(C) Is a hydroelectric generation project that will require a new or increased appropriation of water under Part 2 (commencing with Section 1200) of Division 2 of the Water Code, or any other provision authorizing an appropriation of water.

(D) Is a solid waste conversion facility, unless the facility meets the criteria established in paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 25741 and the facility certifies that any local agency sending solid waste to the facility is in compliance with Division 30 (commencing with Section 40000), has reduced, recycled, or composted solid waste to the maximum extent feasible, and shall have been found by the California Integrated Waste Management Board to have diverted at least 30 percent of all solid waste through source reduction, recycling, and composting.

(4) Eligibility to compete for funds or to receive funds shall be contingent upon having to sell the electricity generated by the

renewable electricity generation facility to customers subject to the renewable energy public goods charge.

(5) The commission may require applicants competing for funding to post a forfeitable bid bond or other financial guaranty as an assurance of the applicant's intent to move forward expeditiously with the project proposed. The amount of any bid bond or financial guaranty may not exceed 10 percent of the total amount of the funding requested by the applicant.

(6) In awarding funding, the commission may provide preference to projects that provide tangible demonstrable benefits to communities with a plurality of minority or low-income populations.

(c) Repowered existing facilities shall be eligible for funding under this subdivision if the capital investment to repower the existing facility equals at least 80 percent of the value of the repowered facility.

(d) Facilities engaging in the direct combustion of municipal solid waste or tires are not eligible for funding under this subdivision.

(e) Production incentives awarded under this subdivision prior to January 1, 2002, shall commence on the date that a project begins electricity production, provided that the project was operational prior to January 1, 2002, unless the commission finds that the project will not be operational prior to January 1, 2002, due to circumstances beyond the control of the developer. Upon making a finding that the project will not be operational due to circumstances beyond the control of the developer, the commission shall pay production incentives over a five-year period, commencing on the date of operation, provided that the date that a project begins electricity production may not extend beyond January 1, 2007.

(f) Facilities generating electricity from biomass energy shall be considered an in-state renewable electricity generation facility to the extent that they report to the commission the types and quantities of biomass fuels used and certify to the satisfaction of the commission that fuel utilization is limited to the following:

(1) Agricultural crops and agricultural wastes and residues.

(2) Solid waste materials such as waste pallets, crates, dunnage, manufacturing, and construction wood wastes, landscape or right-of-way tree trimmings, mill residues that are directly the

result of the milling of lumber, and rangeland maintenance residues.

(3) Wood and wood wastes that meet all of the following requirements:

(A) Have been harvested pursuant to an approved timber harvest plan prepared in accordance with the Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act of 1973 (Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 4511) of Part 2 of Division 4).

(B) Have been harvested for the purpose of forest fire fuel reduction or forest stand improvement.

(C) Do not transport or cause the transportation of species known to harbor insect or disease nests outside zones of infestation or current quarantine zones, as identified by the Department of Food and Agriculture or the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, unless approved by the Department of Food and Agriculture and the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

SEC. 213. Section 29735 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

29735. There is hereby created the Delta Protection Commission consisting of 23 members as follows:

(a) One member of the board of supervisors of each of the five counties within the delta whose supervisorial district is within the primary zone shall be appointed by the board of supervisors of the county.

(b) Three elected city council members shall be selected and appointed by city selection committees, from regional and area councils of government, one in each of the following areas:

(1) One from the north delta, consisting of the Counties of Yolo and Sacramento.

(2) One from the south delta, consisting of the County of San Joaquin.

(3) One from the west delta, consisting of the Counties of Contra Costa and Solano.

(c) (1) One member each from the board of directors of five different reclamation districts that are located within the primary zone who are residents of the delta, and who are elected by the trustees of reclamations districts within the following areas:

(A) Two members from the area of the North Delta Water Agency as described in Section 9.1 of the North Delta Water Agency Act (Chapter 283 of the Statutes of 1973), provided at

least one member is also a member of the Delta Citizens Municipal Advisory Council.

(B) One member from the west delta consisting of the area of Contra Costa County within the delta.

(C) One member from the area of the Central Delta Water Agency as described in Section 9.1 of the Central Delta Water Agency Act (Chapter 1133 of the Statutes of 1973).

(D) One member from the area of the South Delta Water Agency as described in Section 9.1 of the South Delta Water Agency Act (Chapter 1089 of the Statutes of 1973).

(2) Each reclamation district may nominate one director to be a member. The member from an area shall be selected from among the nominees by a majority vote of the reclamation districts in that area. For purposes of this section, each reclamation district shall have one vote. The north delta area shall conduct separate votes to select each of its two members.

(d) The Director of Parks and Recreation, or the director's sole designee.

(e) The Director of Fish and Game, or the director's sole designee.

(f) The Secretary of Food and Agriculture, or the secretary's sole designee.

(g) The executive officer of the State Lands Commission, or the executive officer's sole designee.

(h) The Director of Boating and Waterways, or the director's sole designee.

(i) The Director of Water Resources, or the director's sole designee.

(j) The public member of the California Bay-Delta Authority who represents the delta region.

(k) The Governor shall appoint three members from the general public who are delta residents or delta landowners, as follows:

(1) One member shall represent the interests of production agriculture with a background in promoting the agricultural viability of delta farming.

(2) One member shall represent the interests of conservation of wildlife and habitat resources of the delta region and ecosystem.

(3) One member shall represent the interests of outdoor recreational opportunities, including, but not limited to, hunting and fishing.

SEC. 214. Section 30340.5 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

30340.5. (a) It is the policy of the state that no less than 50 percent of funds received by the state from the federal government pursuant to the Federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. Sec. 1451 et seq.) shall be used for the preparation, review, approval, certification, and implementation of local coastal programs.

(b) A local government subject to this division may claim reimbursement of costs incurred as a direct result of the operation of or any requirement promulgated pursuant to this division. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a claim for reimbursement of mandated costs directly attributable to the operation of this division shall only be submitted, reviewed, and approved in the manner set forth in this section.

(c) A claim pursuant to this section shall be submitted to the executive director of the commission no later than September 30. The executive director shall review the claim in accordance with this section and shall submit the claim to the Controller within 60 days after receipt of a claim but in no event later than November 30.

(d) A claim submitted pursuant to this section shall be filed on forms approved and prepared by the commission in consultation with the Controller. The forms shall specify the information needed to enable the executive director of the commission and the Controller to make the determinations required by subdivision (e). The forms shall clearly set forth information requirements for the evaluation of the following categories of costs:

(1) Costs for work relating to the preparation, review, and approval of a local coastal program or a portion of a program.

(2) Costs for work that is not covered by paragraph (1).

The claim forms required by this section shall provide for claims of actual costs incurred during the fiscal year preceding submittal and for the costs the claimant local government estimates will be incurred during the then-current fiscal year.

(e) The executive director shall review and evaluate each claim submitted pursuant to this section and shall determine whether:

(1) The costs claimed are not paid for or reimbursed from any other source of state or federal funding.

(2) The costs are for work that is the direct result of and is mandated by the operation of this division or by the commission or whether the work is optional.

(3) With respect to costs specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (d), the work done or to be done is reasonable and necessary for the preparation and approval of a local coastal program pursuant to a local coastal program work program approved by the commission, or for work that is not part of an approved work program if the work can be shown to be necessary for the completion of a certifiable local coastal program or if new information or other circumstances cause the commission to require that the work be carried out.

(f) The executive director of the commission shall submit to the Controller, on behalf of each claimant local government, all claims submitted pursuant to this section together with his or her recommendation whether the Controller should allow or deny, in whole or in part, the claim. The executive director's recommendation shall be based on his or her determinations made pursuant to subdivision (e). If the executive director fails to make a recommendation by the time a claim is required to be submitted to the Controller as provided in subdivision (c), the executive director is deemed to have recommended approval of the claim.

(g) Section 17561 of the Government Code shall apply to a claim filed pursuant to this section. However, where a conflict between Section 17561 of the Government Code and this section occurs, the conflict shall be resolved in a manner that best carries out the purposes of this section. The Controller shall apply the criteria of subdivision (e) in determining whether to allow or deny, in whole or in part, a claim and shall consider the recommendations of the executive director of the commission.

SEC. 215. Section 42310.3 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

42310.3. (a) Notwithstanding Section 42310, a manufacturer is in compliance with this chapter if the manufacturer demonstrates through its own actions, or the actions of another company under the same corporate ownership, that one of the following actions were taken during the same period for which the manufacturer is subject to this chapter, with regard to a rigid plastic packaging container that stores the manufacturer's product that is sold or intended for sale in this state:

(1) The manufacturer, or another company under the same corporate ownership, consumed postconsumer material generated in the state in the manufacture of a rigid plastic packaging container subject to Section 42310, or a rigid plastic packaging container or other plastic products or plastic packaging not subject to that section, and that is equivalent to, or exceeds the postconsumer material that the rigid plastic packaging container is otherwise required to contain, as specified in subdivision (a) of Section 42310.

(2) The manufacturer, or any company under the same corporate ownership, arranged by contractual agreement for the purchase and consumption of postconsumer material generated in the state and exported to another state for the manufacture of a rigid plastic packaging container subject to Section 42310, or a rigid plastic packaging container or other plastic products or plastic packaging not subject to that section that is equivalent to, or exceeds the postconsumer material that the rigid plastic packaging container is otherwise required to contain, as specified in subdivision (a) of Section 42310.

(b) The board shall determine the manner of demonstrating compliance with this section.

SEC. 216. Section 48023 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

48023. (a) If the board expends any funds pursuant to this article, the board shall, to the extent feasible, seek repayment from responsible parties in an amount equal to the amount expended, a reasonable amount for the board's cost of contract administration, and an amount equal to the interest that would have been earned on the expended funds.

(b) In implementing this article, the board is vested, in addition to its other powers, with all the powers of an enforcement agency under this division.

(c) The amount of any cost incurred by the board pursuant to this article shall be recoverable from responsible parties in a civil action brought by the board or, upon the request of the board, by the Attorney General pursuant to Section 40432.

SEC. 217. Section 303 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

303. (a) A public utilities commissioner may not hold an official relation to, nor have a financial interest in, a person or

corporation subject to regulation by the commission. If any commissioner acquires a financial interest in a corporation or person subject to regulation by the commission other than voluntarily, his or her office shall become vacant unless within a reasonable time he or she divests himself or herself of the interest.

(b) The commission shall adopt an updated Conflict of Interest Code and Statement of Incompatible Activities, by February 28, 1998, in a manner consistent with applicable law.

SEC. 218. Section 399.12 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

399.12. For purposes of this article, the following terms have the following meanings:

(a) "Delivered" and "delivery" have the same meaning as provided in subdivision (a) of Section 25741 of the Public Resources Code.

(b) "Eligible renewable energy resource" means an electric generating facility that meets the definition of "in-state renewable electricity generation facility" in Section 25741 of the Public Resources Code, subject to the following limitations:

(1) (A) An existing small hydroelectric generation facility of 30 megawatts or less shall be eligible only if a retail seller owned or procured the electricity from the facility as of December 31, 2005. A new hydroelectric facility is not an eligible renewable energy resource if it will require a new or increased appropriation or diversion of water from a watercourse.

(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), an existing conduit hydroelectric facility, as defined by Section 823a of Title 16 of the United States Code, of 30 megawatts or less, shall be an eligible renewable energy resource. A new conduit hydroelectric facility, as defined by Section 823a of Title 16 of the United States Code, of 30 megawatts or less, shall be an eligible renewable energy resource so long as it does not require a new or increased appropriation or diversion of water from a watercourse.

(2) A facility engaged in the combustion of municipal solid waste shall not be considered an eligible renewable resource unless it is located in Stanislaus County and was operational prior to September 26, 1996.

(c) "Energy Commission" means the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission.

(d) "Local publicly owned electric utility" has the same meaning as provided in subdivision (d) of Section 9604.

(e) "Procure" means that a retail seller receives delivered electricity generated by an eligible renewable energy resource that it owns or for which it has entered into an electricity purchase agreement. Nothing in this article is intended to imply that the purchase of electricity from third parties in a wholesale transaction is the preferred method of fulfilling a retail seller's obligation to comply with this article.

(f) "Renewables portfolio standard" means the specified percentage of electricity generated by eligible renewable energy resources that a retail seller is required to procure pursuant to this article.

(g) (1) "Renewable energy credit" means a certificate of proof, issued through the accounting system established by the Energy Commission pursuant to Section 399.13, that one unit of electricity was generated and delivered by an eligible renewable energy resource.

(2) "Renewable energy credit" includes all renewable and environmental attributes associated with the production of electricity from the eligible renewable energy resource, except for an emissions reduction credit issued pursuant to Section 40709 of the Health and Safety Code and any credits or payments associated with the reduction of solid waste and treatment benefits created by the utilization of biomass or biogas fuels.

(3) No electricity generated by an eligible renewable energy resource attributable to the use of nonrenewable fuels, beyond a de minimis quantity, as determined by the Energy Commission, shall result in the creation of a renewable energy credit.

(h) "Retail seller" means an entity engaged in the retail sale of electricity to end-use customers located within the state, including any of the following:

(1) An electrical corporation, as defined in Section 218.

(2) A community choice aggregator. The commission shall institute a rulemaking to determine the manner in which a community choice aggregator will participate in the renewables portfolio standard program subject to the same terms and conditions applicable to an electrical corporation.

(3) An electric service provider, as defined in Section 218.3, for all sales of electricity to customers beginning January 1, 2006.

The commission shall institute a rulemaking to determine the manner in which electric service providers will participate in the renewables portfolio standard program. The electric service provider shall be subject to the same terms and conditions applicable to an electrical corporation pursuant to this article. Nothing in this paragraph shall impair a contract entered into between an electric service provider and a retail customer prior to the suspension of direct access by the commission pursuant to Section 80110 of the Water Code.

(4) "Retail seller" does not include any of the following:

(A) A corporation or person employing cogeneration technology or producing electricity consistent with subdivision (b) of Section 218.

(B) The Department of Water Resources acting in its capacity pursuant to Division 27 (commencing with Section 80000) of the Water Code.

(C) A local publicly owned electric utility.

SEC. 219. Section 399.20 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

399.20. (a) It is the policy of this state and the intent of the Legislature to encourage energy production from renewable resources at public water and wastewater facilities in an amount commensurate with water-related electricity demand.

(b) As used in this section, "electric generation facility" means an electric generation facility, owned and operated by a public water or wastewater agency that is a retail customer of an electrical corporation, and that meets all of the following criteria:

(1) Has an effective capacity of not more than one megawatt and is located on or adjacent to a water or wastewater facility owned and operated by the public water or wastewater agency.

(2) Is interconnected and operates in parallel with the electric transmission and distribution grid.

(3) Is sized to offset part or all of the electricity demand of the public water or wastewater agency.

(4) Is strategically located and interconnected to the electric transmission system in a manner that optimizes the deliverability of electricity generated at the facility to load centers.

(5) Is an eligible renewable energy resource, as defined in Section 399.12.

(c) Every electrical corporation shall file with the commission a standard tariff for renewable energy output produced at an electric generation facility.

(d) The tariff shall provide for payment for every kilowatthour of renewable energy output produced at an electric generation facility at the market price as determined by the commission pursuant to Section 399.15 for a period of 10, 15, or 20 years, as authorized by the commission.

(e) Every electrical corporation shall make this tariff available to public water or wastewater agencies that own and operate an electric generation facility within the service territory of the electrical corporation, upon request, on a first-come, first-served basis, until the combined statewide cumulative rated generating capacity of those electric generation facilities equals 250 megawatts. An electrical corporation may make the terms of the tariff available to public water or wastewater agencies in the form of a standard contract subject to commission approval. Each electrical corporation shall only be required to offer service or contracts under this section until that electrical corporation meets its proportionate share of the 250 megawatts based on the ratio of its peak demand to the total statewide peak demand of all electrical corporations.

(f) Every kilowatthour of renewable energy output produced by the electric generation facility shall count toward the electrical corporation's renewable portfolio standard annual procurement targets for purposes of paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 399.15.

(g) The physical generating capacity of an electric generation facility shall count toward the electrical corporation's resource adequacy requirement for purposes of Section 380.

(h) Upon approval by the commission, any tariff or contract authorized by this section may be made available to an electric generation facility that has an effective capacity of not more than 1.5 megawatts if that electrical generation facility otherwise complies with this section.

SEC. 219.3. Section 421 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

421. (a) The commission shall annually determine a fee to be paid by every passenger stage corporation, charter-party carrier of passengers, pipeline corporation, for-hire vessel operator, common

carrier vessel operator, railroad corporation, and commercial air operator, and every other common carrier and related business subject to the jurisdiction of the commission, except as otherwise provided in Article 3 (commencing with Section 431) of this chapter and Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 5001) of Division 2.

(b) The annual fee shall be established to produce a total amount equal to the amount established in the authorized commission budget for the same year, including adjustments appropriated by the Legislature and an appropriate reserve, to regulate common carriers and related businesses, less the amount to be paid from special accounts or funds pursuant to Section 403, reimbursements, federal funds, other revenues, and unencumbered funds from the preceding year.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the fees paid by railroad corporations shall be used for state-funded railroad investigation and enforcement activities of the commission, other than the rail safety activities funded by the Transportation Planning and Development Account pursuant to Section ~~99315.5~~ *99315*. The railroad fees shall be set annually at a level which generates not less than the amount sufficient to fund activities pursuant to Sections 765.5, 7711, and 7712.

(d) On January 1, 1992, the commission shall submit to the Legislature a detailed budget implementing this section for the 1992–93 fiscal year. The commission shall also submit to the Legislature by January 1, 1993, and on each January 1 thereafter, a detailed budget for expenditure of railroad corporation fees for the ensuing budget year. The budget for expenditure of railroad corporation fees, for each of the 1996–97 and 1997–98 fiscal years, shall not exceed the amount of three million dollars ($3,000,000). Expenditures of this budget shall be limited to the following items:

(1) Expenditures for employees occupying, and actually performing service in, railroad-safety personnel positions that are directly involved in inspecting railroads and enforcing rail safety regulations. The commission shall expend the funds budgeted pursuant to this subdivision for the salaries, per diem, and travel expenses of employees specified in this paragraph, unless, by statute, the commission is specifically prohibited from expending all or part of those funds.

(2) Expenditures for employees occupying, and actually performing service in, clerical and support staff positions that are directly associated with railroad-safety inspections.

(3) Expenditures for legal personnel who actually pursue violations of rail safety regulations beyond the informal complaint level.

(4) Expenditures for an audit by the Bureau of State Audits pursuant to subdivision (f), not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars ($75,000).

(5) Expenditures for the pro rata share of the commission's overhead costs while state personnel are actually occupying the positions, and are performing the duties specified in paragraphs (1) to (4), inclusive.

(e) The Department of Finance shall notify the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, pursuant to Section 28.00 of the annual Budget Act, prior to authorizing any change in the Budget Act appropriation for railroad corporation fees that is larger than one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000), or 10 percent of the amount budgeted, whichever is less.

(f) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, commencing with the 1993–94 fiscal year, and in each subsequent fiscal year until the 1999–2000 fiscal year, the commission shall conduct an audit of the expenditure of the funds received pursuant to this section, except that for the 1996–97 fiscal year and fiscal years thereafter the audit shall be conducted by the Bureau of State Audits. The results of this audit shall be reported, in writing, commencing on or before February 15, 1995, with respect to the audit for the 1993–94 fiscal year, and on or before January 15 of each year thereafter, with respect to the audit for the fiscal year ending on the previous June 30, to the appropriate policy and budget committees of the respective houses of the Legislature. The commission shall reimburse the Bureau of State Audits for the costs of the audits beginning with the 1996–97 fiscal year.

(g) On or before January 1, 1994, the commission shall hire a minimum of four additional operating practices inspectors, exclusive of supervisory personnel, who are, or shall become, by July 1, 1994, federally certified, for the purpose of enforcing compliance by railroads operating in this state with state and federal safety regulations.

(h) The commission, in performing its duties, shall limit the expenditure of funds for rail safety division purposes to those railroad corporation fees collected pursuant to subdivision (d). In no event, shall the commission fund railroad safety activities utilizing funds from other commission accounts unrelated to railroad safety.

SEC. 219.5. Section 455.1 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

455.1. Whenever a water corporation files with the commission, pursuant to an advice letter submitted in accordance with commission procedures for this means of submission, a schedule stating rates, classifications, contracts, practices, or rules for the service of recycled water, the policies and standards for which are provided for in Article 7 (commencing with Section 13550) of Chapter 7 of Division 7 of the Water Code, the commission shall observe the following procedures:

(a) Unless the commission determines, pursuant to subdivision (b), that the schedule filed by a water corporation for the service of recycled water is not justified or, pursuant to subdivision ~~(c)~~ *(d)*, any other party protests in writing the filing of the schedule, the schedule shall become effective upon the expiration of 40 days from the time of filing thereof.

(b) Notwithstanding the filing of notice of changes or amendments as provided in subdivision (c) or a protest as provided in subdivision (d), the schedule as filed shall become effective on an interim basis upon the expiration of 30 days from the time of filing thereof, subject to refund of any amount of the rate subsequently found by the commission to be in excess of a just and reasonable rate.

(c) If, upon its own initiative, the commission, acting through the staff organization with responsibility for reviewing advice letter filings, determines that the schedule filed by a water corporation for the service of recycled water is not justified, it shall notify the water corporation of the determination in writing within 40 days from the time of filing of the schedule and shall state in the notice all changes or amendments to the schedule that are required to make it just and reasonable. Upon the refiling by the water corporation within 10 days of the receipt of the notice of a revised schedule incorporating all changes and amendments specified by the commission, the revised schedule shall become

effective on an interim basis subject to refund upon the expiration of five days from the time of the refiling thereof, and shall become final upon formal commission action approving the schedule, as revised.

(d) If any other party, including the commission organization or division created pursuant to Section 309.5, protests in writing the schedule filed by a water corporation for the service of recycled water, the commission shall set the matter for a hearing on the protest to be held within a reasonable time from the time that the party files its written protest with the commission.

(e) ~~The provisions of subdivision~~ *Subdivision* (d) of Section 311 shall govern the timing of actions by the commission after the close of the record in any proceeding pursuant to subdivision (d) *of this section*.

~~SEC. 220. Section 5810 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:~~

~~5810. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:~~

~~(1) Increasing competition for video and broadband services is a matter of statewide concern for all of the following reasons:~~

~~(A) Video and cable services provide numerous benefits to all Californians, including access to a variety of news, public information, education, and entertainment programming.~~

~~(B) Increased competition in the cable and video service sector provides consumers with more choice, lowers prices, speeds the deployment of new communication and broadband technologies, creates jobs, and benefits the California economy.~~

~~(C) To promote competition, the state should establish a state-issued franchise authorization process that allows market participants to use their networks and systems to provide video, voice, and broadband services to all residents of the state.~~

~~(D) Competition for video service should increase opportunities for programming that appeals to California's diverse population and many cultural communities.~~

~~(2) Legislation to develop this new process should adhere to the following principles:~~

~~(A) Create a fair and level playing field for all market competitors that does not disadvantage or advantage one service provider or technology over another.~~

~~(B) Promote the widespread access to the most technologically advanced cable and video services to all California communities in a nondiscriminatory manner regardless of socioeconomic status.~~

~~(C) Protect local government revenues and control of public rights-of-way.~~

~~(D) Require market participants to comply with all applicable consumer protection laws.~~

~~(E) Complement efforts to increase investment in broadband infrastructure and close the digital divide.~~

~~(F) Continue access to and maintenance of the public, education, and government (PEG) channels.~~

~~(G) Maintain all existing authority of the California Public Utilities Commission as established in state and federal statutes.~~

~~(3) The public interest is best served when sufficient funds are appropriated to the commission to provide adequate staff and resources to appropriately and timely process applications of video service providers and to ensure full compliance with this division. It is the intent of the Legislature that, although video service providers are not public utilities or common carriers, the commission shall collect any fees authorized by this division in the same manner and under the same terms as it collects fees from common carriers, electrical corporations, gas corporations, telephone corporations, telegraph corporations, water corporations, and every other public utility providing service directly to customers or subscribers subject to its jurisdiction such that it does not discriminate against video service providers or their subscribers.~~

~~(4) Providing an incumbent cable operator the option to secure a state-issued franchise through the preemption of an existing cable franchise between a cable operator and any political subdivision of the state, including, but not limited to, a city, charter city, county, or city and county, is an essential element of the new regulatory framework established by this act as a matter of statewide concern to best ensure equal protection and parity among providers and technologies, as well as to achieve the goals stated by the Legislature in enacting this section.~~

~~(b) It is the intent of the Legislature that a video service provider shall pay as rent a franchise fee to the local entity in whose jurisdiction service is being provided for the continued use of streets, public facilities, and other rights-of-way of the local entity~~

~~in order to provide service. The Legislature recognizes that local entities should be compensated for the use of the public rights-of-way and that the franchise fee is intended to compensate them in the form of rent or a toll, similar to that which the court found to be appropriate in Santa Barbara County Taxpayers Association v. Board of Supervisors for the County of Santa Barbara (1989) 257 Cal.App.3d 940.~~

~~(c) It is the intent of the Legislature that collective bargaining agreements be respected.~~

~~(d) It is the intent of the Legislature that the definition of gross revenues in this division shall result in local entities maintaining their existing level of revenue from franchise fees.~~

~~SEC. 221. Section 5830 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:~~

~~5830. For purposes of this division, the following terms have the following meanings:~~

~~(a) "Broadband" means any service defined as broadband in the most recent Federal Communications Commission inquiry pursuant to Section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-104).~~

~~(b) "Cable operator" means any person or group of persons that either provides cable service over a cable system and directly, or through one or more affiliates, owns a significant interest in a cable system; or that otherwise controls or is responsible for, through any arrangement, the management and operation of a cable system, as set forth in Section 522(5) of Title 47 of the United States Code.~~

~~(c) "Cable service" is defined as the one-way transmission to subscribers of either video programming, or other programming service, and subscriber interaction, if any, that is required for the selection or use of video programming or other programming service, as set forth in Section 522(6) of Title 47 of the United States Code.~~

~~(d) "Cable system" is defined as set forth in Section 522(7) of Title 47 of the United States Code.~~

~~(e) "Commission" means the Public Utilities Commission.~~

~~(f) "Franchise" means an initial authorization, or renewal of an authorization, issued by a franchising entity, regardless of whether the authorization is designated as a franchise, permit, license, resolution, contract, certificate, agreement, or otherwise, that~~

~~authorizes the construction and operation of any network in the right-of-way capable of providing video service to subscribers.~~

~~(g) "Franchise fee" means the fee adopted pursuant to Section 5840.~~

~~(h) "Local franchising entity" means the city, county, city and county, or joint powers authority entitled to require franchises and impose fees on cable operators, as set forth in Section 53066 of the Government Code.~~

~~(i) "Holder" means a person or group of persons that has been issued a state franchise from the commission pursuant to this division.~~

~~(j) "Incumbent cable operator" means a cable operator or OVS serving subscribers under a franchise in a particular city, county, or city and county franchise area on January 1, 2007.~~

~~(k) "Local entity" means any city, county, city and county, or joint powers authority within the state within whose jurisdiction a holder of a state franchise under this division may provide cable service or video service.~~

~~(*l*) "Network" means a component of a facility that is wholly or partly physically located within a public right-of-way and that is used to provide video service, cable service, voice, or data services.~~

~~(m) "Open-video system" or "OVS" means those services set forth in Section 573 of Title 47 of the United States Code.~~

~~(n) "OVS operator" means any person or group of persons that either provides cable service over an open-video system directly, or through one or more affiliates, owns a significant interest in an open-video system, or that otherwise controls or is responsible for, through any arrangement, the management of an open-video system.~~

~~(o) "Public right-of-way" means the area along and upon any public road or highway, or along or across any of the waters or lands within the state.~~

~~(p) "State franchise" means a franchise that is issued pursuant to this division.~~

~~(q) "Subscriber" means a person who lawfully receives video service from the holder of a state franchise for a fee.~~

~~(r) "Video programming" means programming provided by, or generally considered comparable to programming provided by, a~~

~~television broadcast station, as set forth in Section 522(20) of Title 47 of the United States Code.~~

~~(s) "Video service" means video programming services, cable service, or OVS service provided through facilities located at least in part in public rights-of-way without regard to delivery technology, including Internet protocol or other technology. This definition does not include (1) any video programming provided by a commercial mobile service provider defined in Section 332(d) of Title 47 of the United States Code, or (2) video programming provided as part of, and via, a service that enables users to access content, information, electronic mail, or other services offered over the public Internet.~~

~~(t) "Video service provider" means an entity providing video service.~~

~~SEC. 222. Section 5840 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:~~

~~5840. (a) The commission is the sole franchising authority for a state franchise to provide video service under this division. Neither the commission nor any local franchising entity or other local entity of the state may require the holder of a state franchise to obtain a separate franchise or otherwise impose any requirement on any holder of a state franchise except as expressly provided in this division. Sections 53066, 53066.01, 53066.2, and 53066.3 of the Government Code shall not apply to holders of a state franchise.~~

~~(b) The application process described in this section and the authority granted to the commission under this section shall not exceed the provisions set forth in this section.~~

~~(c) Any person or corporation who seeks to provide video service in this state for which a franchise has not already been issued, after January 1, 2008, shall file an application for a state franchise with the commission. The commission may impose a fee on the applicant that shall not exceed the actual and reasonable costs of processing the application and shall not be levied for general revenue purposes.~~

~~(d) No person or corporation shall be eligible for a state-issued franchise, including a franchise obtained from renewal or transfer of an existing franchise, if that person or corporation is in violation of any final nonappealable order relating to either the Cable Television and Video Provider Customer Service and Information Act (Article 3.5 (commencing with Section 53054) of Chapter 1~~

~~of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code) or the Video Customer Service Act (Article 4.5 (commencing with Section 53088) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code).~~

~~(e) The application for a state franchise shall be made on a form prescribed by the commission and shall include all of the following:~~

~~(1) A sworn affidavit, signed under penalty of perjury by an officer or another person authorized to bind the applicant, that affirms all of the following:~~

~~(A) That the applicant has filed or will timely file with the Federal Communications Commission all forms required by the Federal Communications Commission before offering cable service or video service in this state.~~

~~(B) That the applicant or its affiliates agrees to comply with all federal and state statutes, rules, and regulations, including, but not limited to, the following:~~

~~(i) A statement that the applicant will not discriminate in the provision of video or cable services as provided in Section 5890.~~

~~(ii) A statement that the applicant will abide by all applicable consumer protection laws and rules as provided in Section 5900.~~

~~(iii) A statement that the applicant will remit the fee required by subdivision (a) of Section 5860 to the local entity.~~

~~(iv) A statement that the applicant will provide PEG channels and the required funding as required by Section 5870.~~

~~(C) That the applicant agrees to comply with all lawful city, county, or city and county regulations regarding the time, place, and manner of using the public rights-of-way, including, but not limited to, payment of applicable encroachment, permit, and inspection fees.~~

~~(D) That the applicant will concurrently deliver a copy of the application to any local entity where the applicant will provide service.~~

~~(2) The applicant's legal name and any name under which the applicant does or will do business in this state.~~

~~(3) The address and telephone number of the applicant's principal place of business, along with contact information for the person responsible for ongoing communications with the commission.~~

~~(4) The names and titles of the applicant's principal officers.~~

~~(5) The legal name, address, and telephone number of the applicant's parent company, if any.~~

~~(6) A description of the video service area footprint that is proposed to be served, as identified by a collection of United States Census Bureau Block numbers (13 digit) or a geographic information system digital boundary meeting or exceeding national map accuracy standards. This description shall include the socioeconomic status information of all residents within the service area footprint.~~

~~(7) If the applicant is a telephone corporation or an affiliate of a telephone corporation, as defined in Section 234, a description of the territory in which the company provides telephone service. The description shall include socioeconomic status information of all residents within the telephone corporation's service territory.~~

~~(8) The expected date for the deployment of video service in each of the areas identified in paragraph (6).~~

~~(9) Adequate assurance that the applicant possesses the financial, legal, and technical qualifications necessary to construct and operate the proposed system and promptly repair any damage to the public right-of-way caused by the applicant. To accomplish these requirements, the commission may require a bond.~~

~~(f) The commission may require that a corporation with wholly owned subsidiaries or affiliates is eligible only for a single state-issued franchise and prohibit the holding of multiple franchises through separate subsidiaries or affiliates. The commission may establish procedures for a holder of a state-issued franchise to amend its franchise to reflect changes in its service area.~~

~~(g) The commission shall commence accepting applications for a state franchise no later than April 1, 2007.~~

~~(h) (1) The commission shall notify an applicant for a state franchise and any affected local entities whether the applicant's application is complete or incomplete before the 30th calendar day after the applicant submits the application.~~

~~(2) If the commission finds the application is complete, it shall issue a state franchise before the 14th calendar day after that finding.~~

~~(3) If the commission finds that the application is incomplete, it shall specify with particularity the items in the application that are incomplete and permit the applicant to amend the application~~

~~to cure any deficiency. The commission shall have 30 calendar days from the date the application is amended to determine its completeness.~~

~~(4) The failure of the commission to notify the applicant of the completeness or incompleteness of the application before the 44th calendar day after receipt of an application shall be deemed to constitute issuance of the certificate applied for without further action on behalf of the applicant.~~

~~(i) The state franchise issued by the commission shall contain all of the following:~~

~~(1) A grant of authority to provide video service in the service area footprint as requested in the application.~~

~~(2) A grant of authority to use the public rights-of-way, in exchange for the franchise fee adopted under subdivision (q), in the delivery of video service, subject to the laws of this state.~~

~~(3) A statement that the grant of authority is subject to lawful operation of the cable service or video service by the applicant or its successor in interest.~~

~~(j) The state franchise issued by the commission may be terminated by the video service provider by submitting at least 90 days' prior written notice to customers, local entities, and the commission.~~

~~(k) It is unlawful to provide video service without a state or locally issued franchise.~~

~~(*l*) Subject to the notice requirements of this division, a state franchise may be transferred to any successor in interest of the holder to which the certificate is originally granted, provided that the transferee first submits all of the information required of the applicant by this section to the commission.~~

~~(m) In connection with, or as a condition of, receiving a state franchise, the commission shall require a holder to notify the commission and any applicable local entity within 14 business days of any of the following changes involving the holder of the state franchise:~~

~~(1) Any transaction involving a change in the ownership, operation, control, or corporate organization of the holder, including a merger, an acquisition, or a reorganization.~~

~~(2) A change in the holder's legal name or the adoption of, or change to, an assumed business name. The holder shall submit to the commission a certified copy of either of the following:~~

~~(A) The proposed amendment to the state franchise.~~

~~(B) The certificate of assumed business name.~~

~~(3) A change in the holder's principal business address or in the name of the person authorized to receive notice on behalf of the holder.~~

~~(4) Any transfer of the state franchise to a successor in interest of the holder. The holder shall identify the successor in interest to which the transfer is made.~~

~~(5) The termination of any state franchise issued under this division. The holder shall identify both of the following:~~

~~(A) The number of customers in the service area covered by the state franchise being terminated.~~

~~(B) The method by which the holder's customers were notified of the termination.~~

~~(6) A change in one or more of the service areas of this division that would increase or decrease the territory within the service area. The holder shall describe the new boundaries of the affected service areas after the proposed change is made.~~

~~(n) Prior to offering video service in a local entity's jurisdiction, the holder of a state franchise shall notify the local entity that the video service provider will provide video service in the local entity's jurisdiction. The notice shall be given at least 10 days, but no more than 60 days, before the video service provider begins to offer service.~~

~~(o) Any video service provider that currently holds a franchise with a local franchising entity is entitled to seek a state franchise in the area designated in that franchise upon meeting any of the following conditions:~~

~~(1) The expiration, prior to any renewal or extension, of its local franchise.~~

~~(2) A mutually agreed upon date set by both the local franchising entity and video service provider to terminate the franchise provided in writing by both parties to the commission.~~

~~(3) When a video service provider that holds a state franchise provides the notice required pursuant to subdivision (n) to a local jurisdiction that it intends to initiate providing video service in all or part of that jurisdiction, a video service provider operating under a franchise issued by a local franchising authority may elect to obtain a state franchise to replace its locally issued franchise. The franchise issued by the local franchising entity shall terminate and~~

~~be replaced by a state franchise when the state franchising authority issues a state franchise for the video service provider that includes the entire service area served by the video service provider and the video service provider notifies the local entity that it will begin providing video service in that area under a state franchise.~~

~~(p) Notwithstanding any rights to the contrary, an incumbent cable operator opting into a state franchise under this section shall continue to serve all areas as required by its local franchise agreement existing on January 1, 2007, until that local franchise otherwise would have expired. However, an incumbent cable operator that is also a telephone corporation with less than 1,000,000 telephone customers in California and is providing video service in competition with another incumbent cable operator shall not be required to provide service beyond the area in which it is providing video service as of January 1, 2007.~~

~~(q) (1) There is hereby adopted a state franchise fee payable as rent or a toll for the use of the public right-of-way by holders of the state franchise issued pursuant to this division. The amount of the state franchise fee shall be 5 percent of gross revenues, as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 5860, or the percentage applied by the local entity to the gross revenue of the incumbent cable operator, whichever is less. If there is no incumbent cable operator or upon the expiration of the incumbent cable operator's franchise, the amount of the state franchise fee shall be 5 percent of gross revenues, as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 5860, unless the local entity adopts an ordinance setting the amount of the franchise fee at less than 5 percent.~~

~~(2) (A) The state franchise fee shall apply equally to all video service providers in the local entity's jurisdiction.~~

~~(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), if the video service provider is leasing access to a network owned by a local entity, the local entity may set a franchise fee for access to the network different from the franchise fee charged to a video service provider for access to the rights-of-way to install its own network.~~

~~SEC. 223. Section 5860 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:~~

~~5860. (a) The holder of a state franchise that offers video service within the jurisdiction of the local entity shall calculate and remit to the local entity a state franchise fee, adopted pursuant to subdivision (q) of Section 5840, as provided in this section. The~~

~~obligation to remit the franchise fee to a local entity begins immediately upon provision of video service within that local entity's jurisdiction. However, the remittance shall not be due until the time of the first quarterly payment required under subdivision (h) that is at least 180 days after the provision of service began. The fee remitted to a city or city and county shall be based on gross revenues, as defined in subdivision (d), derived from the provision of video service within that jurisdiction. The fee remitted to a county shall be based on gross revenues earned within the unincorporated area of the county. No fee under this section shall become due unless the local entity provides documentation to the holder of the state franchise supporting the percentage paid by the incumbent cable operator serving the area within the local entity's jurisdiction, as provided below. The fee shall be calculated as a percentage of the holder's gross revenues, as defined in subdivision (d). The fee remitted to the local entity pursuant to this section may be used by the local entity for any lawful purpose.~~

~~(b) The state franchise fee shall be a percentage of the holder's gross revenues, as defined in subdivision (d).~~

~~(c) No local entity or any other political subdivision of this state may demand any additional fees or charges or other remuneration of any kind from the holder of a state franchise based solely on its status as a provider of video or cable services other than as set forth in this division and may not demand the use of any other calculation method or definition of gross revenues. However, nothing in this section shall be construed to limit a local entity's ability to impose utility user taxes and other generally applicable taxes, fees, and charges under other applicable provisions of state law that are applied in a nondiscriminatory and competitively neutral manner.~~

~~(d) For purposes of this section, the term "gross revenues" means all revenue actually received by the holder of a state franchise, as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, that is derived from the operation of the holder's network to provide cable or video service within the jurisdiction of the local entity, including all of the following:~~

~~(1) All charges billed to subscribers for any and all cable service or video service provided by the holder of a state franchise, including all revenue related to programming provided to the subscriber, equipment rentals, late fees, and insufficient fund fees.~~

~~(2) Franchise fees imposed on the holder of a state franchise by this section that are passed through to, and paid by, the subscribers.~~

~~(3) Compensation received by the holder of a state franchise that is derived from the operation of the holder's network to provide cable service or video service with respect to commissions that are paid to the holder of a state franchise as compensation for promotion or exhibition of any products or services on the holder's network, such as a "home shopping" or similar channel, subject to paragraph (4) of subdivision (e).~~

~~(4) A pro rata portion of all revenue derived by the holder of a state franchise or its affiliates pursuant to compensation arrangements for advertising derived from the operation of the holder's network to provide video service within the jurisdiction of the local entity, subject to paragraph (1) of subdivision (e). The allocation shall be based on the number of subscribers in the local entity divided by the total number of subscribers in relation to the relevant regional or national compensation arrangement.~~

~~(e) For purposes of this section, the term "gross revenue" set forth in subdivision (d) does not include any of the following:~~

~~(1) Amounts not actually received, even if billed, such as bad debt; refunds, rebates, or discounts to subscribers or other third parties; or revenue imputed from the provision of cable services or video services for free or at reduced rates to any person as required or allowed by law, including, but not limited to, the provision of these services to public institutions, public schools, governmental agencies, or employees except that forgone revenue chosen not to be received in exchange for trades, barters, services, or other items of value shall be included in gross revenue.~~

~~(2) Revenues received by any affiliate or any other person in exchange for supplying goods or services used by the holder of a state franchise to provide cable services or video services. However, revenue received by an affiliate of the holder from the affiliate's provision of cable or video service shall be included in gross revenue as follows:~~

~~(A) To the extent that treating the revenue as revenue of the affiliate, instead of revenue of the holder, would have the effect of evading the payment of fees that would otherwise be paid to the local entity.~~

~~(B) The revenue is not otherwise subject to fees to be paid to the local entity.~~

~~(3) Revenue derived from services classified as noncable services or nonvideo services under federal law, including, but not limited to, revenue derived from telecommunications services and information services, other than cable services or video services, and any other revenues attributed by the holder of a state franchise to noncable services or nonvideo services in accordance with Federal Communications Commission rules, regulations, standards, or orders.~~

~~(4) Revenue paid by subscribers to "home shopping" or similar networks directly from the sale of merchandise through any home shopping channel offered as part of the cable services or video services. However, commissions or other compensation paid to the holder of a state franchise by "home shopping" or similar networks for the promotion or exhibition of products or services shall be included in gross revenue.~~

~~(5) Revenue from the sale of cable services or video services for resale in which the reseller is required to collect a fee similar to the franchise fee from the reseller's customers.~~

~~(6) Amounts billed to, and collected from, subscribers to recover any tax, fee, or surcharge imposed by any governmental entity on the holder of a state franchise, including, but not limited to, sales and use taxes, gross receipts taxes, excise taxes, utility users taxes, public service taxes, communication taxes, and any other fee not imposed by this section.~~

~~(7) Revenue from the sale of capital assets or surplus equipment not used by the purchaser to receive cable services or video services from the seller of those assets or surplus equipment.~~

~~(8) Revenue from directory or Internet advertising revenue, including, but not limited to, yellow pages, white pages, banner advertisement, and electronic publishing.~~

~~(9) Revenue received as reimbursement by programmers of specific, identifiable marketing costs incurred by the holder of a state franchise for the introduction of new programming.~~

~~(10) Security deposits received from subscribers, excluding security deposits applied to the outstanding balance of a subscriber's account and thereby taken into revenue.~~

~~(f) For the purposes of this section, in the case of a video service that may be bundled or integrated functionally with other services,~~

~~capabilities, or applications, the state franchise fee shall be applied only to the gross revenue, as defined in subdivision (d), attributable to video service. Where the holder of a state franchise or any affiliate bundles, integrates, ties, or combines video services with nonvideo services creating a bundled package, so that subscribers pay a single fee for more than one class of service or receive a discount on video services, gross revenues shall be determined based on an equal allocation of the package discount, that is, the total price of the individual classes of service at advertised rates compared to the package price, among all classes of service comprising the package. The fact that the holder of a state franchise offers a bundled package shall not be deemed a promotional activity. If the holder of a state franchise does not offer any component of the bundled package separately, the holder of a state franchise shall declare a stated retail value for each component based on reasonable comparable prices for the product or service for the purpose of determining franchise fees based on the package discount described above.~~

~~(g) For the purposes of determining gross revenue under this division, a video service provider shall use the same method of determining revenues under generally accepted accounting principles as that which the video service provider uses in determining revenues for the purpose of reporting to national and state regulatory agencies.~~

~~(h) The state franchise fee shall be remitted to the applicable local entity quarterly, within 45 days after the end of the quarter for that calendar quarter. Each payment shall be accompanied by a summary explaining the basis for the calculation of the state franchise fee. If the holder does not pay the franchise fee when due, the holder shall pay a late payment charge at a rate per year equal to the highest prime lending rate during the period of delinquency, plus 1 percent. If the holder has overpaid the franchise fee, it may deduct the overpayment from its next quarterly payment.~~

~~(i) Not more than once annually, a local entity may examine the business records of a holder of a state franchise to the extent reasonably necessary to ensure compensation in accordance with subdivision (a). The holder shall keep all business records reflecting any gross revenues, even if there is a change in ownership, for at least four years after those revenues are recognized by the holder on its books and records. If the examination discloses that the~~

~~holder has underpaid franchise fees by more than 5 percent during the examination period, the holder shall pay all of the reasonable and actual costs of the examination. If the examination discloses that the holder has not underpaid franchise fees, the local entity shall pay all of the reasonable and actual costs of the examination. In every other instance, each party shall bear its own costs of the examination. Any claims by a local entity that compensation is not in accordance with subdivision (a), and any claims for refunds or other corrections to the remittance of the holder of a state franchise, shall be made within three years and 45 days of the end of the quarter for which compensation is remitted, or three years from the date of the remittance, whichever is later. Either a local entity or the holder may, in the event of a dispute concerning compensation under this section, bring an action in a court of competent jurisdiction.~~

~~(j) The holder of a state franchise may identify and collect the amount of the state franchise fee as a separate line item on the regular bill of each subscriber.~~

~~SEC. 224. Section 5870 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:~~

~~5870. (a) The holder of a state franchise shall designate a sufficient amount of capacity on its network to allow the provision of the same number of public, education, and governmental access (PEG) channels, as are activated and provided by the incumbent cable operator that has simultaneously activated and provided the greatest number of PEG channels within the local entity under the terms of any franchise in effect in the local entity as of January 1, 2007. For the purposes of this section, a PEG channel is deemed activated if it is being utilized for PEG programming within the municipality for at least eight hours per day. The holder shall have three months from the date the local entity requests the PEG channels to designate the capacity. However, the three-month period shall be tolled by any period during which the designation or provision of PEG channel capacity is technically infeasible, including any failure or delay of the incumbent cable operator to make adequate interconnection available, as required by this section.~~

~~(b) The PEG channels shall be for the exclusive use of the local entity or its designee to provide public, educational, and governmental channels. The PEG channels shall be used only for~~

~~noncommercial purposes. However, advertising, underwriting, or sponsorship recognition may be carried on the channels for the purpose of funding PEG-related activities. The PEG channels shall all be carried on the basic service tier. To the extent feasible, the PEG channels shall not be separated numerically from other channels carried on the basic service tier and the channel numbers for the PEG channels shall be the same channel numbers used by the incumbent cable operator unless prohibited by federal law. After the initial designation of PEG channel numbers, the channel numbers shall not be changed without the agreement of the local entity unless the change is required by federal law. Each channel shall be capable of carrying a National Television System Committee (NTSC) television signal.~~

~~(c) (1) If fewer than three PEG channels are activated and provided within the local entity as of January 1, 2007, a local entity whose jurisdiction lies within the authorized service area of the holder of a state franchise may initially request the holder to designate not more than a total of three PEG channels.~~

~~(2) The holder shall have three months from the date of the request to designate the capacity. However, the three-month period shall be tolled by any period during which the designation or provision of PEG channel capacity is technically infeasible, including any failure or delay of the incumbent cable operator to make adequate interconnection available, as required by this section.~~

~~(d) (1) The holder shall provide an additional PEG channel when the nonduplicated locally produced video programming televised on a given channel exceeds 56 hours per week as measured on a quarterly basis. The additional channel shall not be used for any purpose other than to continue programming additional government, education, or public access television.~~

~~(2) For the purposes of this section, "locally produced video programming" means programming produced or provided by any local resident, the local entity, or any local public or private agency that provides services to residents of the franchise area; or any transmission of a meeting or proceeding of any local, state, or federal governmental entity.~~

~~(e) Any PEG channel provided pursuant to this section that is not utilized by the local entity for at least eight hours per day as measured on a quarterly basis may no longer be made available~~

~~to the local entity, and may be programmed at the holder's discretion. At the time that the local entity can certify to the holder a schedule for at least eight hours of daily programming, the holder of the state franchise shall restore the channel or channels for the use of the local entity.~~

~~(f) The content to be provided over the PEG channel capacity provided pursuant to this section shall be the responsibility of the local entity or its designee receiving the benefit of that capacity, and the holder of a state franchise bears only the responsibility for the transmission of that content, subject to technological restraints.~~

~~(g) (1) The local entity shall ensure that all transmissions, content, or programming to be transmitted by a holder of a state franchise are provided or submitted in a manner or form that is compatible with the holder's network, if the local entity produces or maintains the PEG programming in that manner or form. If the local entity does not produce or maintain PEG programming in that manner or form, then the local entity may submit or provide PEG programming in a manner or form that is standard in the industry. The holder shall be responsible for any changes in the form of the transmission necessary to make it compatible with the technology or protocol utilized by the holder to deliver services. If the holder is required to change the form of the transmission, the local entity shall permit the holder to do so in a manner that is most economical to the holder.~~

~~(2) The provision of those transmissions, content, or programming to the holder of a state franchise shall constitute authorization for the holder to carry those transmissions, content, or programming. The holder may carry the transmission, content, or programming outside of the local entity's jurisdiction if the holder agrees to pay the local entity or its designee any incremental licensing costs incurred by the local entity or its designee associated with that transmission. Local entities shall be prohibited from entering into licensing agreements that impose higher proportional costs for transmission to subscribers outside the local entity's jurisdiction.~~

~~(3) The PEG signal shall be receivable by all subscribers, whether they receive digital or analog service, or a combination thereof, without the need for any equipment other than the equipment necessary to receive the lowest cost tier of service. The PEG access capacity provided shall be of similar quality and~~

~~functionality to that offered by commercial channels on the lowest cost tier of service unless the signal is provided to the holder at a lower quality or with less functionality.~~

~~(h) Where technically feasible, the holder of a state franchise and an incumbent cable operator shall negotiate in good faith to interconnect their networks for the purpose of providing PEG programming. Interconnection may be accomplished by direct cable, microwave link, satellite, or other reasonable method of connection. Holders of a state franchise and incumbent cable operators shall provide interconnection of the PEG channels on reasonable terms and conditions and may not withhold the interconnection. If a holder of a state franchise and an incumbent cable operator cannot reach a mutually acceptable interconnection agreement, the local entity may require the incumbent cable operator to allow the holder to interconnect its network with the incumbent's network at a technically feasible point on the holder's network as identified by the holder. If no technically feasible point for interconnection is available, the holder of a state franchise shall make an interconnection available to the channel originator and shall provide the facilities necessary for the interconnection. The cost of any interconnection shall be borne by the holder requesting the interconnection unless otherwise agreed to by the parties.~~

~~(i) A holder of a state franchise shall not be required to interconnect for, or otherwise to transmit, PEG content that is branded with the logo, name, or other identifying marks of another cable operator or video service provider. For purposes of this section, PEG content is not branded if it includes only production credits or other similar information displayed at the conclusion of a program. The local entity may require a cable operator or video service provider to remove its logo, name, or other identifying marks from PEG content that is to be made available through interconnection to another provider of PEG capacity.~~

~~(j) In addition to any provision for the PEG channels required under subdivisions (a) to (i), inclusive, the holder shall reserve, designate, and, upon request, activate a channel for carriage of state public affairs programming administered by the state.~~

~~(k) All obligations to provide and support PEG channel facilities and institutional networks and to provide cable services to community buildings contained in a locally issued franchise existing on December 31, 2006, shall continue until the local~~

~~franchise expires, until the term of the franchise would have expired if it had not been terminated pursuant to subdivision (o) of Section 5840, or until January 1, 2009, whichever is later.~~

~~(*l*) After January 1, 2007, and until the expiration of the incumbent cable operator's franchise, if the incumbent cable operator has existing unsatisfied obligations under the franchise to remit to the local entity any cash payments for the ongoing costs of public, education, and government access channel facilities or institutional networks, the local entity shall divide those cash payments among all cable or video providers as provided in this section. The fee shall be the holder's pro rata per-subscriber share of the cash payment required to be paid by the incumbent cable operator to the local entity for the costs of PEG channel facilities. All video service providers and the incumbent cable operator shall be subject to the same requirements for recurring payments for the support of PEG channel facilities and institutional networks, whether expressed as a percentage of gross revenue or as an amount per subscriber, per month, or otherwise.~~

~~(m) In determining the fee on a pro rata per subscriber basis, all cable and video service providers shall report, for the period in question, to the local entity the total number of subscribers served within the local entity's jurisdiction, which shall be treated as confidential by the local entity and shall be used only to derive the per subscriber fee required by this section. The local entity shall then determine the payment due from each provider based on a per subscriber basis for the period by multiplying the unsatisfied cash payments for the ongoing capital costs of PEG channel facilities by a ratio of the reported subscribers of each provider to the total subscribers within the local entity as of the end of the period. The local entity shall notify the respective providers, in writing, of the resulting pro rata amount. After the notice, any fees required by this section shall be remitted to the applicable local entity quarterly, within 45 days after the end of the quarter for the preceding calendar quarter, and may only be used by the local entity as authorized under federal law.~~

~~(n) A local entity may, by ordinance, establish a fee to support PEG channel facilities consistent with federal law that would become effective subsequent to the expiration of any fee imposed pursuant to subdivision (*l*). If no such fee exists, the local entity may establish the fee at any time. The fee shall not exceed 1 percent~~

~~of the holder's gross revenues, as defined in Section 5860. Notwithstanding this limitation, if, on December 31, 2006, a local entity is imposing a separate fee to support PEG channel facilities that is in excess of 1 percent, that entity may, by ordinance, establish a fee no greater than that separate fee, and in no event greater than 3 percent, to support PEG activities. The ordinance shall expire, and may be reauthorized, upon the expiration of the state franchise.~~

~~(o) The holder of a state franchise may recover the amount of any fee remitted to a local entity under this section by billing a recovery fee as a separate line item on the regular bill of each subscriber.~~

~~(p) A court of competent jurisdiction shall have exclusive jurisdiction to enforce any requirement under this section or resolve any dispute regarding the requirements set forth in this section, and no provider may be barred from the provision of service or be required to terminate service as a result of that dispute or enforcement action.~~

~~SEC. 225. Section 5880 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:~~

~~5880. Holders of state franchises shall comply with the Emergency Alert System requirements of the Federal Communications Commission in order that emergency messages may be distributed over the holder's network. Any provision in a locally issued franchise authorizing local entities to provide local emergency notifications shall remain in effect, and shall apply to all holders of a state-issued franchise in the same local area, for the duration of the locally issued franchise, until the term of the franchise would have expired were the franchise not terminated pursuant to subdivision (o) of Section 5840, or until January 1, 2009, whichever is later.~~

~~SEC. 226. Section 5890 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:~~

~~5890. (a) A cable operator or video service provider that has been granted a state franchise under this division may not discriminate against or deny access to service to any group of potential residential subscribers because of the income of the residents in the local area in which the group resides.~~

~~(b) Holders or their affiliates with more than 1,000,000 telephone customers in California satisfy subdivision (a) if all of the following conditions are met:~~

~~(1) Within three years after it begins providing video service under this division, at least 25 percent of households with access to the holder's video service are low-income households.~~

~~(2) Within five years after it begins providing video service under this division and continuing thereafter, at least 30 percent of the households with access to the holder's video service are low-income households.~~

~~(3) Holders provide service to community centers in underserved areas, as determined by the holder, without charge, at a ratio of one community center for every 10,000 video customers. The holder shall not be required to take its facilities beyond the appropriate demarcation point outside the community center building or perform any inside wiring. The community center may not receive service from more than one state franchise holder at a time under this section. For purposes of this section, "community center" means any facility run by an organization that has qualified for the California Teleconnect Fund, as established in Section 280, and that will make the holder's service available to the community.~~

~~(c) Holders or their affiliates with fewer than 1,000,000 telephone customers in California satisfy this section if they offer video service to all customers within their telephone service area within a reasonable time, as determined by the commission. However, the commission shall not require the holder to offer video service when the cost to provide video service is substantially above the average cost of providing video service in that telephone service area.~~

~~(d) When a holder provides video service outside of its telephone service area, is not a telephone corporation, or offers video service in an area where no other video service is being offered, other than direct-to-home satellite service, there is a rebuttable presumption that discrimination in providing service has not occurred within those areas. The commission may review the holder's proposed video service area to ensure that the area is not drawn in a discriminatory manner.~~

~~(e) For holders or their affiliates with more than 1,000,000 telephone customers in California, either of the following shall apply:~~

~~(1) If the holder is predominantly deploying fiber optic facilities to the customer's premises, the holder shall provide access to its video service to a number of households at least equal to 25 percent of the customer households in the holder's telephone service area within two years after it begins providing video service under this division, and to a number at least equal to 40 percent of those households within five years.~~

~~(2) If the holder is not predominantly deploying fiber optic facilities to the customer's premises, the holder shall provide access to its video service to a number of households at least equal to 35 percent of the households in the holder's telephone service area within three years after it begins providing video service under this division, and to a number at least equal to 50 percent of these households within five years.~~

~~(3) A holder shall not be required to meet the 40-percent requirement in paragraph (1) or the 50-percent requirement in paragraph (2) until two years after at least 30 percent of the households with access to the holder's video service subscribe to it for six consecutive months.~~

~~(4) If 30 percent of the households with access to the holder's video service have not subscribed to the holder's video service for six consecutive months within three years after it begins providing video service, the holder may submit validating documentation to the commission. If the commission finds that the documentation validates the holder's claim, then the commission shall permit a delay in meeting the 40-percent requirement in paragraph (1) or the 50-percent requirement in paragraph (2) until the time that the holder does provide service to 30 percent of the households for six consecutive months.~~

~~(f) (1) After two years of providing service under this division, the holder may apply to the state franchising authority for an extension to meet the requirements of subdivision (b), (c), or (e). Notice of this application shall also be provided to the telephone customers of the holder, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly.~~

~~(2) Upon application, the franchising authority shall hold public hearings in the telephone service area of the applicant.~~

~~(3) In reviewing the failure to satisfy the obligations contained in subdivision (b), (c), or (e), the franchising authority shall~~

~~consider factors that are beyond the control of the holder, including, but not limited to, the following:~~

~~(A) The ability of the holder to obtain access to rights-of-way under reasonable terms and conditions.~~

~~(B) The degree to which developments or buildings are not subject to competition because of existing exclusive arrangements.~~

~~(C) The degree to which developments or buildings are inaccessible using reasonable technical solutions under commercially reasonable terms and conditions.~~

~~(D) Natural disasters.~~

~~(4) The franchising authority may grant the extension only if the holder has made substantial and continuous effort to meet the requirements of subdivision (b), (c), or (e). If an extension is granted, the franchising authority shall establish a new compliance deadline.~~

~~(g) Local governments may bring complaints to the state franchising authority that a holder is not offering video service as required by this section, or the state franchising authority may open an investigation on its own motion. The state franchising authority shall hold public hearings before issuing a decision. The commission may suspend or revoke the franchise if the holder fails to comply with the provisions of this division.~~

~~(h) If the state franchising authority finds that the holder is in violation of this section, it may, in addition to any other remedies provided by law, impose a fine not to exceed 1 percent of the holder's total monthly gross revenue received from provision of video service in the state each month from the date of the decision until the date that compliance is achieved.~~

~~(i) If a court finds that the holder of the state franchise is in violation of this section, the court may immediately terminate the holder's state franchise, and the court shall, in addition to any other remedies provided by law, impose a fine not to exceed 1 percent of the holder's total gross revenue of its entire cable and video service area footprint in the state in the full calendar month immediately prior to the decision.~~

~~(j) As used in this section, the following definitions shall apply:~~

~~(1) "Household" means, consistent with the United States Census Bureau, a house, an apartment, a mobile home, a group of rooms, or a single room that is intended for occupancy as separate living quarters. Separate living quarters are those in which the~~

~~occupants live and eat separately from any other persons in the building and which have direct access from the outside of the building or through a common hall.~~

~~(2) "Low-income household" means those residential households located within the holder's existing telephone service area where the average annual household income is less than $35,000 based on the United States Census Bureau estimates adjusted annually to reflect rates of change and distribution through January 1, 2007.~~

~~(3) "Customer's household" means those residential households located within the holder's existing telephone service area that are customers of the service by which that telephone service area is defined.~~

~~(4) "Access" means that the holder is capable of providing video service at the household address using any technology, other than direct-to-home satellite service, providing two-way broadband Internet capability and video programming, content, and functionality, regardless of whether any customer has ordered service or whether the owner or landlord or other responsible person has granted access to the household. If more than one technology is utilized, the technologies shall provide similar two-way broadband Internet accessibility and similar video programming.~~

~~(k) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require a holder to provide video service outside its wireline footprint or to match the existing cable franchise territory of any cable provider.~~

~~SEC. 227. Section 5900 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:~~

~~5900. (a) The holder of a state franchise shall comply with the provisions of Sections 53055, 53055.1, 53055.2, and 53088.2 of the Government Code, and any other customer service standards pertaining to the provision of video service established by federal law or regulation or adopted by subsequent enactment of the Legislature. All customer service and consumer protection standards under this section shall be interpreted and applied to accommodate newer or different technologies while meeting or exceeding the goals of the standards.~~

~~(b) The holder of a state franchise shall comply with provisions of Section 637.5 of the Penal Code and the privacy standards contained in Section 631 of the federal Cable Act (47 U.S.C. Sec. 551 et seq.).~~

~~(c) The local entity shall enforce all of the customer service and protection standards of this section with respect to complaints received from residents within the local entity's jurisdiction, but it may not adopt or seek to enforce any additional or different customer service or other performance standards under Section 53055.3 or subdivision (q), (r), or (s) of Section 53088.2 of the Government Code, or any other authority or provision of law.~~

~~(d) The local entity shall, by ordinance or resolution, provide a schedule of penalties for any material breach by a holder of a state franchise of this section. No monetary penalties shall be assessed for a material breach if it is out of the reasonable control of the holder. Further, no monetary penalties may be imposed prior to January 1, 2007. Any schedule of monetary penalties adopted pursuant to this section shall in no event exceed five hundred dollars ($500) for each day of each material breach, not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500) for each occurrence of a material breach. However, if a material breach of this section has occurred, and the local entity has provided notice and a fine or penalty has been assessed, and if a subsequent material breach of the same nature occurs within 12 months, the penalties may be increased by the local entity to a maximum of one thousand dollars ($1,000) for each day of each material breach, not to exceed three thousand dollars ($3,000) for each occurrence of the material breach. If a third or further material breach of the same nature occurs within those same 12 months, and the local entity has provided notice and a fine or penalty has been assessed, the penalties may be increased to a maximum of two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) for each day of each material breach, not to exceed seven thousand five hundred dollars ($7,500) for each occurrence of the material breach. With respect to video service providers subject to a franchise or license, any monetary penalties assessed under this section shall be reduced dollar-for-dollar to the extent any liquidated damage or penalty provision of a current cable television ordinance, franchise contract, or license agreement imposes a monetary obligation upon a video service provider for the same customer service failures, and no other monetary damages may be assessed.~~

~~(e) The local entity shall give the video service provider written notice of any alleged material breaches of the consumer service standards of this division and allow the video service provider at~~

~~least 30 days from receipt of the notice to remedy the specified material breach.~~

~~(f) A material breach for the purposes of assessing penalties shall be deemed to have occurred for each day within the jurisdiction of each local entity, following the expiration of the period specified in subdivision (e), that any material breach has not been remedied by the video service provider, irrespective of the number of customers affected.~~

~~(g) Any penalty shall be provided to the local entity who shall submit one-half of the penalty to the Digital Divide Account established in Section 280.5.~~

~~(h) Any interested person may seek judicial review of a decision of the local entity in a court of appropriate jurisdiction. For this purpose, a court of law shall conduct a de novo review of any issues presented.~~

~~(i) This section shall not preclude a party affected by this section from utilizing any judicial remedy available to that party without regard to this section. Actions taken by a local legislative body, including a local franchising authority, pursuant to this section shall not be binding upon a court of law. For this purpose, a court of law shall conduct de novo review of any issues presented.~~

~~(j) For purposes of this section, "material breach" means any substantial and repeated failure of a video service provider to comply with service quality and other standards specified in subdivision (a).~~

~~(k) The Division of Ratepayer Advocates shall have authority to advocate on behalf of video customers regarding renewal of a state-issued franchise and enforcement of Sections 5890, 5900, and 5950. For this purpose, the division shall have access to any information in the possession of the commission subject to all restrictions on disclosure of that information that are applicable to the commission.~~

~~SEC. 228. Section 5930 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:~~

~~5930. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this division, any video service provider that currently holds a franchise with a local franchising entity in a county that is a party, either alone or in conjunction with any other local franchising entity located in that county, to a stipulation and consent judgment executed by the parties thereto and approved by a federal district court shall neither~~

~~be entitled to seek a state franchise in any area of that county, including any unincorporated area and any incorporated city of that county, nor abrogate any existing franchise before July 1, 2014. Prior to July 1, 2014, the video service provider shall continue to be exclusively governed by any existing franchise with a local franchising entity for the term of that franchise and any and all issues relating to renewal, transfer, or otherwise in relation to that franchise shall be resolved pursuant to that existing franchise and otherwise applicable federal and local law. This subdivision shall not be deemed to extend any existing franchise beyond its term.~~

~~(b) When an incumbent cable operator is providing service under an expired franchise or a franchise that expires before January 2, 2008, the local entity may extend that franchise on the same terms and conditions through January 2, 2008. A state franchise issued to any incumbent cable operator shall not become operative prior to January 2, 2008.~~

~~(c) When a video service provider that holds a state franchise provides the notice required pursuant to subdivision (h) of Section 5840 to a local entity, the local franchising entity may require all incumbent cable operators to seek a state franchise and shall terminate the franchise issued by the local franchising entity when the commission issues a state franchise for the video service provider that includes the entire service area served by the video service provider and the video service provider notifies the local entity that it will begin providing video service in that area under a state franchise.~~

~~SEC. 229. Section 5960 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:~~

~~5960. (a) For purposes of this section, "census tract" has the same meaning as used by the United States Census Bureau, and "household" has the same meaning as specified in Section 5890.~~

~~(b) Every holder, no later than April 1, 2008, and annually no later than April 1 thereafter, shall report to the commission on a census tract basis the following information:~~

~~(1) Broadband information:~~

~~(A) The number of households to which the holder makes broadband available in this state. If the holder does not maintain this information on a census tract basis in its normal course of business, the holder may reasonably approximate the number of~~

~~households based on information it keeps in the normal course of business.~~

~~(B) The number of households that subscribe to broadband that the holder makes available in this state.~~

~~(C) Whether the broadband provided by the holder utilizes wireline-based facilities or another technology.~~

~~(2) Video information:~~

~~(A) If the holder is a telephone corporation:~~

~~(i) The number of households in the holder's telephone service area.~~

~~(ii) The number of households in the holder's telephone service area that are offered video service by the holder.~~

~~(B) If the holder is not a telephone corporation:~~

~~(i) The number of households in the holder's video service area.~~

~~(ii) The number of households in the holder's video service area that are offered video service by the holder.~~

~~(3) Low-income household information:~~

~~(A) The number of low-income households in the holder's video service area.~~

~~(B) The number of low-income households in the holder's video service area that are offered video service by the holder.~~

~~(c) The commission, no later than July 1, 2008, and annually no later than July 1 thereafter, shall submit to the Governor and the Legislature a report that includes based on year-end data, on an aggregated basis, the information submitted by holders pursuant to subdivision (b).~~

~~(d) All information submitted to the commission and reported by the commission pursuant to this section shall be disclosed to the public only as provided for pursuant to Section 583. No individually identifiable customer information shall be subject to public disclosure.~~

~~SEC. 230.~~

SEC. 220. Section 7662 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

7662. (a) (1) A railroad corporation shall place appropriate signage to notify an engineer of an approaching grade crossing, consistent with federal law.

(2) Whistle post signs shall be deemed to satisfy this requirement.

(b) (1) Whenever a railroad issues written or verbal instructions to employees that may restrict or stop train movements because of track conditions, structures, persons, or equipment working, appropriate flags that are readily visible and easily recognizable to the crews on both passenger and freight trains shall be displayed as quickly as practicable. Yellow flags shall be used for temporary speed restrictions, consistent with paragraphs (2) and (3). Yellow-red flags shall be used, consistent with paragraphs (4) and (5), when a train may be required to stop.

(2) Yellow flags shall be used to warn trains to restrict movement because of track conditions or structures. Except as provided in paragraph (3), a yellow flag shall be displayed two miles before the restricted area in order to ensure that train movement is restricted at the proper location.

(3) When the restricted area is close to a terminal, junction, or another area, the yellow flag may be displayed less than two miles before the restricted area. This information shall be included in the written instructions to employees issued pursuant to paragraph (1).

(4) Yellow-red flags shall be used to warn trains to be prepared to stop because of persons or equipment working. A yellow-red flag shall be displayed two miles before the restricted area in order to ensure that the train is prepared to stop at the proper location.

(5) When the restricted area is close to a terminal, junction, or other area, the yellow-red flag may be displayed less than two miles before the restricted area. This information shall be included in the written instructions to employees issued pursuant to paragraph (1).

(6) Flags shall be displayed only on the track affected and shall be displayed to the right side of the track as viewed from the approaching train. The flags shall be displayed to protect all possible access to the restricted area.

(c) A railroad corporation shall provide milepost markers to train crews at accurate one-mile intervals. The markers shall be readily visible to the locomotive engineer within the locomotive cab, and shall be kept in good repair and replaced when necessary.

(d) A railroad corporation shall place whistle signs to the right of the main track in the direction of approach, exactly one-quarter mile from the entrance to any grade crossing as a point of reference for locomotive engineers who blow the whistle and ring the bell

for these grade crossings as a warning to the public. The signs, which shall consist of an "X" or "W" or other identifiable mark or symbol on a square plate mounted on a post, shall be readily visible to a locomotive engineer within the locomotive cab, shall be kept in good repair, and shall be replaced when necessary.

(e) A railroad corporation shall place permanent speed signs to the right of the track in the direction of approach, two miles in advance of the point where the speed is either increased or decreased for both passenger and freight trains. The signs shall be readily visible to a locomotive engineer within the locomotive cab, shall be kept in good repair, and shall be replaced when necessary.

(f) A railroad corporation shall notify the commission and the collective bargaining representative of any affected employee of any new utilization of remote control locomotives in the state, on or after January 1, 2007.

(g) A railroad corporation shall provide immediate notification to the Office of Emergency Services of accidents, incidents, and other events, concurrent with those provided to the Federal Railroad Administration's National Response Center, as required by Part 225.9 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

~~SEC. 231.~~

SEC. 221. Section 7665.2 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

7665.2. By July 1, 2007, every operator of rail facilities shall provide a risk assessment to the commission, the Director of Homeland Security, and the Office of Emergency Services for each rail facility in the state that is under its ownership, operation, or control. The risk assessment shall, for each rail facility, describe all of the following:

(a) The location and functions of the rail facility.

(b) All types of cargo that are moved through, or stored at, the rail facility.

(c) Any hazardous cargo that is moved through, or stored at, the rail facility.

(d) The frequency that any hazardous cargo is moved through, or stored at, the rail facility.

(e) A description of the practices of the rail operator to prevent acts of sabotage, terrorism, or other crimes on the rail facility.

(f) All training programs that the rail operator requires for its employees at the rail facility.

(g) The emergency response procedures of the rail operator to deal with acts of sabotage, terrorism, or other crimes at the rail facility.

(h) The procedures of the rail operator to communicate with local and state law enforcement personnel, emergency personnel, transportation officials, and other first responders, in the event of acts of sabotage, terrorism, or other crimes at the rail facility.

~~SEC. 232.~~

SEC. 222. Section 8340 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

8340. For purposes of this chapter, the following terms have the following meanings:

(a) "Baseload generation" means electricity generation from a powerplant that is designed and intended to provide electricity at an annualized plant capacity factor of at least 60 percent.

(b) "Combined-cycle natural gas" with respect to a powerplant means the powerplant employs a combination of one or more gas turbines and steam turbines in which electricity is produced in the steam turbine from otherwise lost waste heat exiting from one or more of the gas turbines.

(c) "Community choice aggregator" means a "community choice aggregator" as defined in Section 331.1.

(d) "Electrical corporation" means an "electrical corporation" as defined in Section 218.

(e) "Electric service provider" means an "electric service provider" as defined in Section 218.3, but does not include corporations or persons employing cogeneration technology or producing electricity from other than a conventional power source consistent with subdivision (b) of Section 218.

(f) "Energy Commission" means the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission.

(g) "Greenhouse gases" means those gases listed in subdivision (h) of Section 42801.1 of the Health and Safety Code.

(h) "Load-serving entity" means every electrical corporation, electric service provider, or community choice aggregator serving end-use customers in the state.

(i) "Local publicly owned electric utility" means a "local publicly owned electric utility" as defined in Section 9604.

(j) "Long-term financial commitment" means either a new ownership investment in baseload generation or a new or renewed

contract with a term of five or more years, which includes procurement of baseload generation.

(k) "Output-based methodology" means a greenhouse gases emission performance standard that is expressed in pounds of greenhouse gases emitted per megawatthour and factoring in the useful thermal energy employed for purposes other than the generation of electricity.

(*l*) "Plant capacity factor" means the ratio of the electricity produced during a given time period, measured in kilowatthours, to the electricity the unit could have produced if it had been operated at its rated capacity during that period, expressed in kilowatthours.

(m) "Powerplant" means a facility for the generation of electricity, and includes one or more generating units at the same location.

(n) "Zero- or low-carbon generating resource" means an electrical generating resource that will generate electricity while producing emissions of greenhouse gases at a rate substantially below the greenhouse gases emission performance standard, as determined by the commission.

~~SEC. 233.~~

SEC. 223. Section 8341 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

8341. (a) No load-serving entity or local publicly owned electric utility may enter into a long-term financial commitment unless any baseload generation supplied under the long-term financial commitment complies with the greenhouse gases emission performance standard established by the commission, pursuant to subdivision (d), for a load-serving entity, or by the Energy Commission, pursuant to subdivision (e), for a local publicly owned electric utility.

(b) (1) The commission shall not approve a long-term financial commitment by an electrical corporation unless any baseload generation supplied under the long-term financial commitment complies with the greenhouse gases emission performance standard established by the commission pursuant to subdivision (d).

(2) The commission may, in order to enforce this section, review any long-term financial commitment proposed to be entered into by an electric service provider or a community choice aggregator.

(3) The commission shall adopt rules to enforce the requirements of this section, for load-serving entities. The commission shall adopt procedures, for all load-serving entities, to verify the emissions of greenhouse gases from any baseload generation supplied under a contract subject to the greenhouse gases emission performance standard to ensure compliance with the standard.

(4) In determining whether a long-term financial commitment is for baseload generation, the commission shall consider the design of the powerplant and the intended use of the powerplant, as determined by the commission based upon the electricity purchase contract, any certification received from the Energy Commission, any other permit or certificate necessary for the operation of the powerplant, including a certificate of public convenience and necessity, any procurement approval decision for the load-serving entity, and any other matter the commission determines is relevant under the circumstances.

(5) Costs incurred by an electrical corporation to comply with this section, including those costs incurred for electricity purchase agreements that are approved by the commission that comply with the greenhouse gases emission performance standard, are to be treated as procurement costs incurred pursuant to an approved procurement plan and the commission shall ensure timely cost recovery of those costs pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 454.5.

(6) A long-term financial commitment entered into through a contract approved by the commission, for electricity generated by a zero- or low-carbon generating resource that is contracted for, on behalf of consumers of this state on a cost-of-service basis, shall be recoverable in rates, in a manner determined by the commission consistent with Section 380. The commission may, after a hearing, approve an increase from one-half to 1 percent in the return on investment by the third party entering into the contract with an electrical corporation with respect to investment in zero- or low-carbon generation resources authorized pursuant to this subdivision.

(c) (1) The Energy Commission shall adopt regulations for the enforcement of this chapter with respect to a local publicly owned electric utility.

(2) The Energy Commission may, in order to ensure compliance with the greenhouse gases emission performance standard by local

publicly owned electric utilities, apply the procedures adopted by the commission to verify the emissions of greenhouse gases from baseload generation pursuant to subdivision (b).

(3) In determining whether a long-term financial commitment is for baseload generation, the Energy Commission shall consider the design of the powerplant and the intended use of the powerplant, as determined by the Energy Commission based upon the electricity purchase contract, any certification received from the Energy Commission, any other permit for the operation of the powerplant, any procurement approval decision for the load-serving entity, and any other matter the Energy Commission determines is relevant under the circumstances.

(d) (1) On or before February 1, 2007, the commission, through a rulemaking proceeding, and in consultation with the Energy Commission and the State Air Resources Board, shall establish a greenhouse gases emission performance standard for all baseload generation of load-serving entities, at a rate of emissions of greenhouse gases that is no higher than the rate of emissions of greenhouse gases for combined-cycle natural gas baseload generation. Enforcement of the greenhouse gases emission performance standard shall begin immediately upon the establishment of the standard. All combined-cycle natural gas powerplants that are in operation, or that have an Energy Commission final permit decision to operate as of June 30, 2007, shall be deemed to be in compliance with the greenhouse gases emission performance standard.

(2) In determining the rate of emissions of greenhouse gases for baseload generation, the commission shall include the net emissions resulting from the production of electricity by the baseload generation.

(3) The commission shall establish an output-based methodology to ensure that the calculation of emissions of greenhouse gases for cogeneration recognizes the total usable energy output of the process, and includes all greenhouse gases emitted by the facility in the production of both electrical and thermal energy.

(4) In calculating the emissions of greenhouse gases by facilities generating electricity from biomass, biogas, or landfill gas energy, the commission shall consider net emissions from the process of growing, processing, and generating the electricity from the fuel source.

(5) Carbon dioxide that is injected in geological formations, so as to prevent releases into the atmosphere, in compliance with applicable laws and regulations shall not be counted as emissions of the powerplant in determining compliance with the greenhouse gases emissions performance standard.

(6) In adopting and implementing the greenhouse gases emission performance standard, the commission, in consultation with the Independent System Operator shall consider the effects of the standard on system reliability and overall costs to electricity customers.

(7) In developing and implementing the greenhouse gases emission performance standard, the commission shall address long-term purchases of electricity from unspecified sources in a manner consistent with this chapter.

(8) In developing and implementing the greenhouse gases emission performance standard, the commission shall consider and act in a manner consistent with any rules adopted pursuant to Section 824a-3 of Title 16 of the United States Code.

(9) An electrical corporation that provides electric service to 75,000 or fewer retail end-use customers in California may file with the commission a proposal for alternative compliance with this section, which the commission may accept upon a showing by the electrical corporation of both of the following:

(A) A majority of the electrical corporation's retail end-use customers for electric service are located outside of California.

(B) The emissions of greenhouse gases to generate electricity for the retail end-use customers of the electrical corporation are subject to a review by the utility regulatory commission of at least one other state in which the electrical corporation provides regulated retail electric service.

(e) (1) On or before June 30, 2007, the Energy Commission, at a duly noticed public hearing and in consultation with the commission and the State Air Resources Board, shall establish a greenhouse gases emission performance standard for all baseload generation of local publicly owned electric utilities at a rate of emissions of greenhouse gases that is no higher than the rate of emissions of greenhouse gases for combined-cycle natural gas baseload generation. The greenhouse gases emission performance standard established by the Energy Commission for local publicly owned electric utilities shall be consistent with the standard adopted

by the commission for load-serving entities. Enforcement of the greenhouse gases emission performance standard shall begin immediately upon the establishment of the standard. All combined-cycle natural gas powerplants that are in operation, or that have an Energy Commission final permit decision to operate as of June 30, 2007, shall be deemed to be in compliance with the greenhouse gases emission performance standard.

(2) The greenhouse gases emission performance standard shall be adopted by regulation pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code).

(3) In determining the rate of emissions of greenhouse gases for baseload generation, the Energy Commission shall include the net emissions resulting from the production of electricity by the baseload generation.

(4) The Energy Commission shall establish an output-based methodology to ensure that the calculation of emissions of greenhouse gases for cogeneration recognizes the total usable energy output of the process, and includes all greenhouse gases emitted by the facility in the production of both electrical and thermal energy.

(5) In calculating the emissions of greenhouse gases by facilities generating electricity from biomass, biogas, or landfill gas energy, the Energy Commission shall consider net emissions from the process of growing, processing, and generating the electricity from the fuel source.

(6) Carbon dioxide that is captured from the emissions of a powerplant and that is permanently disposed of in geological formations in compliance with applicable laws and regulations, shall not be counted as emissions from the powerplant.

(7) In adopting and implementing the greenhouse gases emission performance standard, the Energy Commission, in consultation with the Independent System Operator, shall consider the effects of the standard on system reliability and overall costs to electricity customers.

(8) In developing and implementing the greenhouse gases emission performance standard, the Energy Commission shall address long-term purchases of electricity from unspecified sources in a manner consistent with this chapter.

(9) In developing and implementing the greenhouse gases emission performance standard, the Energy Commission shall consider and act in a manner consistent with any rules adopted pursuant to Section 824a-3 of Title 16 of the United States Code.

(f) The Energy Commission, in a duly noticed public hearing and in consultation with the commission and the State Air Resources Board, shall reevaluate and continue, modify, or replace the greenhouse gases emission performance standard when an enforceable greenhouse gases emissions limit is established and in operation, that is applicable to local publicly owned electric utilities.

(g) The commission, through a rulemaking proceeding and in consultation with the Energy Commission and the State Air Resources Board, shall reevaluate and continue, modify, or replace the greenhouse gases emission performance standard when an enforceable greenhouse gases emissions limit is established and in operation, that is applicable to load-serving entities.

~~SEC. 234.~~

SEC. 224. Section 132610 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

132610. (a) The authority has all of the powers necessary for planning, acquiring, leasing, developing, jointly developing, owning, controlling, using, jointly using, disposing of, designing, procuring, and building the project, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(1) Acceptance of grants, fees, allocations, and transfers of funds from federal, state, and local agencies, and private entities.

(2) Acquiring, through purchase or through eminent domain proceedings, any property necessary for, incidental to, or convenient for, the exercise of the powers of the authority, provided the authority shall use existing rights-of-way where feasible.

(3) Incurring indebtedness, secured by pledges of revenue available for project completion.

(4) Contracting with public and private entities for the planning, design, and construction of the project. These contracts may be assigned separately or may be combined to include any or all tasks necessary for completion of the project.

(5) Entering into cooperative or joint development agreements with local governments or private entities. These agreements may be entered into for the purpose of sharing costs, selling or leasing

land, air, or development rights, providing for the transferring of passengers, making pooling arrangements, or for any other purpose that is necessary for, incidental to, or convenient for the full exercise of the powers granted to the authority. For purposes of this paragraph, "joint development" includes, but is not limited to, an agreement with any person, firm, corporation, association, or organization for the operation of facilities or development of projects adjacent to, or physically or functionally related to, the project.

(6) Relocation of utilities, as necessary for completion of the project.

(b) The duties of the authority include, but are not limited to, all of the following:

(1) Conducting financial and environmental studies, planning, and engineering necessary for completion of the project.

(2) (A) Adoption of an administrative code for administration of the authority in accordance with any applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Ralph M. Brown Act (Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 54950) of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code), contracting and procurement laws, laws relating to contracting goals for minority and women business participation, and the Political Reform Act of 1974 (Title 9 (commencing with Section 81000) of the Government Code).

(B) (i) The administrative code adopted under subparagraph (A) shall include a code of conduct for employees and board members that is consistent with Sections 84308 and 87103 of the Government Code and prohibits board members and staff from accepting gifts valued at ten dollars ($10) or more from contractors, potential contractors, or their subcontractors.

(ii) The code shall require the disclosure, on the record, of the proceedings by the officer of the agency who receives a contribution within the preceding 24 months in an amount of more than two hundred fifty dollars ($250) from a party or participant to a proceeding, and the disclosure by the party or participant.

(iii) The code shall provide that no officer of the agency shall make, participate in making, or in any way attempt to use his or her official position to influence the decision in a proceeding, as described in Section 84308 of the Government Code, if the officer has willfully or knowingly received a contribution in the amount of more than two hundred fifty dollars ($250) within the preceding

24 months from a party or his or her agent, or from any participant or his or her agent, if the participant has a financial interest in the decision.

(iv) Any officer deemed ineligible to participate in a proceeding due to the provisions of this code of conduct may be replaced for the purposes of that proceeding by an appointee chosen by the appropriate appointing authority.

(v) Under the code of conduct, board members shall be deemed to have a financial interest in a decision within the meaning of Section 87100 of the Government Code if the decision involves the donor of, or intermediary or agent for a donor of, a gift or gifts aggregating ten dollars ($10) or more in value within the 12 months prior to the time the decision was made.

(vi) Board members, alternate members, officers, consultants, and employees shall not be considered financially interested solely by virtue of their holding office or being employed by the authority as well as an appointing authority set forth in subdivision (a) of Section 132615, and they may participate in decisions and agreements regarding the authority and any of the appointing authorities set forth in subdivision (a) of Section 132615. The participation described in this clause shall not constitute a conflict of interest under Section 1090 of the Government Code and shall not constitute an incompatible activity under Section 1126 of the Government Code.

(3) As necessary for final design and construction, completion of a detailed management, implementation, safety, and financial plan for the project and submission of the plan to the Governor, the Legislature, and the commission.

(c) The authority shall make reasonable progress, as determined by the commission, in the final design and construction of the project.

(d) The duties and responsibilities imposed by this section shall be contingent upon allocation of federal and local funds by the LACMTA for these purposes.

~~SEC. 235. Section 107.7 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:~~

~~107.7. (a) When valuing possessory interests in real property created by the right to place wires, conduits, and appurtenances along or across public streets, rights-of-way, or public easements contained in either a cable franchise or license granted pursuant~~

~~to Section 53066 of the Government Code (a "cable possessory interest") or a state franchise to provide video service pursuant to Section 5840 of the Public Utilities Code (a "video possessory interest"), the assessor shall value these possessory interests consistent with Section 401. The methods of valuation shall include, but not be limited to, the comparable sales method, the income method (including, but not limited to, capitalizing rent), or the cost method.~~

~~(b) (1) The preferred method of valuation of a cable possessory interest or video possessory interest by the assessor is capitalizing the annual rent, using an appropriate capitalization rate.~~

~~(2) For purposes of this section, the annual rent shall be that portion of that franchise fee received that is determined to be payment for the cable possessory interest or video possessory interest for the actual remaining term or the reasonably anticipated term of the franchise or license or the appropriate economic rent. If the assessor does not use a portion of the franchise fee as the economic rent, the resulting assessments shall not benefit from any presumption of correctness.~~

~~(c) If the comparable sales method, which is not the preferred method, is used by the assessor to value a cable possessory interest or video possessory interest when sold in combination with other property, including, but not limited to, intangible assets or rights, the resulting assessments shall not benefit from any presumption of correctness.~~

~~(d) Intangible assets or rights of a cable system or the provider of video services are not subject to ad valorem property taxation. These intangible assets or rights include, but are not limited to: franchises or licenses to construct, operate, and maintain a cable system or video service system for a specified franchise term (excepting therefrom that portion of the franchise or license which grants the possessory interest), subscribers, marketing, and programming contracts, nonreal property lease agreements, management and operating systems, a workforce in place, going concern value, deferred, startup, or prematurity costs, covenants not to compete, and goodwill. However, a cable possessory interest or video possessory interest may be assessed and valued by assuming the presence of intangible assets or rights necessary to put the cable possessory interest or video possessory interest to~~

~~beneficial or productive use in an operating cable system or video service system.~~

~~(e) Whenever any change in ownership of a cable possessory interest or video possessory interest occurs, the person or legal entity required to file a statement pursuant to Section 480, 480.1, or 480.2 shall, at the request of the assessor, provide as a part of that statement the following, if applicable: confirmation of the sales price; allocation of the sales price among the counties; and gross revenue and franchise fee expenses of the cable system or video system by county. Failure to provide this information shall result in a penalty as provided in Section 482, except that the maximum penalty shall be five thousand dollars ($5,000).~~

~~SEC. 236.~~

SEC. 225. Section 18766 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

18766. (a) This article shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2010, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which is enacted before January 1, 2010, deletes that date.

(b) (1) By September 1, 2006, and by September 1 of each subsequent calendar year that the California Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Research Fund appears on a tax return, the Franchise Tax Board shall do all of the following:

(A) Determine the minimum contribution amount required to be received during the next calendar year for the fund to appear on the tax return for the taxable year that includes that next calendar year.

(B) Provide written notification to the Secretary of California Health and Human Services of the amount determined in subparagraph (A).

(C) Determine whether the amount of contributions estimated to be received during the calendar year will equal or exceed the minimum contributions amount determined by the Franchise Tax Board for the calendar year pursuant to subparagraph (A). The Franchise Tax Board shall estimate the amount of contributions to be received by using the actual amounts received and an estimate of the contributions that will be received by the end of that calendar year.

(2) If the Franchise Tax Board determines that the amount of contributions estimated to be received during a calendar year will not at least equal the minimum contribution amount for the calendar

year, this article is repealed with respect to taxable years beginning on or after January 1 of that calendar year.

(3) For purposes of this section, the minimum contribution amount for a calendar year means two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) for the 2000 calendar year or the minimum contribution amount adjusted pursuant to subdivision (c).

(c) For each calendar year, beginning with calendar year 2001, the Franchise Tax Board shall adjust, on or before September 1 of that calendar year, the minimum contribution amount specified in subdivision (b) as follows:

(1) The minimum contribution amount for the calendar year shall be an amount equal to the product of the minimum contribution amount for the prior calendar year multiplied by the inflation factor adjustment as specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (h) of Section 17041, rounded off to the nearest dollar.

(2) The inflation factor adjustment used for the calendar year shall be based on the figures for the percentage change in the California Consumer Price Index received on or before August 1 of the calendar year pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (h) of Section 17041.

(d) Notwithstanding the repeal of this article, any contribution amounts designated pursuant to this article prior to its repeal shall continue to be transferred and disbursed in accordance with this article as in effect immediately prior to that repeal.

~~SEC. 237.~~

SEC. 226. Section 18847.3 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

18847.3. (a) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (b), this article shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2011, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2011, deletes or extends that date.

(b) (1) By September 1, 2006, and by September 1 of each subsequent calendar year that the California Colorectal Cancer Prevention Fund appears on a tax return, the Franchise Tax Board shall do all of the following:

(A) Determine the minimum contributions amount required to be received during the next calendar year for the fund to appear on the tax return for the taxable year that includes that next calendar year.

(B) Provide written notification to the State Department of Health Services of the amount determined in subparagraph (A).

(C) Determine whether the amount of contributions estimated to be received during the calendar year will equal or exceed the minimum contribution amount determined by the Franchise Tax Board for the calendar year pursuant to subparagraph (A). The Franchise Tax Board shall estimate the amount of contributions to be received by using the actual amounts received and an estimate of the contributions that will be received by the end of that calendar year.

(2) If the Franchise Tax Board determines that the amount of contributions estimated to be received during a calendar year will not at least equal the minimum contribution amount for the calendar year, this article is repealed with respect to taxable years beginning on or after January 1 of that calendar year.

(3) For purposes of this section, the minimum contribution amount for a calendar year means two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) for the 2007 calendar year or the minimum contribution amount adjusted pursuant to subdivision (c).

(c) For each calendar year, beginning with the 2008 calendar year, the Franchise Tax Board shall adjust, on or before September 1 of that calendar year, the minimum contribution amount specified in subdivision (b) as follows:

(1) The minimum contribution amount for the calendar year shall be an amount equal to the product of the minimum contribution amount for the prior calendar year, multiplied by the inflation factor adjustment as specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (h) of Section 17041, rounded off to the nearest dollar.

(2) The inflation factor adjustment used for the calendar year shall be based on the figures for the percentage change in the California Consumer Price Index received on or before August 1 of the calendar year pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (h) of Section 17041.

(d) Notwithstanding the repeal of this article, any contribution amounts designated pursuant to this article prior to its repeal shall continue to be transferred and disbursed in accordance with this article as in effect immediately prior to that repeal.

SEC. 226.5. Section 19533 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

19533. In the event the debtor has more than one debt being collected by the Franchise Tax Board and the amount collected by the Franchise Tax Board is insufficient to satisfy the total amount owing, the amount collected shall be applied in the following priority:

(a) Payment of any delinquencies transferred for collection under Article 5 (commencing with Section 19270) of Chapter 5.

(b) Payment of any taxes, additions to tax, penalties, interest, fees, or other amounts due and payable under Part 7.5 (commencing with Section 13201), Part 10 (commencing with Section 17001), Part 11 (commencing with Section 23001), or this part.

(c) Payment of delinquent wages collected pursuant to the Labor Code.

(d) Payment of delinquencies collected under Section 10878.

(e) Payment of any amounts due that are referred for collection under Article 5.5 (commencing with Section 19280) of Chapter 5.

(f) Payment of any amounts that are referred for collection pursuant to Section 62.9 of the Labor Code.

(g) Payment of delinquent penalties collected for the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to the Labor Code.

(h) Payment of delinquent fees collected for the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to the Labor Code.

(i) Payment of delinquencies referred by the Student Aid Commission ~~pursuant to Section 16583.5 of the Government Code~~.

(j) Notwithstanding the payment priority established by this section, voluntary payments made by a taxpayer designated by the taxpayer as payment for a personal income tax liability, shall not be applied pursuant to this priority, but shall instead be applied solely to the personal income tax liability for which the voluntary payment was made.

SEC. 227. Section 23704.4 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

23704.4. Section 501(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to the treatment of certain organizations providing care of children, shall apply, except as otherwise provided.

(a) The reference to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to charitable organizations, shall be modified to refer to Section 23701d.

(b) The reference to Section 2522(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to the computation of taxable gifts or Internal Revenue Code Section 2055, relating to transfers for ~~pubic~~ *public*, charitable, and religious uses, shall not apply.

~~SEC. 238.~~

SEC. 228. Section 30182 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

30182. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), every distributor shall file, on or before the 25th day of each month, a report in the form as prescribed by the board, that may include, but not be limited to, electronic media, with respect to distributions of cigarettes and purchases of stamps and meter register units during the preceding month and any other information as the board may require to carry out this part.

(b) Every distributor that elects, pursuant to Section 30168, to make deferred payments on a twice-monthly basis shall file a report in the form as prescribed by the board, that may include, but not be limited to, electronic media, with respect to distributions of cigarettes and purchases of stamps and meter register units during the month following the month in which the distribution occurred and the stamps and meter register settings were purchased, and any other information as the board may require to carry out this part. The monthly report shall be filed on or before the fifth day of the month with respect to those distributions of cigarettes and purchases of stamps and meter register settings that were made during the preceding month.

(c) Reports shall be authenticated in a form, or pursuant to methods, as may be prescribed by the board.

~~SEC. 239.~~

SEC. 229. Section 97 of the Streets and Highways Code is amended to read:

97. (a) In order to be designated by statute as a Safety Enhancement-Double Fine Zone, a highway or road segment shall have experienced a significant number of traffic accidents, injuries, and fatalities within the prior three-year period, and other traffic safety measures that have been undertaken shall have not appreciably reduced the level of those incidents.

(b) The concurrence in the designation of the Department of the California Highway Patrol or local agency having traffic enforcement jurisdiction, as the case may be, shall be required

prior to designation of the zone pursuant to statute, along with a resolution supporting the designation from the city, or county with respect to an unincorporated area, in which the segment is located.

(c) Each local governing body where a double fine zone is designated by statute in its jurisdiction shall, prior to the establishment of a double fine zone, do the following:

(1) Undertake a public awareness campaign to inform the public of the double fine zone designation, where it is located, its purpose, and its consequences.

(2) Where appropriate, increased traffic safety enhancements, enforcement, and other roadway safety measures shall be implemented in coordination with the establishment of the double fine zone.

(d) A Safety Enhancement-Double Fine Zone is subject to the rules and regulations adopted by the department prescribing uniform standards for warning signs to notify motorists that, pursuant to Section 42010 of the Vehicle Code, increased penalties apply for traffic violations that are committed within a Safety Enhancement-Double Fine Zone.

(e) The department or the local authority having jurisdiction over these highway and road segments shall place and maintain the warning signs identifying these segments by stating that a "Special Safety Zone Region Begins Here" and a "Special Safety Zone Ends Here." The department shall adopt rules and regulations for the administration of a Safety Enhancement-Double Fine Zone under this section.

(f) Safety Enhancement-Double Fine Zones do not increase the civil liability of the state or local authority having jurisdiction over the highway segment under Division 3.6 (commencing with Section 810) of Title 1 of the Government Code or any other provision of law relating to civil liability.

(1) Only the base fine shall be enhanced pursuant to this section.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any additional penalty, forfeiture, or assessment imposed by any other statute shall be based on the amount of the base fine before enhancement or doubling and shall not be based on the amount of the enhanced fine imposed pursuant to this section.

(g) The projects specified as a Safety Enhancement-Double Fine Zone shall not be elevated in priority for state funding purposes.

(h) The term for a Safety Enhancement-Double Fine Zone shall be limited to four years.

(i) The Department of Transportation shall conduct an evaluation of the effectiveness of all double fine zones that will terminate the same calendar year and submit its findings in one report to the Assembly Committee on Transportation and the Senate Committee on Transportation and Housing one year prior to the termination of the double fine zones. The report shall include a recommendation on whether the zones should be reauthorized by the Legislature.

~~SEC. 240.~~

SEC. 230. Section 97.1 of the Streets and Highways Code is amended to read:

97.1. (a) A highway segment shall be designated as a Safety Awareness Zone if all of the following conditions have been met:

(1) The highway segment is eligible for designation under Section 97.01.

(2) Each local governing body or bodies, with jurisdiction over the area or areas in which the eligible segment is located, has adopted a resolution indicating its support for the designation as well as a Safety Awareness Zone Plan addressing education, enforcement, and engineering measures intended to support the designation.

(3) If the highway segment is a state highway, the Safety Awareness Zone Plan has been approved by the Director of Transportation and the Commissioner of the Department of the California Highway Patrol.

(b) A Safety Awareness Zone designation shall be deemed effective immediately upon satisfaction of all requirements pursuant to subdivision (a) and may remain in effect for a period not to exceed three years from the effective date. The designation may be renewed for a period not to exceed three years. Renewal of a designation for a highway segment that is a state highway shall require the approval by the Director of Transportation and the Commissioner of the Department of the California Highway Patrol of an updated Safety Awareness Zone Plan.

(c) The department shall develop a sign to notify motorists of the presence of a Safety Awareness Zone, and shall place and maintain the signs for as long as the designation is in effect pursuant to this section.

(d) Presence of a Safety Awareness Zone does not increase the civil liability of the state or local authority having jurisdiction over the highway segment under Division 3.6 (commencing with Section 810) of Title 1 of the Government Code or any other provision of law relating to civil liability.

(e) Projects on a highway segment specified as a Safety Awareness Zone shall not be elevated in priority for state funding purposes.

(f) For purposes of this section, "highway" has the meaning set forth in Section 360 of the Vehicle Code.

~~SEC. 241.~~

SEC. 231. Section 143 of the Streets and Highways Code is amended to read:

143. (a) (1) "Regional transportation agency" means any of the following:

(A) A transportation planning agency as defined in Section 29532 or 29532.1 of the Government Code.

(B) A county transportation commission as defined in Section 130050, 130050.1, or 130050.2 of the Public Utilities Code.

(C) Any other local or regional transportation entity that is designated by statute as a regional transportation agency.

(D) A joint exercise of powers authority as defined in Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 6500) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code, with the consent of a transportation planning agency or a county transportation commission for the jurisdiction in which the transportation project will be developed.

(2) "Transportation project" means one or more of the following: planning, design, development, finance, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, improvement, acquisition, lease, operation, or maintenance of highway, public street, rail, or related facilities supplemental to existing facilities currently owned and operated by the department or regional transportation agencies that is consistent with the requirements of paragraph (2) of subdivision (b).

(b) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, only the department, in cooperation with regional transportation agencies, and regional transportation agencies, may solicit proposals, accept unsolicited proposals, negotiate, and enter into comprehensive development lease agreements with public or private entities, or consortia thereof, for transportation projects.

(2) The number of projects authorized pursuant to this section shall be limited to two projects in northern California and two projects in southern California. The California Transportation Commission shall select the candidate projects from projects nominated by the department or a regional transportation agency. No fewer than two of the selected projects shall be nominated by a regional transportation agency. The projects shall be primarily designed to improve goods movement, including, but not limited to, exclusive truck lanes and rail access and operational improvements. The projects shall address a known forecast demand, as determined by the department or regional transportation agency.

(3) All negotiated lease agreements shall be submitted to the Legislature for approval or rejection. Prior to submitting a lease agreement to the Legislature, the department or regional transportation agency shall conduct at least one public hearing at a location at or near the proposed facility for purposes of receiving public comment on the lease agreement. Public comments made during this hearing shall be submitted to the Legislature with the lease agreement. Unless the Legislature passes a resolution, with both houses concurring, rejecting a negotiated lease agreement within 60 legislative days of the agreement being submitted to it, the agreement shall be deemed approved. A lease agreement may not be amended by the Legislature.

(c) For the purpose of facilitating those projects, the agreements between the parties may include provisions for the lease of rights-of-way in, and airspace over or under, highways, public streets, rail, or related facilities for the granting of necessary easements, and for the issuance of permits or other authorizations to enable the construction of transportation projects. Facilities subject to an agreement under this section shall, at all times, be owned by the department or the regional transportation agency, as appropriate. For department projects, the commission shall certify the department's determination of the useful life of the project in establishing the lease agreement terms. In consideration therefor, the agreement shall provide for complete reversion of the leased facility, together with the right to collect tolls and user fees, to the department or regional transportation agency, at the expiration of the lease at no charge to the department or regional transportation agency. At time of the reversion, the facility shall

be delivered to the department or regional transportation agency, as applicable, in a condition that meets the performance and maintenance standards established by the department and that is free of any encumbrance, lien, or other claims.

(d) (1) The department or a regional transportation agency may exercise any power possessed by it with respect to transportation projects to facilitate the transportation projects pursuant to this section. The department, regional transportation agency, and other state or local agencies may provide services to the contracting entity for which the public entity is reimbursed, including, but not limited to, planning, environmental planning, environmental certification, environmental review, preliminary design, design, right-of-way acquisition, construction, maintenance, and policing of these transportation projects. The department or regional transportation agency, as applicable, shall regularly inspect the facility and require the lessee to maintain and operate the facility according to adopted standards. The lessee shall be responsible for all costs due to development, maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, and reconstruction, and operating costs.

(2) In selecting private entities with which to enter into these agreements, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department and regional transportation agencies may utilize, but are not limited to utilizing, one or more of the following procurement approaches:

(A) Solicitations of proposals for defined projects and calls for project proposals within defined parameters.

(B) Prequalification and short-listing of proposers prior to final evaluation of proposals.

(C) Final evaluation of proposals based on qualifications, best value, or both. If final evaluation is to be based on best value, the California Transportation Commission shall develop and adopt criteria for making that evaluation prior to evaluation of a proposal.

(D) Negotiations with proposers prior to award.

(E) Acceptance of unsolicited proposals, with issuance of requests for competing proposals.

(3) No agreement entered into pursuant to this section shall infringe on the authority of the department or a regional transportation agency to develop, maintain, repair, rehabilitate, operate, or lease any transportation project. Lease agreements may provide for reasonable compensation to the leaseholder for the

adverse effects on toll revenue or user fee revenue due to the development, operation, or lease of supplemental transportation projects with the exception of any of the following:

(A) Projects identified in regional transportation plans prepared pursuant to Section 65080 of the Government Code and submitted to the commission as of the date the commission selected the project to be developed through a lease agreement, as provided in this section, unless provided by the lease agreement approved by the department or regional transportation agency and the commission.

(B) Safety projects.

(C) Improvement projects that will result in incidental capacity increases.

(D) Additional high-occupancy vehicle lanes or the conversion of existing lanes to high-occupancy vehicle lanes.

(E) Projects located outside the boundaries of a public-private partnership project, to be defined by the lease agreement.

However, compensation to a leaseholder shall only be made after a demonstrable reduction in use of the facility resulting in reduced toll or user fee revenues, and may not exceed the reduction in those revenues.

(e) (1) Agreements entered into pursuant to this section shall authorize the contracting entity to impose tolls and user fees for use of a facility constructed by it, and shall require that over the term of the lease the toll revenues and user fees be applied to payment of the capital outlay costs for the project, the costs associated with operations, toll and user fee collection, administration of the facility, reimbursement to the department or other governmental entity for the costs of services to develop and maintain the project, police services, and a reasonable return on investment. The agreement shall require that, notwithstanding Sections 164, 188, and 188.1, any excess toll or user fee revenue either be applied to any indebtedness incurred by the contracting entity with respect to the project, improvements to the project, or be paid into the State Highway Account, or for all three purposes, except that any excess toll revenue under a lease agreement with a regional transportation agency may be paid to the regional transportation agency for use in improving public transportation in and near the project boundaries.

(2) Lease agreements shall establish specific toll or user fee rates. Any proposed increase in those rates during the term of the agreement shall first be approved by the department or regional transportation agency after at least one public hearing conducted at a location near the proposed or existing facility.

(3) The collection of tolls and user fees for the use of these facilities may be extended by the commission or regional transportation agency at the expiration of the lease agreement. However, those tolls or user fees may not be used for any purpose other than for the improvement, continued operation, or maintenance of the facility.

(4) Tolls and user fees may not be charged to noncommercial vehicles with three or fewer axles.

(f) The plans and specifications for each transportation project developed, maintained, repaired, rehabilitated, reconstructed, or operated pursuant to this section shall comply with the department's standards for state transportation projects. The lease agreement shall include performance standards, including, but not limited to, levels of service. The agreement shall require facilities on the state highway system to meet all requirements for noise mitigation, landscaping, pollution control, and safety that otherwise would apply if the department were designing, building, and operating the facility. If a facility is on the state highway system, the facility leased pursuant to this section shall, during the term of the lease, be deemed to be a part of the state highway system for purposes of identification, maintenance, enforcement of traffic laws, and for the purposes of Division 3.6 (commencing with Section 810) of Title 1 of the Government Code.

(g) Failure to comply with the lease agreement in any significant manner shall constitute a default under the agreement and the department or the regional transportation agency, as appropriate, shall have the option to initiate processes to revert the facility to the public agency.

(h) The assignment authorized by subdivision (c) of Section 130240 of the Public Utilities Code is consistent with this section.

(i) A lease to a private entity pursuant to this section is deemed to be public property for a public purpose and exempt from leasehold, real property, and ad valorem taxation, except for the use, if any, of that property for ancillary commercial purposes.

(j) Nothing in this section is intended to infringe on the authority to develop high-occupancy toll lanes pursuant to Section 149.4, 149.5, or 149.6.

(k) Nothing in this section shall be construed to allow the conversion of any existing nontoll or non-user-fee lanes into tolled or user fee lanes with the exception of a high-occupancy vehicle lane that may be operated as a high-occupancy toll lane for vehicles not otherwise meeting the requirements for use of that lane.

(*l*) The lease agreement shall require the lessee to provide any information or data requested by the California Transportation Commission or the Legislative Analyst. The commission, in cooperation with the Legislative Analyst, shall annually prepare a report on the progress of each project and ultimately on the operation of the resulting facility. The report shall include, but not be limited to, a review of the performance standards, a financial analysis, and any concerns or recommendations for changes in the future.

(m) No lease agreements may be entered into under this section on or after January 1, 2012.

~~SEC. 242.~~

SEC. 232. Section 149.7 of the Streets and Highways Code is amended to read:

149.7. (a) A regional transportation agency, as defined in Section 143, in cooperation with the department, may apply to the commission to develop and operate high-occupancy toll lanes, including the administration and operation of a value pricing program and exclusive or preferential lane facilities for public transit, consistent with the established standards, requirements, and limitations that apply to those facilities in Sections 149, 149.1, 149.3, 149.4, 149.5, and 149.6.

(b) The commission shall review each application for the development and operation of the facilities described in subdivision (a) according to eligibility criteria established by the commission. For each eligible application, the commission shall conduct at least one public hearing in northern California and one in southern California.

(c) Following public hearings, the commission shall submit an eligible application and any public comments made during the hearings to the Legislature for approval or rejection. Approval shall be achieved by the enactment of a statute. The number of

facilities approved under this section shall not exceed four, two in northern California and two in southern California.

(d) A regional transportation agency that develops or operates a facility, or facilities, described in subdivision (a) shall provide any information or data requested by the commission or the Legislative Analyst. The commission, in cooperation with the Legislative Analyst, shall annually prepare a report on the progress of the development and operation of a facility authorized under this section. The commission may submit this report as a section in its annual report to the Legislature required pursuant to Section 14535 of the Government Code.

(e) No applications may be approved under this section on or after January 1, 2012.

~~SEC. 243.~~

SEC. 233. Section 5160 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:

5160. (a) A state agency authorized under this article to offer specialized license plates shall prepare and submit an annual accounting report to the department by June 30. The report shall include an accounting of all revenues and expenditures associated with the specialized license plate program.

(b) If a state agency submits a report pursuant to subdivision (a) indicating that the agency violated the expenditure restriction set forth in Section 5159, the department shall immediately cease depositing fees for that agency's specialized license plate program in the Specialized License Plate Fund established under Section 5157 and, instead, shall deposit those fees that would have otherwise been deposited in that fund in a separate fund created by the Controller, which fund is subject to appropriation by the Legislature. The department shall immediately notify the agency of this course of action. The depositing of funds in the account established pursuant to this subdivision shall continue until the agency demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that the agency is in compliance or will comply with the requirements of Section 5159. If one year from the date that the agency receives the notice described in this subdivision, the agency is still unable to satisfactorily demonstrate to the department that it is in compliance or will comply with Section 5159, the department shall no longer issue or replace those specialized license plates associated with that agency. Those particular specialized license plates that

were issued prior to the discontinuation provided by this subdivision may continue to be used and attached to the vehicle for which they were issued and may be renewed, retained, or transferred pursuant to this code.

(c) Upon receiving the reports required under subdivision (a), notwithstanding Section 7550.5 of the Government Code, the department shall prepare and transmit an annual consolidated report to the Legislature containing the revenue and expenditure data.

~~SEC. 244.~~

SEC. 234. Section 11713.1 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:

11713.1. It is a violation of this code for the holder of a dealer's license issued under this article to do any of the following:

(a) Advertise a specific vehicle for sale without identifying the vehicle by its model, model-year, and either its license number or that portion of the vehicle identification number that distinguishes the vehicle from all other vehicles of the same make, model, and model-year. Model-year is not required to be advertised for current model-year vehicles. Year models are no longer current when ensuing year models are available for purchase at retail in California. Any advertisement that offers for sale a class of new vehicles in a dealer's inventory, consisting of five or more vehicles, that are all of the same make, model, and model-year is not required to include in the advertisement the vehicle identification numbers or license numbers of those vehicles.

(b) Advertise the total price of a vehicle without including all costs to the purchaser at time of sale, except taxes, vehicle registration fees, the California tire fee, as defined in Section 42885 of the Public Resources Code, emission testing fees not exceeding fifty dollars ($50), actual fees charged for certificates pursuant to Section 44060 of the Health and Safety Code, finance charges, and any dealer document preparation charge. The dealer document preparation charge shall not exceed fifty-five dollars ($55).

(c) (1) Exclude from an advertisement of a vehicle for sale that there will be added to the advertised total price at the time of sale, charges for sales tax, vehicle registration fees, the California tire fee, the fee charged by the state for the issuance of a certificate of compliance or noncompliance pursuant to a statute, finance charges, and a dealer document preparation charge.

(2) The obligations imposed by paragraph (1) are satisfied by adding to the advertisement a statement containing no abbreviations and that is worded in substantially the following form: "Plus government fees and taxes, any finance charges, any dealer document preparation charge, and any emission testing charge."

(3) For purposes of paragraph (1), "advertisement" means an advertisement in a newspaper, magazine, or direct mail publication that is two or more columns in width or one column in width and more than seven inches in length, or on a Web page of a dealer's Web site that displays the price of a vehicle offered for sale on the Internet, as that term is defined in paragraph (6) of subdivision (e) of Section 17538 of the Business and Professions Code.

(d) Represent the dealer document preparation charge or certificate of compliance or noncompliance fee, as a governmental fee.

(e) Fail to sell a vehicle to a person at the advertised total price, exclusive of taxes, vehicle registration fees, the California tire fee, the fee charged by the state for the issuance of a certificate of compliance or noncompliance pursuant to a statute, finance charges, mobilehome escrow fees, the amount of a city, county, or city and county imposed fee or tax for a mobilehome, and a dealer document preparation charge, which charges shall not exceed fifty-five dollars ($55) for the document preparation charge and not to exceed fifty dollars ($50) for emission testing plus the actual fees charged for certificates pursuant to Section 44060 of the Health and Safety Code, while the vehicle remains unsold, unless the advertisement states the advertised total price is good only for a specified time and the time has elapsed. Advertised vehicles shall be sold at or below the advertised total price, with statutorily permitted exclusions, regardless of whether the purchaser has knowledge of the advertised total price.

(f) (1) Advertise for sale, sell, or purchase for resale a new vehicle of a line-make for which the dealer does not hold a franchise.

(2) This subdivision does not apply to a transaction involving the following:

(A) A mobilehome.

(B) A recreational vehicle as defined in Section 18010 of the Health and Safety Code.

(C) A commercial coach, as defined in Section 18001.8 of the Health and Safety Code.

(D) An off-highway motor vehicle subject to identification as defined in Section 38012.

(E) A manufactured home.

(F) A new vehicle that will be substantially altered or modified by a converter prior to resale.

(G) A commercial vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 10,000 pounds.

(H) A vehicle purchased for export and exported outside the territorial limits of the United States without being registered with the department.

(g) Sell a park trailer, as specified in Section 18009.3 of the Health and Safety Code, without disclosing in writing to the purchaser that a park trailer is required to be moved by a transporter or a licensed manufacturer or dealer under a permit issued by the Department of Transportation or a local authority with respect to highways under their respective jurisdictions.

(h) Advertise free merchandise, gifts, or services provided by a dealer contingent on the purchase of a vehicle. “Free” includes merchandise or services offered for sale at a price less than the seller’s cost of the merchandise or services.

(i) (1) Advertise vehicles, and related goods or services, at a specified dealer price, with the intent not to supply reasonably expectable demand, unless the advertisement discloses the number of vehicles in stock at the advertised price. In addition, whether or not there are sufficient vehicles in stock to supply a reasonably expectable demand, when phrases such as “starting at,” “from,” “beginning as low as,” or words of similar import are used in reference to an advertised price, the advertisement shall disclose the number of vehicles available at that advertised price.

(2) For purposes of this subdivision, in a newspaper advertisement for a vehicle that is two model-years old or newer, the actual phrase that states the number of vehicles in stock at the advertised price shall be printed in a type size that is at least equal to one-quarter of the type size, and in the same style and color of type, used for the advertised price. However, in no case shall the phrase be printed in less than 8-point type size, and the phrase shall be disclosed immediately above, below, or beside the

advertised price without intervening words, pictures, marks, or symbols.

(3) The disclosure required by this subdivision is in addition to any other disclosure required by this code or any regulation regarding identifying vehicles advertised for sale.

(j) Use "rebate" or similar words, including, but not limited to, "cash back," in advertising the sale of a vehicle unless the rebate is expressed in a specific dollar amount and is in fact a rebate offered by the vehicle manufacturer or distributor directly to the retail purchaser of the vehicle or to the assignee of the retail purchaser.

(k) Require a person to pay a higher price for a vehicle and related goods or services for receiving advertised credit terms than the cash price the same person would have to pay to purchase the same vehicle and related goods or services. For the purpose of this subdivision, "cash price" has the meaning as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 2981 of the Civil Code.

(*l*) Advertise a guaranteed trade-in allowance.

(m) Misrepresent the authority of a salesperson, representative, or agent to negotiate the final terms of a transaction.

(n) (1) Use "invoice," "dealer's invoice," "wholesale price," or similar terms that refer to a dealer's cost for a vehicle in an advertisement for the sale of a vehicle or advertise that the selling price of a vehicle is above, below, or at either of the following:

(A) The manufacturer's or distributor's invoice price to a dealer.

(B) A dealer's cost.

(2) This subdivision does not apply to either of the following:

(A) A communication occurring during face-to-face negotiations for the purchase of a specific vehicle if the prospective purchaser initiates a discussion of the vehicle's invoice price or the dealer's cost for that vehicle.

(B) A communication between a dealer and a prospective commercial purchaser that is not disseminated to the general public. For purposes of this subparagraph, a "commercial purchaser" means a dealer, lessor, lessor-retailer, manufacturer, remanufacturer, distributor, financial institution, governmental entity, or person who purchases 10 or more vehicles during a year.

(o) Violate a law prohibiting bait and switch advertising, including, but not limited to, the guides against bait advertising set forth in Part 238 (commencing with Section 238) of Title 16

of the Code of Federal Regulations, as those regulations read on January 1, 1988.

(p) Make an untrue or misleading statement indicating that a vehicle is equipped with all the factory-installed optional equipment the manufacturer offers, including, but not limited to, a false statement that a vehicle is "fully factory equipped."

(q) Affix on a new vehicle a supplemental price sticker containing a price that represents the dealer's asking price that exceeds the manufacturer's suggested retail price unless all of the following occur:

(1) The supplemental sticker clearly and conspicuously discloses in the largest print appearing on the sticker, other than the print size used for the dealer's name, that the supplemental sticker price is the dealer's asking price, or words of similar import, and that it is not the manufacturer's suggested retail price.

(2) The supplemental sticker clearly and conspicuously discloses the manufacturer's suggested retail price.

(3) The supplemental sticker lists each item that is not included in the manufacturer's suggested retail price, and discloses the additional price of each item. If the supplemental sticker price is greater than the sum of the manufacturer's suggested retail price and the price of the items added by the dealer, the supplemental sticker price shall set forth that difference and describe it as "added mark-up."

(r) Advertise an underselling claim, including, but not limited to, "we have the lowest prices" or "we will beat any dealer's price," unless the dealer has conducted a recent survey showing that the dealer sells its vehicles at lower prices than another licensee in its trade area and maintains records to adequately substantiate the claims. The substantiating records shall be made available to the department upon request.

(s) (1) Advertise an incentive offered by the manufacturer or distributor if the dealer is required to contribute to the cost of the incentive as a condition of participating in the incentive program, unless the dealer discloses in a clear and conspicuous manner that dealer participation may affect consumer cost.

(2) For purposes of this subdivision, "incentive" means anything of value offered to induce people to purchase a vehicle, including, but not limited to, discounts, savings claims, rebates, below-market finance rates, and free merchandise or services.

(t) Display or offer for sale a used vehicle unless there is affixed to the vehicle the Federal Trade Commission's Buyer's Guide as required by Part 455 of Title 16 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

(u) Fail to disclose in writing to the franchisor of a new motor vehicle dealer the name of the purchaser, date of sale, and the vehicle identification number of each new motor vehicle sold of the line-make of that franchisor, or intentionally submit to that franchisor a false name for the purchaser or false date for the date of sale.

(v) Enter into a contract for the retail sale of a motor vehicle unless the contract clearly and conspicuously discloses whether the vehicle is being sold as a new vehicle or a used vehicle, as defined in this code.

(w) Use a simulated check, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 22433 of the Business and Professions Code, in an advertisement for the sale or lease of a vehicle.

(x) Fail to disclose, in a clear and conspicuous manner in at least 10-point boldface type on the face of a contract for the retail sale of a new motor vehicle that this transaction is, or is not, subject to a fee received by an autobroker from the selling new motor vehicle dealer, and the name of the autobroker, if applicable.

(y) As used in this section, "make" and "model" have the same meaning as is provided in Section 565.3 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

~~SEC. 245.~~

SEC. 235. Section 12804.9 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:

12804.9. (a) (1) The examination shall include all of the following:

(A) A test of the applicant's knowledge and understanding of the provisions of this code governing the operation of vehicles upon the highways.

(B) A test of the applicant's ability to read and understand simple English used in highway traffic and directional signs.

(C) A test of the applicant's understanding of traffic signs and signals, including the bikeway signs, markers, and traffic control devices established by the Department of Transportation.

(D) An actual demonstration of the applicant's ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in operating a motor vehicle by driving it under the supervision of an examining officer. The

applicant shall submit to an examination appropriate to the type of motor vehicle or combination of vehicles he or she desires a license to drive, except that the department may waive the driving test part of the examination for any applicant who submits a license issued by another state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico if the department verifies through any acknowledged national driver record data source that there are no stops, holds, or other impediments to its issuance. The examining officer may request to see evidence of financial responsibility for the vehicle prior to supervising the demonstration of the applicant's ability to operate the vehicle. The examining officer may refuse to examine an applicant who is unable to provide proof of financial responsibility for the vehicle, unless proof of financial responsibility is not required by this code.

(E) A test of the hearing and eyesight of the applicant, and of other matters that may be necessary to determine the applicant's mental and physical fitness to operate a motor vehicle upon the highways, and whether any grounds exist for refusal of a license under this code.

(2) The examination for a class A or class B driver's license under subdivision (b) shall also include a report of a medical examination of the applicant given not more than two years prior to the date of the application by a health care professional. As used in this paragraph, "health care professional" means a person who is licensed, certified, or registered in accordance with applicable state laws and regulations to practice medicine and perform physical examinations in the United States. Health care professionals are doctors of medicine, doctors of osteopathy, physician assistants, and registered advanced practice nurses, or doctors of chiropractic who are clinically competent to perform the medical examination presently required of motor carrier drivers by the federal Department of Transportation. The report shall be on a form approved by the department, the federal Department of Transportation, or the Federal Aviation Administration. In establishing the requirements, consideration may be given to the standards presently required of motor carrier drivers by the Federal Highway Administration.

(3) A physical defect of the applicant that, in the opinion of the department, is compensated for to ensure safe driving ability, shall not prevent the issuance of a license to the applicant.

(b) In accordance with the following classifications, an applicant for a driver's license shall be required to submit to an examination appropriate to the type of motor vehicle or combination of vehicles the applicant desires a license to drive:

(1) Class A includes the following:

(A) A combination of vehicles, if a vehicle being towed has a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 10,000 pounds.

(B) A vehicle towing more than one vehicle.

(C) A trailer bus.

(D) The operation of all vehicles under class B and class C.

(2) Class B includes the following:

(A) A single vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 26,000 pounds.

(B) A single vehicle with three or more axles, except any three-axle vehicle weighing less than 6,000 pounds.

(C) A bus except a trailer bus.

(D) A farm labor vehicle.

(E) A single vehicle with three or more axles or a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 26,000 pounds towing another vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or less.

(F) A house car over 40 feet in length, excluding safety devices and safety bumpers.

(G) The operation of all vehicles covered under class C.

(3) Class C includes the following:

(A) A two-axle vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,000 pounds or less, including when the vehicle is towing a trailer or semitrailer with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or less.

(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), a two-axle vehicle weighing 4,000 pounds or more unladen when towing a trailer coach not exceeding 9,000 pounds gross.

(C) A house car of 40 feet in length or less.

(D) A three-axle vehicle weighing 6,000 pounds gross or less.

(E) A house car of 40 feet in length or less or vehicle towing another vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of 10,000 pounds or less, including when a tow dolly is used. A person driving a vehicle may not tow another vehicle in violation of Section 21715.

(F) (i) A two-axle vehicle weighing 4,000 pounds or more unladen when towing either a trailer coach or a fifth-wheel travel trailer not exceeding 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight rating, when the towing of the trailer is not for compensation.

(ii) A two-axle vehicle weighing 4,000 pounds or more unladen when towing a fifth-wheel travel trailer exceeding 10,000 pounds, but not exceeding 15,000 pounds, gross vehicle weight rating, when the towing of the trailer is not for compensation, and if the person has passed a specialized written examination provided by the department relating to the knowledge of this code and other safety aspects governing the towing of recreational vehicles upon the highway.

The authority to operate combinations of vehicles under this subparagraph may be granted by endorsement on a class C license upon completion of that written examination.

(G) A vehicle or combination of vehicles with a gross combination weight rating or a gross vehicle weight rating, as those terms are defined in subdivisions (j) and (k), respectively, of Section 15210, of 26,000 pounds or less, if all of the following conditions are met:

(i) Is operated by a farmer, an employee of a farmer, or an instructor credentialed in agriculture as part of an instructional program in agriculture at the high school, community college, or university level.

(ii) Is used exclusively in the conduct of agricultural operations.

(iii) Is not used in the capacity of a for-hire carrier or for compensation.

(H) A motorized scooter.

(I) Class C does not include a two-wheel motorcycle or a two-wheel motor-driven cycle.

(4) Class M1. A two-wheel motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle. Authority to operate a vehicle included in a class M1 license may be granted by endorsement on a class A, B, or C license upon completion of an appropriate examination.

(5) (A) Class M2 includes the following:

(i) A motorized bicycle or moped, or a bicycle with an attached motor, except a motorized bicycle described in subdivision (b) of Section 406.

(ii) A motorized scooter.

(B) Authority to operate vehicles included in class M2 may be granted by endorsement on a class A, B, or C license upon completion of an appropriate examination, except that no endorsement is required for a motorized scooter. Persons holding a class M1 license or endorsement may operate vehicles included in class M2 without further examination.

(c) A driver's license or driver certificate is not valid for operating a commercial motor vehicle, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 15210, any other motor vehicle defined in paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (b), or any other vehicle requiring a driver to hold any driver certificate or any driver's license endorsement under Section 15275, unless a medical certificate approved by the department, the federal Department of Transportation, or the Federal Aviation Administration, that has been issued within two years of the date of the operation of that vehicle, is within the licensee's immediate possession, and a copy of the medical examination report from which the certificate was issued is on file with the department. Otherwise, the license is valid only for operating class C vehicles that are not commercial vehicles, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 15210, and for operating class M1 or M2 vehicles, if so endorsed, that are not commercial vehicles, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 15210.

(d) A license or driver certificate issued prior to the enactment of Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 15200) is valid to operate the class or type of vehicles specified under the law in existence prior to that enactment until the license or certificate expires or is otherwise suspended, revoked, or canceled.

(e) The department may accept a certificate of driving skill that is issued by an employer, authorized by the department to issue a certificate under Section 15250, of the applicant, in lieu of a driving test, on class A or B applications, if the applicant has first qualified for a class C license and has met the other examination requirements for the license for which he or she is applying. The certificate may be submitted as evidence of the applicant's skill in the operation of the types of equipment covered by the license for which he or she is applying.

(f) The department may accept a certificate of competence in lieu of a driving test on class M1 or M2 applications, when the certificate is issued by a law enforcement agency for its officers who operate class M1 or M2 vehicles in their duties, if the applicant

has met the other examination requirements for the license for which he or she is applying.

(g) The department may accept a certificate of satisfactory completion of a novice motorcyclist training program approved by the commissioner pursuant to Section 2932 in lieu of a driving test on class M1 or M2 applications, if the applicant has met the other examination requirements for the license for which he or she is applying. The department shall review and approve the written and driving test used by a program to determine whether the program may issue a certificate of completion.

(h) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), a person holding a valid California driver's license of any class may operate a short-term rental motorized bicycle without taking any special examination for the operation of a motorized bicycle, and without having a class M2 endorsement on that license. As used in this subdivision, "short-term" means 48 hours or less.

(i) A person under the age of 21 years may not be issued a class M1 or M2 license or endorsement unless he or she provides evidence satisfactory to the department of completion of a motorcycle safety training program that is operated pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 2930) of Chapter 5 of Division 2.

(j) A driver of a vanpool vehicle may operate with a class C license but shall possess evidence of a medical examination required for a class B license when operating vanpool vehicles. In order to be eligible to drive the vanpool vehicle, the driver shall keep in the vanpool vehicle a statement, signed under penalty of perjury, that he or she has not been convicted of reckless driving, drunk driving, or a hit-and-run offense in the last five years.

(k) A class M license issued between January 1, 1989, and December 31, 1992, shall permit the holder to operate any motorcycle, motor-driven cycle, or motorized bicycle until the expiration of the license.

~~SEC. 246.~~

SEC. 236. Section 13352 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:

13352. (a) The department shall immediately suspend or revoke the privilege of a person to operate a motor vehicle upon the receipt of an abstract of the record of a court showing that the person has been convicted of a violation of Section 23152 or 23153

or subdivision (a) of Section 23109, or upon the receipt of a report of a judge of the juvenile court, a juvenile traffic hearing officer, or a referee of a juvenile court showing that the person has been found to have committed a violation of Section 23152 or 23153 or subdivision (a) of Section 23109. If an offense specified in this section occurs in a vehicle defined in Section 15210, the suspension or revocation specified below shall apply to the noncommercial driving privilege. The commercial driving privilege shall be disqualified as specified in Sections 15300 to 15302, inclusive. For the purposes of this section, suspension or revocation shall be as follows:

(1) Except as required under Section 13352.1 or 13352.4, upon a conviction or finding of a violation of Section 23152 punishable under Section 23536, the privilege shall be suspended for a period of six months.

The privilege may not be reinstated until the person gives proof of financial responsibility and gives proof satisfactory to the department of successful completion of a driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code described in subdivision (b) of Section 23538 of this code. If the court, as authorized under paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 23646, elects to order a person to enroll, participate and complete either program described in subdivision (b) of Section 23542, the department shall require that program in lieu of the program described in subdivision (b) of Section 23538. For the purposes of this paragraph, enrollment, participation, and completion of an approved program shall be subsequent to the date of the current violation. Credit may not be given to any program activities completed prior to the date of the current violation.

(2) Upon a conviction or finding of a violation of Section 23153 punishable under Section 23554, the privilege shall be suspended for a period of one year. The privilege may not be reinstated until the person gives proof of financial responsibility and gives proof satisfactory to the department of successful completion of a driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code as described in subdivision (b) of Section 23556 of this code. If the court, as authorized under paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 23646, elects to order a person to enroll, participate, and complete either program

described in subdivision (b) of Section 23542, the department shall require that program in lieu of the program described in Section 23556. For the purposes of this paragraph, enrollment, participation, and completion of an approved program shall be subsequent to the date of the current violation. Credit may not be given to any program activities completed prior to the date of the current violation.

(3) Except as provided in Section 13352.5, upon a conviction or finding of a violation of Section 23152 punishable under Section 23540, the privilege shall be suspended for two years. The privilege may not be reinstated until the person gives proof of financial responsibility and gives proof satisfactory to the department of successful completion of a driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code as described in subdivision (b) of Section 23542 of this code. For the purposes of this paragraph, enrollment, participation, and completion of an approved program shall be subsequent to the date of the current violation. Credit shall not be given to any program activities completed prior to the date of the current violation. The department shall advise the person that after completion of 12 months of the suspension period, which may include credit for a suspension period served under subdivision (c) of Section 13353.3, the person may apply to the department for a restricted driver's license, subject to the following conditions:

(A) The person has satisfactorily provided, subsequent to the violation date of the current underlying conviction, either of the following:

(i) Proof of enrollment in an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code.

(ii) Proof of enrollment in a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment.

(B) The person agrees, as a condition of the restriction, to continue satisfactory participation in the program described in subparagraph (A).

(C) The person submits the "Verification of Installation" form described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of Section 13386.

(D) The person agrees to maintain the ignition interlock device as required under subdivision (g) of Section 23575.

(E) The person provides proof of financial responsibility, as defined in Section 16430.

(F) The person pays all administrative fees or reissue fees and any restriction fee required by the department.

(G) The restriction shall remain in effect for the period required in subdivision (f) of Section 23575.

(4) Except as provided in this paragraph, upon a conviction or finding of a violation of Section 23153 punishable under Section 23560, the privilege shall be revoked for a period of three years. The privilege may not be reinstated until the person gives proof of financial responsibility, and the person gives proof satisfactory to the department of successful completion of a driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, as described in subdivision (b) of Section 23562 of this code. For the purposes of this paragraph, enrollment, participation, and completion of an approved program shall be subsequent to the date of the current violation. Credit shall not be given to any program activities completed prior to the date of the current violation. The department shall advise the person that after the completion of 12 months of the revocation period, which may include credit for a suspension period served under subdivision (c) of Section 13353.3, the person may apply to the department for a restricted driver's license, subject to the following conditions:

(A) The person has satisfactorily completed, subsequent to the violation date of the current underlying conviction, either of the following:

(i) The initial 12 months of an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code.

(ii) The initial 12 months of a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment, and the person agrees, as a condition of the restriction, to continue satisfactory participation in that 30-month program.

(B) The person submits the "Verification of Installation" form described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of Section 13386.

(C) The person agrees to maintain the ignition interlock device as required under subdivision (g) of Section 23575.

(D) The person provides proof of financial responsibility, as defined in Section 16430.

(E) The person pays all applicable reinstatement or reissue fees and any restriction fee required by the department.

(F) The restriction shall remain in effect for the period required in subdivision (f) of Section 23575.

(5) Except as provided in this paragraph, upon a conviction or finding of a violation of Section 23152 punishable under Section 23546, the privilege shall be revoked for a period of three years. The privilege may not be reinstated until the person files proof of financial responsibility and gives proof satisfactory to the department of successful completion of one of the following programs: an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, as described in subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 23548 of this code, or, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment, a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, or a program specified in Section 8001 of the Penal Code. For the purposes of this paragraph, enrollment, participation, and completion of an approved program shall be subsequent to the date of the current violation. Credit shall not be given to any program activities completed prior to the date of the current violation. The department shall advise the person that after completion of 12 months of the revocation period, which may include credit for a suspension period served under subdivision (c) of Section 13353.3, the person may apply to the department for a restricted driver's license, subject to the following conditions:

(A) The person has satisfactorily completed, subsequent to the violation date of the current underlying conviction, either of the following:

(i) The initial 12 months of an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code.

(ii) The initial 12 months of a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment, and the person agrees, as

a condition of the restriction, to continue satisfactory participation in the 30-month driving-under-the-influence program.

(B) The person submits the "Verification of Installation" form described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of Section 13386.

(C) The person agrees to maintain the ignition interlock device as required under subdivision (g) of Section 23575.

(D) The person provides proof of financial responsibility, as defined in Section 16430.

(E) An individual convicted of a violation of Section 23152 punishable under Section 23546 may also, at any time after sentencing, petition the court for referral to an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, or, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment, a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code. Unless good cause is shown, the court shall order the referral.

(F) The person pays all applicable reinstatement or reissue fees and any restriction fee required by the department.

(G) The restriction shall remain in effect for the period required in subdivision (f) of Section 23575.

(6) Except as provided in this paragraph, upon a conviction or finding of a violation of Section 23153 punishable under Section 23550.5 or 23566, the privilege shall be revoked for a period of five years. The privilege may not be reinstated until the person gives proof of financial responsibility and proof satisfactory to the department of successful completion of one of the following programs: an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, as described in subdivision (b) of Section 23568 or, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment, a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, or a program specified in Section 8001 of the Penal Code. For the purposes of this paragraph, enrollment, participation, and completion of an approved program shall be subsequent to the date of the current violation. Credit shall not be given to any program activities completed prior to the date of the current violation. The department shall advise the person that after the completion of 12 months of the revocation period, which may include credit for a suspension period served under

subdivision (c) of Section 13353.3 of this code, the person may apply to the department for a restricted driver's license, subject to the following conditions:

(A) The person has satisfactorily completed, subsequent to the violation date of the current underlying conviction, either of the following:

(i) The initial 12 months of a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment, and the person agrees, as a condition of the restriction, to continue satisfactory participation in the 30-month driving-under-the-influence program.

(ii) The initial 12 months of an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, if a 30-month program is unavailable in the person's county of residence or employment.

(B) The person submits the "Verification of Installation" form described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of Section 13386.

(C) The person agrees to maintain the ignition interlock device as required under subdivision (g) of Section 23575.

(D) The person provides proof of financial responsibility, as defined in Section 16430.

(E) An individual convicted of a violation of Section 23153 punishable under Section 23566 may also, at any time after sentencing, petition the court for referral to an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program or, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment, a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code. Unless good cause is shown, the court shall order the referral.

(F) The person pays all applicable reinstatement or reissue fees and any restriction fee required by the department.

(G) The restriction shall remain in effect for the period required in subdivision (f) of Section 23575.

(7) Except as provided in this paragraph, upon a conviction or finding of a violation of Section 23152 punishable under Section 23550 or 23550.5, or Section 23153 punishable under Section 23550.5, the privilege shall be revoked for a period of four years. The privilege may not be reinstated until the person gives proof of financial responsibility and proof satisfactory to the department

of successful completion of one of the following programs: an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, or, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment, a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, or a program specified in Section 8001 of the Penal Code. For the purposes of this paragraph, enrollment, participation, and completion of an approved program shall be subsequent to the date of the current violation. Credit shall not be given to any program activities completed prior to the date of the current violation. The department shall advise the person that after the completion of 12 months of the revocation period, which may include credit for a suspension period served under subdivision (c) of Section 13353.3 of this code, the person may apply to the department for a restricted driver's license, subject to the following conditions:

(A) The person has satisfactorily completed, subsequent to the violation date of the current underlying conviction, either of the following:

(i) The initial 12 months of an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code.

(ii) The initial 12 months of a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment, and the person agrees, as a condition of the restriction, to continue satisfactory participation in the 30-month driving-under-the-influence program.

(B) The person submits the "Verification of Installation" form described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of Section 13386.

(C) The person agrees to maintain the ignition interlock device as required under subdivision (g) of Section 23575.

(D) The person provides proof of financial responsibility, as defined in Section 16430.

(E) An individual convicted of a violation of Section 23152 punishable under Section 23550 may also, at any time after sentencing, petition the court for referral to an 18-month driving-under-the-influence program or, if available in the county of the person's residence or employment, a 30-month driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section

11836 of the Health and Safety Code. Unless good cause is shown, the court shall order the referral.

(F) The person pays all applicable reinstatement or reissue fees and any restriction fee required by the department.

(G) The restriction shall remain in effect for the period required in subdivision (f) of Section 23575.

(8) Upon a conviction or finding of a violation of subdivision (a) of Section 23109 that is punishable under subdivision (e) of that section, the privilege shall be suspended for a period of 90 days to six months, if ordered by the court. The privilege may not be reinstated until the person gives proof of financial responsibility, as defined in Section 16430.

(9) Upon a conviction or finding of a violation of subdivision (a) of Section 23109 that is punishable under subdivision (f) of that section, the privilege shall be suspended for a period of six months, if ordered by the court. The privilege may not be reinstated until the person gives proof of financial responsibility, as defined in Section 16430.

(b) For the purpose of paragraphs (2) to (9), inclusive, of subdivision (a), the finding of the juvenile court judge, the juvenile hearing officer, or the referee of a juvenile court of a commission of a violation of Section 23152 or 23153 or subdivision (a) of Section 23109, as specified in subdivision (a) of this section, is a conviction.

(c) A judge of a juvenile court, juvenile hearing officer, or referee of a juvenile court shall immediately report the findings specified in subdivision (a) to the department.

(d) A conviction of an offense in a state, territory, or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or Canada that, if committed in this state, would be a violation of Section 23152, is a conviction of Section 23152 for the purposes of this section, and a conviction of an offense that, if committed in this state, would be a violation of Section 23153, is a conviction of Section 23153 for the purposes of this section. The department shall suspend or revoke the privilege to operate a motor vehicle pursuant to this section upon receiving notice of that conviction.

(e) For the purposes of the restriction conditions specified in paragraphs (3) to (7), inclusive, of subdivision (a), the department shall terminate the restriction imposed pursuant to this section and

shall suspend or revoke the person's driving privilege upon receipt of notification from the driving-under-the-influence program that the person has failed to comply with the program requirements. The person's driving privilege shall remain suspended or revoked for the remaining period of the original suspension or revocation imposed under this section and until all reinstatement requirements described in this section are met.

(f) For the purposes of this section, completion of a program is the following:

(1) Satisfactory completion of all program requirements approved pursuant to program licensure, as evidenced by a certificate of completion issued, under penalty of perjury, by the licensed program.

(2) Certification, under penalty of perjury, by the director of a program specified in Section 8001 of the Penal Code, that the person has completed a program specified in Section 8001 of the Penal Code.

(g) The holder of a commercial driver's license who was operating a commercial motor vehicle, as defined in Section 15210, at the time of a violation that resulted in a suspension or revocation of the person's noncommercial driving privilege under this section is not eligible for the restricted driver's license authorized under paragraphs (3) to (7), inclusive, of subdivision (a).

~~SEC. 247.~~

SEC. 237. Section 13352.1 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:

13352.1. (a) Pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 13352 and except as required under Section 13352.4, upon a conviction or finding of a violation of Section 23152 punishable under Section 23536, if the court refers the person to a program pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 23538, the privilege shall be suspended for 10 months.

(b) The privilege may not be reinstated until the person gives proof of financial responsibility and gives proof satisfactory to the department of successful completion of a driving-under-the-influence program licensed pursuant to Section 11836 of the Health and Safety Code described in subdivision (b) of Section 23538 of this code. For the purposes of this subdivision, enrollment, participation, and completion of an approved program shall be subsequent to the date of the current violation. Credit may

not be given to any program activities completed prior to the date of the current violation.

~~SEC. 248.~~

SEC. 238. Section 13353.2 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:

13353.2. (a) The department shall immediately suspend the privilege of a person to operate a motor vehicle for any one of the following reasons:

(1) The person was driving a motor vehicle when the person had 0.08 percent or more, by weight, of alcohol in his or her blood.

(2) The person was under 21 years of age and had a blood-alcohol concentration of 0.01 percent or greater, as measured by a preliminary alcohol screening test, or other chemical test.

(3) The person was driving a vehicle that requires a commercial driver's license when the person had a 0.04 percent or more, by weight, of alcohol in his or her blood.

(b) The notice of the order of suspension under this section shall be served on the person by a peace officer pursuant to Section 13382 or 13388. The notice of the order of suspension shall be on a form provided by the department. If the notice of the order of suspension has not been served upon the person by the peace officer pursuant to Section 13382 or 13388, upon the receipt of the report of a peace officer submitted pursuant to Section 13380, the department shall mail written notice of the order of the suspension to the person at the last known address shown on the department's records and, if the address of the person provided by the peace officer's report differs from the address of record, to that address.

(c) The notice of the order of suspension shall clearly specify the reason and statutory grounds for the suspension, the effective date of the suspension, the right of the person to request an administrative hearing, the procedure for requesting an administrative hearing, and the date by which a request for an administrative hearing shall be made in order to receive a determination prior to the effective date of the suspension.

(d) The department shall make a determination of the facts in subdivision (a) on the basis of the report of a peace officer submitted pursuant to Section 13380. The determination of the facts, after administrative review pursuant to Section 13557, by the department is final, unless an administrative hearing is held pursuant to Section 13558 and any judicial review of the

administrative determination after the hearing pursuant to Section 13559 is final.

(e) The determination of the facts in subdivision (a) is a civil matter that is independent of the determination of the person's guilt or innocence, shall have no collateral estoppel effect on a subsequent criminal prosecution, and shall not preclude the litigation of the same or similar facts in the criminal proceeding. If a person is acquitted of criminal charges relating to a determination of facts under subdivision (a), or if the person's driver's license was suspended pursuant to Section 13388 and the department finds no basis for a suspension pursuant to that section, the department shall immediately reinstate the person's privilege to operate a motor vehicle if the department has suspended it administratively pursuant to subdivision (a), and the department shall return or reissue for the remaining term any driver's license that has been taken from the person pursuant to Section 13382 or otherwise. Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 13558, if criminal charges under Section 23140, 23152, or 23153 are not filed by the district attorney because of a lack of evidence, or if those charges are filed but are subsequently dismissed by the court because of an insufficiency of evidence, the person has a renewed right to request an administrative hearing before the department. The request for a hearing shall be made within one year from the date of arrest.

(f) The department shall furnish a form that requires a detailed explanation specifying which evidence was defective or lacking and detailing why that evidence was defective or lacking. The form shall be made available to the person to provide to the district attorney. The department shall hold an administrative hearing, and the hearing officer shall consider the reasons for the failure to prosecute given by the district attorney on the form provided by the department. If applicable, the hearing officer shall consider the reasons stated on the record by a judge who dismisses the charges. No fee shall be imposed pursuant to Section 14905 for the return or reissuing of a driver's license pursuant to this subdivision. The disposition of a suspension action under this section does not affect any action to suspend or revoke the person's privilege to operate a motor vehicle under any other provision of this code, including, but not limited to, Section 13352 or 13353, or Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 13800).

~~SEC. 249.~~

SEC. 239. Section 13385 of the Water Code, as amended by Section 3 of Chapter 404 of the Statutes of 2006, is amended to read:

13385. (a) Any person who violates any of the following shall be liable civilly in accordance with this section:

(1) Section 13375 or 13376.

(2) Any waste discharge requirements or dredged or fill material permit issued pursuant to this chapter or any water quality certification issued pursuant to Section 13160.

(3) Any requirements established pursuant to Section 13383.

(4) Any order or prohibition issued pursuant to Section 13243 or Article 1 (commencing with Section 13300) of Chapter 5, if the activity subject to the order or prohibition is subject to regulation under this chapter.

(5) Any requirements of Section 301, 302, 306, 307, 308, 318, 401, or 405 of the Clean Water Act, as amended.

(6) Any requirement imposed in a pretreatment program approved pursuant to waste discharge requirements issued under Section 13377 or approved pursuant to a permit issued by the administrator.

(b) Civil liability may be imposed by the superior court in an amount not to exceed the sum of both of the following:

(1) Twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) for each day in which the violation occurs.

(2) Where there is a discharge, any portion of which is not susceptible to cleanup or is not cleaned up, and the volume discharged but not cleaned up exceeds 1,000 gallons, an additional liability not to exceed twenty-five dollars ($25) multiplied by the number of gallons by which the volume discharged but not cleaned up exceeds 1,000 gallons.

The Attorney General, upon request of a regional board or the state board, shall petition the superior court to impose the liability.

(c) Civil liability may be imposed administratively by the state board or a regional board pursuant to Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 13323) of Chapter 5 in an amount not to exceed the sum of both of the following:

(1) Ten thousand dollars ($10,000) for each day in which the violation occurs.

(2) Where there is a discharge, any portion of which is not susceptible to cleanup or is not cleaned up, and the volume discharged but not cleaned up exceeds 1,000 gallons, an additional liability not to exceed ten dollars ($10) multiplied by the number of gallons by which the volume discharged but not cleaned up exceeds 1,000 gallons.

(d) For purposes of subdivisions (b) and (c), "discharge" includes any discharge to navigable waters of the United States, any introduction of pollutants into a publicly owned treatment works, or any use or disposal of sewage sludge.

(e) In determining the amount of any liability imposed under this section, the regional board, the state board, or the superior court, as the case may be, shall take into account the nature, circumstances, extent, and gravity of the violation or violations, whether the discharge is susceptible to cleanup or abatement, the degree of toxicity of the discharge, and, with respect to the violator, the ability to pay, the effect on its ability to continue its business, any voluntary cleanup efforts undertaken, any prior history of violations, the degree of culpability, economic benefit or savings, if any, resulting from the violation, and other matters that justice may require. At a minimum, liability shall be assessed at a level that recovers the economic benefits, if any, derived from the acts that constitute the violation.

(f) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), for the purposes of this section, a single operational upset that leads to simultaneous violations of more than one pollutant parameter shall be treated as a single violation.

(2) (A) For the purposes of subdivisions (h) and (i), a single operational upset in a wastewater treatment unit that treats wastewater using a biological treatment process shall be treated as a single violation, even if the operational upset results in violations of more than one effluent limitation and the violations continue for a period of more than one day, if all of the following apply:

(i) The discharger demonstrates all of the following:

(I) The upset was not caused by wastewater treatment operator error and was not due to discharger negligence.

(II) But for the operational upset of the biological treatment process, the violations would not have occurred nor would they have continued for more than one day.

(III) The discharger carried out all reasonable and immediately feasible actions to reduce noncompliance with the applicable effluent limitations.

(ii) The discharger is implementing an approved pretreatment program, if so required by federal or state law.

(B) Subparagraph (A) only applies to violations that occur during a period for which the regional board has determined that violations are unavoidable, but in no case may that period exceed 30 days.

(g) Remedies under this section are in addition to, and do not supersede or limit, any other remedies, civil or criminal, except that no liability shall be recoverable under Section 13261, 13265, 13268, or 13350 for violations for which liability is recovered under this section.

(h) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this division, and except as provided in subdivisions (j), (k), and (*l*), a mandatory minimum penalty of three thousand dollars ($3,000) shall be assessed for each serious violation.

(2) For the purposes of this section, a "serious violation" means any waste discharge that violates the effluent limitations contained in the applicable waste discharge requirements for a Group II pollutant, as specified in Appendix A to Section 123.45 of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, by 20 percent or more or for a Group I pollutant, as specified in Appendix A to Section 123.45 of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, by 40 percent or more.

(i) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this division, and except as provided in subdivisions (j), (k), and (*l*), a mandatory minimum penalty of three thousand dollars ($3,000) shall be assessed for each violation whenever the person does any of the following four or more times in any period of six consecutive months, except that the requirement to assess the mandatory minimum penalty shall not be applicable to the first three violations:

(A) Violates a waste discharge requirement effluent limitation.

(B) Fails to file a report pursuant to Section 13260.

(C) Files an incomplete report pursuant to Section 13260.

(D) Violates a toxicity effluent limitation contained in the applicable waste discharge requirements where the waste discharge

requirements do not contain pollutant-specific effluent limitations for toxic pollutants.

(2) For the purposes of this section, a "period of six consecutive months" means the period commencing on the date that one of the violations described in this subdivision occurs and ending 180 days after that date.

(j) Subdivisions (h) and (i) do not apply to any of the following:

(1) A violation caused by one or any combination of the following:

(A) An act of war.

(B) An unanticipated, grave natural disaster or other natural phenomenon of an exceptional, inevitable, and irresistible character, the effects of which could not have been prevented or avoided by the exercise of due care or foresight.

(C) An intentional act of a third party, the effects of which could not have been prevented or avoided by the exercise of due care or foresight.

(D) (i) The operation of a new or reconstructed wastewater treatment unit during a defined period of adjusting or testing, not to exceed 90 days for a wastewater treatment unit that relies on a biological treatment process and not to exceed 30 days for any other wastewater treatment unit, if all of the following requirements are met:

(I) The discharger has submitted to the regional board, at least 30 days in advance of the operation, an operations plan that describes the actions the discharger will take during the period of adjusting and testing, including steps to prevent violations and identifies the shortest reasonable time required for the period of adjusting and testing, not to exceed 90 days for a wastewater treatment unit that relies on a biological treatment process and not to exceed 30 days for any other wastewater treatment unit.

(II) The regional board has not objected in writing to the operations plan.

(III) The discharger demonstrates that the violations resulted from the operation of the new or reconstructed wastewater treatment unit and that the violations could not have reasonably been avoided.

(IV) The discharger demonstrates compliance with the operations plan.

(V) In the case of a reconstructed wastewater treatment unit, the unit relies on a biological treatment process that is required to be out of operation for at least 14 days in order to perform the reconstruction, or the unit is required to be out of operation for at least 14 days and, at the time of the reconstruction, the cost of reconstructing the unit exceeds 50 percent of the cost of replacing the wastewater treatment unit.

(ii) For the purposes of this section, "wastewater treatment unit" means a component of a wastewater treatment plant that performs a designated treatment function.

(2) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B), a violation of an effluent limitation where the waste discharge is in compliance with either a cease and desist order issued pursuant to Section 13301 or a time schedule order issued pursuant to Section 13300, if all of the following requirements are met:

(i) The cease and desist order or time schedule order is issued after January 1, 1995, but not later than July 1, 2000, specifies the actions that the discharger is required to take in order to correct the violations that would otherwise be subject to subdivisions (h) and (i), and the date by which compliance is required to be achieved and, if the final date by which compliance is required to be achieved is later than one year from the effective date of the cease and desist order or time schedule order, specifies the interim requirements by which progress towards compliance will be measured and the date by which the discharger will be in compliance with each interim requirement.

(ii) The discharger has prepared and is implementing in a timely and proper manner, or is required by the regional board to prepare and implement, a pollution prevention plan that meets the requirements of Section 13263.3.

(iii) The discharger demonstrates that it has carried out all reasonable and immediately feasible actions to reduce noncompliance with the waste discharge requirements applicable to the waste discharge and the executive officer of the regional board concurs with the demonstration.

(B) Subdivisions (h) and (i) shall become applicable to a waste discharge on the date the waste discharge requirements applicable to the waste discharge are revised and reissued pursuant to Section 13380, unless the regional board does all of the following on or before that date:

(i) Modifies the requirements of the cease and desist order or time schedule order as may be necessary to make it fully consistent with the reissued waste discharge requirements.

(ii) Establishes in the modified cease and desist order or time schedule order a date by which full compliance with the reissued waste discharge requirements shall be achieved. For the purposes of this subdivision, the regional board may not establish this date later than five years from the date the waste discharge requirements were required to be reviewed pursuant to Section 13380. If the reissued waste discharge requirements do not add new effluent limitations or do not include effluent limitations that are more stringent than those in the original waste discharge requirements, the date shall be the same as the final date for compliance in the original cease and desist order or time schedule order or five years from the date that the waste discharge requirements were required to be reviewed pursuant to Section 13380, whichever is earlier.

(iii) Determines that the pollution prevention plan required by clause (ii) of subparagraph (A) is in compliance with the requirements of Section 13263.3 and that the discharger is implementing the pollution prevention plan in a timely and proper manner.

(3) A violation of an effluent limitation where the waste discharge is in compliance with either a cease and desist order issued pursuant to Section 13301 or a time schedule order issued pursuant to Section 13300 or 13308, if all of the following requirements are met:

(A) The cease and desist order or time schedule order is issued on or after July 1, 2000, and specifies the actions that the discharger is required to take in order to correct the violations that would otherwise be subject to subdivisions (h) and (i).

(B) The regional board finds that, for one of the following reasons, the discharger is not able to consistently comply with one or more of the effluent limitations established in the waste discharge requirements applicable to the waste discharge:

(i) The effluent limitation is a new, more stringent, or modified regulatory requirement that has become applicable to the waste discharge after the effective date of the waste discharge requirements and after July 1, 2000, new or modified control measures are necessary in order to comply with the effluent

limitation, and the new or modified control measures cannot be designed, installed, and put into operation within 30 calendar days.

(ii) New methods for detecting or measuring a pollutant in the waste discharge demonstrate that new or modified control measures are necessary in order to comply with the effluent limitation and the new or modified control measures cannot be designed, installed, and put into operation within 30 calendar days.

(iii) Unanticipated changes in the quality of the municipal or industrial water supply available to the discharger are the cause of unavoidable changes in the composition of the waste discharge, the changes in the composition of the waste discharge are the cause of the inability to comply with the effluent limitation, no alternative water supply is reasonably available to the discharger, and new or modified measures to control the composition of the waste discharge cannot be designed, installed, and put into operation within 30 calendar days.

(iv) The discharger is a publicly owned treatment works located in Orange County that is unable to meet effluent limitations for biological oxygen demand, suspended solids, or both, because the publicly owned treatment works meets all of the following criteria:

(I) Was previously operating under modified secondary treatment requirements pursuant to Section 301(h) of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Sec. 1311(h)).

(II) Did vote on July 17, 2002, not to apply for a renewal of the modified secondary treatment requirements.

(III) Is in the process of upgrading its treatment facilities to meet the secondary treatment standards required by Section 301(b)(1)(B) of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Sec. 1311(b)(1)(B)).

(C) The regional board establishes a time schedule for bringing the waste discharge into compliance with the effluent limitation that is as short as possible, taking into account the technological, operational, and economic factors that affect the design, development, and implementation of the control measures that are necessary to comply with the effluent limitation. For the purposes of this subdivision, the time schedule may not exceed five years in length, except that the time schedule may not exceed 10 years in length for the upgrade described in subclause (III) of clause (iv) of subparagraph (B). If the time schedule exceeds one year from the effective date of the order, the schedule shall include interim

requirements and the dates for their achievement. The interim requirements shall include both of the following:

(i) Effluent limitations for the pollutant or pollutants of concern.

(ii) Actions and milestones leading to compliance with the effluent limitation.

(D) The discharger has prepared and is implementing in a timely and proper manner, or is required by the regional board to prepare and implement, a pollution prevention plan pursuant to Section 13263.3.

(k) (1) In lieu of assessing all or a portion of the mandatory minimum penalties pursuant to subdivisions (h) and (i) against a publicly owned treatment works serving a small community, the state board or the regional board may elect to require the publicly owned treatment works to spend an equivalent amount towards the completion of a compliance project proposed by the publicly owned treatment works, if the state board or the regional board finds all of the following:

(A) The compliance project is designed to correct the violations within five years.

(B) The compliance project is in accordance with the enforcement policy of the state board, excluding any provision in the policy that is inconsistent with this section.

(C) The publicly owned treatment works has prepared a financing plan to complete the compliance project.

(2) For the purposes of this subdivision, "a publicly owned treatment works serving a small community" means a publicly owned treatment works serving a population of 10,000 persons or fewer or a rural county, with a financial hardship as determined by the state board after considering such factors as median income of the residents, rate of unemployment, or low population density in the service area of the publicly owned treatment works.

(*l*) (1) In lieu of assessing penalties pursuant to subdivision (h) or (i), the state board or the regional board, with the concurrence of the discharger, may direct a portion of the penalty amount to be expended on a supplemental environmental project in accordance with the enforcement policy of the state board. If the penalty amount exceeds fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000), the portion of the penalty amount that may be directed to be expended on a supplemental environmental project may not exceed fifteen

thousand dollars ($15,000) plus 50 percent of the penalty amount that exceeds fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000).

(2) For the purposes of this section, a "supplemental environmental project" means an environmentally beneficial project that a person agrees to undertake, with the approval of the regional board, that would not be undertaken in the absence of an enforcement action under this section.

(3) This subdivision applies to the imposition of penalties pursuant to subdivision (h) or (i) on or after January 1, 2003, without regard to the date on which the violation occurs.

(m) The Attorney General, upon request of a regional board or the state board, shall petition the appropriate court to collect any liability or penalty imposed pursuant to this section. Any person who fails to pay on a timely basis any liability or penalty imposed under this section shall be required to pay, in addition to that liability or penalty, interest, attorney's fees, costs for collection proceedings, and a quarterly nonpayment penalty for each quarter during which the failure to pay persists. The nonpayment penalty shall be in an amount equal to 20 percent of the aggregate amount of the person's penalty and nonpayment penalties that are unpaid as of the beginning of the quarter.

(n) (1) Subject to paragraph (2), funds collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account.

(2) (A) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, moneys collected for a violation of a water quality certification in accordance with paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) or for a violation of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. Sec. 1341) in accordance with paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) shall be deposited in the Waste Discharge Permit Fund and separately accounted for in that fund.

(B) The funds described in subparagraph (A) shall be expended by the state board, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to assist regional boards, and other public agencies with authority to clean up waste or abate the effects of the waste, in cleaning up or abating the effects of the waste on waters of the state or for the purposes authorized in Section 13443.

(o) The state board shall continuously report and update information on its Internet Web site, but at a minimum, annually

on or before January 1, regarding its enforcement activities. The information shall include all of the following:

(1) A compilation of the number of violations of waste discharge requirements in the previous calendar year, including stormwater enforcement violations.

(2) A record of the formal and informal compliance and enforcement actions taken for each violation, including stormwater enforcement actions.

(3) An analysis of the effectiveness of current enforcement policies, including mandatory minimum penalties.

(p) The amendments made to subdivisions (f), (h), (i) and (j) during the second year of the 2001–02 Regular Session apply only to violations that occur on or after January 1, 2003.

~~SEC. 250.~~

SEC. 240. Section 21100 of the Water Code is amended to read:

21100. (a) Each director, except as otherwise provided in this division, shall be a voter and a landowner in the district and a resident of the division that he or she represents at the time of his or her nomination or appointment and through his or her entire term, except in the case of the director elected at a formation election. A director elected at a formation election shall be a resident, landowner, and voter in the proposed district at the time of his or her nomination and a resident of the division that he or she represents during his or her entire term.

(b) In any district having no more than 15 landowners who are voters in the district, a person need not be a voter but shall be qualified to be a director of the district if he or she is a landowner of the district at the time of his or her nomination or appointment and during his or her entire term.

(c) In a district providing retail electricity for residents of the district, each director, except as otherwise provided in this division, shall be a voter of the district and a resident of the division that he or she represents at the time of his or her nomination or appointment and during his or her entire term, except in the case of a director elected at a formation election. A director elected at a formation election shall be a resident in the proposed district at the time of his or her nomination and a resident of the division that he or she represents during his or her entire term.

(d) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (a) of Section 21100, except as provided in paragraph (2), for the purpose of meeting the requirements of that subdivision, a person need not be a landowner within the district to be qualified to be a director of the district if either of the following applies:

(A) The person serves or seeks to serve on the board of directors of a district without divisions and the district is required to submit an urban water management plan pursuant to the Urban Water Management Planning Act (Part 2.6 (commencing with Section 10610) of Division 6).

(B) The person serves or seeks to serve on the board of directors of a district with divisions, the district is required to submit an urban water management plan pursuant to the Urban Water Management Planning Act (Part 2.6 (commencing with Section 10610) of Division 6), and the district, within the division that the person represents or seeks to represent, supplies water as a public water system subject to Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 116270) of Part 12 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code.

(2) A director appointed or elected before January 1, 2007, shall be subject to the qualification requirements imposed by subdivision (a) until the expiration of his or her term.

~~SEC. 251.~~

SEC. 241. Section 50780.10 of the Water Code is amended to read:

50780.10. A "voter" means any of the following:

(a) A landowner or the legal representative of a landowner.

(b) A voter as defined in Section 359 of the Elections Code who resides within the boundaries of the district.

(c) A voter as defined in subdivision (a) may vote for both parcel seats and land assessment seats.

(d) A voter as defined in subdivision (a) who is also a voter as defined in subdivision (b) may vote for both resident voter seats and land assessment seats.

~~SEC. 252.~~

SEC. 242. Section 202 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

202. (a) The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the protection and safety of the public and each minor under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court and to preserve and strengthen the minor's family ties whenever possible, removing the minor

from the custody of his or her parents only when necessary for his or her welfare or for the safety and protection of the public. If removal of a minor is determined by the juvenile court to be necessary, reunification of the minor with his or her family shall be a primary objective. If the minor is removed from his or her own family, it is the purpose of this chapter to secure for the minor custody, care, and discipline as nearly as possible equivalent to that which should have been given by his or her parents. This chapter shall be liberally construed to carry out these purposes.

(b) Minors under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court who are in need of protective services shall receive care, treatment, and guidance consistent with their best interest and the best interest of the public. Minors under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court as a consequence of delinquent conduct shall, in conformity with the interests of public safety and protection, receive care, treatment, and guidance that is consistent with their best interest, that holds them accountable for their behavior, and that is appropriate for their circumstances. This guidance may include punishment that is consistent with the rehabilitative objectives of this chapter. If a minor has been removed from the custody of his or her parents, family preservation and family reunification are appropriate goals for the juvenile court to consider when determining the disposition of a minor under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court as a consequence of delinquent conduct when those goals are consistent with his or her best interests and the best interests of the public. When the minor is no longer a ward of the juvenile court, the guidance he or she received should enable him or her to be a law-abiding and productive member of his or her family and the community.

(c) It is also the purpose of this chapter to reaffirm that the duty of a parent to support and maintain a minor child continues, subject to the financial ability of the parent to pay, during any period in which the minor may be declared a ward of the court and removed from the custody of the parent.

(d) Juvenile courts and other public agencies charged with enforcing, interpreting, and administering the juvenile court law shall consider the safety and protection of the public, the importance of redressing injuries to victims, and the best interests of the minor in all deliberations pursuant to this chapter. Participants in the juvenile justice system shall hold themselves

accountable for its results. They shall act in conformity with a comprehensive set of objectives established to improve system performance in a vigorous and ongoing manner. In working to improve system performance, the presiding judge of the juvenile court and other juvenile court judges designated by the presiding judge of the juvenile court shall take into consideration the recommendations contained in subdivision (e) of Standard 5.40 *of Title 5* of the California Standards of Judicial Administration, contained in the California Rules of Court.

(e) As used in this chapter, "punishment" means the imposition of sanctions. It does not include retribution and shall not include a court order to place a child in foster care as defined by Section 727.3. Permissible sanctions may include any of the following:

(1) Payment of a fine by the minor.

(2) Rendering of compulsory service without compensation performed for the benefit of the community by the minor.

(3) Limitations on the minor's liberty imposed as a condition of probation or parole.

(4) Commitment of the minor to a local detention or treatment facility, such as a juvenile hall, camp, or ranch.

(5) Commitment of the minor to the Division of Juvenile Facilities, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

(f) In addition to the actions authorized by subdivision (e), the juvenile court may, as appropriate, direct the offender to complete a victim impact class, participate in victim offender conferencing subject to the victim's consent, pay restitution to the victim or victims, and make a contribution to the victim restitution fund after all victim restitution orders and fines have been satisfied, in order to hold the offender accountable or restore the victim or community.

~~SEC. 253.~~

SEC. 243. Section 319 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

319. (a) At the initial petition hearing, the court shall examine the child's parents, guardians, or other persons having relevant knowledge and hear the relevant evidence as the child, the child's parents or guardians, the petitioner, or their counsel desires to present. The court may examine the child, as provided in Section 350.

(b) The social worker shall report to the court on the reasons why the child has been removed from the parent's physical custody, the need, if any, for continued detention, the available services and the referral methods to those services that could facilitate the return of the child to the custody of the child's parents or guardians, and whether there are any relatives who are able and willing to take temporary physical custody of the child. The court shall order the release of the child from custody unless a prima facie showing has been made that the child comes within Section 300, the court finds that continuance in the parent's or guardian's home is contrary to the child's welfare, and any of the following circumstances exist:

(1) There is a substantial danger to the physical health of the child or the child is suffering severe emotional damage, and there are no reasonable means by which the child's physical or emotional health may be protected without removing the child from the parent's or guardian's physical custody.

(2) There is substantial evidence that a parent, guardian, or custodian of the child is likely to flee the jurisdiction of the court.

(3) The child has left a placement in which he or she was placed by the juvenile court.

(4) The child indicates an unwillingness to return home, if the child has been physically or sexually abused by a person residing in the home.

(c) If the matter is continued pursuant to Section 322 or for any other reason, the court shall find that the continuance of the child in the parent's or guardian's home is contrary to the child's welfare at the initial petition hearing or order the release of the child from custody.

(d) (1) The court shall also make a determination on the record, referencing the social worker's report or other evidence relied upon, as to whether reasonable efforts were made to prevent or eliminate the need for removal of the child from his or her home, pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 306, and whether there are available services that would prevent the need for further detention. Services to be considered for purposes of making this determination are case management, counseling, emergency shelter care, emergency in-home caretakers, out-of-home respite care, teaching and demonstrating homemakers, parenting training, transportation, and any other child welfare services authorized by the State

Department of Social Services pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 16500) of Part 4 of Division 9. The court shall also review whether the social worker has considered whether a referral to public assistance services pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11200) and Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 14000) of Part 3, Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 17000) of Part 5, and Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 18900) of Part 6 of Division 9 would have eliminated the need to take temporary custody of the child or would prevent the need for further detention.

(2) If the child can be returned to the custody of his or her parent or guardian through the provision of those services, the court shall place the child with his or her parent or guardian and order that the services shall be provided. If the child cannot be returned to the physical custody of his or her parent or guardian, the court shall determine if there is a relative who is able and willing to care for the child, and has been assessed pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 309.

(e) If a court orders a child detained, the court shall state the facts on which the decision is based, specify why the initial removal was necessary, reference the social worker's report or other evidence relied upon to make its determination whether continuance in the home of the parent or legal guardian is contrary to the child's welfare, order temporary placement and care of the child to be vested with the county child welfare department pending the hearing held pursuant to Section 355 or further order of the court, and order services to be provided as soon as possible to reunify the child and his or her family if appropriate.

(f) (1) If the child is not released from custody, the court may order that the child shall be placed in the assessed home of a relative, in an emergency shelter or other suitable licensed place, in a place exempt from licensure designated by the juvenile court, or in the assessed home of a nonrelative extended family member as defined in Section 362.7 for a period not to exceed 15 judicial days.

(2) As used in this section, "relative" means an adult who is related to the child by blood, adoption, or affinity within the fifth degree of kinship, including stepparents, stepsiblings, and all relatives whose status is preceded by the words "great," "great-great," or "grand," or the spouse of any of these persons, even if the marriage was terminated by death or dissolution.

However, only the following relatives shall be given preferential consideration for placement of the child: an adult who is a grandparent, aunt, uncle, or sibling of the child.

(3) The court shall consider the recommendations of the social worker based on the assessment pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 309 of the relative's home, including the results of a criminal records check and prior child abuse allegations, if any, prior to ordering that the child be placed with a relative. The court shall order the parent to disclose to the social worker the names, residences, and any known identifying information of any maternal or paternal relatives of the child. The social worker shall initiate the assessment pursuant to Section 361.3 of any relative to be considered for continuing placement.

(g) (1) At the initial hearing upon the petition filed in accordance with subdivision (c) of Rule 5.520 of the California Rules of Court or anytime thereafter up until the time that the minor is adjudged a dependent child of the court or a finding is made dismissing the petition, the court may temporarily limit the right of the parent or guardian to make educational decisions for the child and temporarily appoint a responsible adult to make educational decisions for the child if all of the following conditions are found:

(A) The parent or guardian is unavailable, unable, or unwilling to exercise educational rights for the child.

(B) The county placing agency has made diligent efforts to locate and secure the participation of the parent or guardian in educational decisionmaking.

(C) The child's educational needs cannot be met without the temporary appointment of a responsible adult.

(2) If the court cannot identify a responsible adult to make educational decisions for the child and the appointment of a surrogate parent, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 56050 of the Education Code, is not warranted, the court may, with the input of any interested person, make educational decisions for the child. If the court makes educational decisions for the child, the court shall also issue appropriate orders to ensure that every effort is made to identify a responsible adult to make future educational decisions for the child.

(3) Any temporary appointment of a responsible adult and temporary limitation on the right of the parent or guardian to make

educational decisions for the child shall be specifically addressed in the court order. Any order made under this section shall expire at the conclusion of the hearing held pursuant to Section 361 or upon dismissal of the petition. Upon the entering of disposition orders, any additional needed limitation on the parent's or guardian's educational rights shall be addressed pursuant to Section 361.

~~SEC. 254.~~

SEC. 244. Section 4094 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

4094. (a) The State Department of Mental Health shall establish, by regulations adopted at the earliest possible date, but no later than December 31, 1994, program standards for any facility licensed as a community treatment facility. This section shall apply only to community treatment facilities described in this subdivision.

(b) A certification of compliance issued by the State Department of Mental Health shall be a condition of licensure for the community treatment facility by the State Department of Social Services. The department may, upon the request of a county, delegate the certification and supervision of a community treatment facility to the county department of mental health.

(c) The State Department of Mental Health shall adopt regulations to include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) Procedures by which the Director of Mental Health shall certify that a facility requesting licensure as a community treatment facility pursuant to Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 1500) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code is in compliance with program standards established pursuant to this section.

(2) Procedures by which the Director of Mental Health shall deny a certification to a facility or decertify a facility that is licensed as a community treatment facility pursuant to Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 1500) of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code, but no longer complying with program standards established pursuant to this section, in accordance with Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 11500) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

(3) Provisions for site visits by the State Department of Mental Health for the purpose of reviewing a facility's compliance with program standards established pursuant to this section.

(4) Provisions for the community care licensing staff of the State Department of Social Services to report to the State Department of Mental Health when there is reasonable cause to believe that a community treatment facility is not in compliance with program standards established pursuant to this section.

(5) Provisions for the State Department of Mental Health to provide consultation and documentation to the State Department of Social Services in any administrative proceeding regarding denial, suspension, or revocation of a community treatment facility license.

(d) The standards adopted by regulations pursuant to subdivision (a) shall include, but not be limited to, standards for treatment, staffing, and for the use of psychotropic medication, discipline, and restraints in the facilities. The standards shall also meet the requirements of Section 4094.5.

(e) (1) Until January 1, 2010, all of the following are applicable:

(A) A community treatment facility shall not be required by the State Department of Mental Health to have 24-hour onsite licensed nursing staff, but shall retain at least one full-time, or full-time-equivalent, registered nurse onsite if both of the following are applicable:

(i) The facility does not use mechanical restraint.

(ii) The facility only admits children who have been assessed, at the point of admission, by a licensed primary care provider and a licensed psychiatrist, who have concluded, with respect to each child, that the child does not require medical services that require 24-hour nursing coverage. For purposes of this section, a "primary care provider" includes a person defined in Section 14254, or a nurse practitioner who has the responsibility for providing initial and primary care to patients, for maintaining the continuity of care, and for initiating referral for specialist care.

(B) Other medical or nursing staff shall be available on call to provide appropriate services, when necessary, within one hour.

(C) All direct care staff shall be trained in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and in emergency intervention techniques and methods approved by the Community Care Licensing Division of the State Department of Social Services.

(2) The State Department of Mental Health may adopt emergency regulations as necessary to implement this subdivision. The adoption of these regulations shall be deemed to be an

emergency and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and general welfare. The regulations shall be exempt from review by the Office of Administrative Law and shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State. The regulations shall not remain in effect more than 180 days unless the adopting agency complies with all the provisions of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, as required by subdivision (e) of Section 11346.1 of the Government Code.

(f) During the initial public comment period for the adoption of the regulations required by this section, the community care facility licensing regulations proposed by the State Department of Social Services and the program standards proposed by the State Department of Mental Health shall be presented simultaneously.

(g) A minor shall be admitted to a community treatment facility only if the requirements of Section 4094.5 and either of the following conditions are met:

(1) The minor is within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, and has made voluntary application for mental health services pursuant to Section 6552.

(2) Informed consent is given by a parent, guardian, conservator, or other person having custody of the minor.

(h) Any minor admitted to a community treatment facility shall have the same due process rights afforded to a minor who may be admitted to a state hospital, pursuant to the holding in In re Roger S. (1977) 19 Cal.3d 921. Minors who are wards or dependents of the court and to whom this subdivision applies shall be afforded due process in accordance with Section 6552 and related case law, including In re Michael E. (1975) 15 Cal.3d 183. Regulations adopted pursuant to Section 4094 shall specify the procedures for ensuring these rights, including provisions for notification of rights and the time and place of hearings.

(i) Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, the sum of forty-five thousand dollars ($45,000) is hereby appropriated annually from the General Fund to the State Department of Mental Health for one personnel year to carry out the provisions of this section.

~~SEC. 255.~~

SEC. 245. Section 9103 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

9103. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

(a) Recent studies have shown that lifelong experiences of marginalization place lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) seniors at high risk for isolation, poverty, homelessness, and premature institutionalization. Moreover, many LGBT seniors are members of multiple underrepresented groups, and as a result, are doubly marginalized. Due to these factors, many LGBT seniors avoid accessing elder programs and services, even when their health, safety, and security depend on it.

(b) LGBT seniors often lack social and family support networks available to non-LGBT seniors. They may face particular health risks, as disease prevention strategies often ignore LGBT seniors, and HIV and AIDS drug trials generally do not include older participants.

(c) LGBT seniors are denied many vital financial benefits provided to heterosexual married couples. For example, surviving same-sex partners are denied the social security benefits that married couples are provided, and may face heavy taxes on the transfer of assets upon the death of a partner. Moreover, even under California law, LGBT seniors are denied equal long-term care insurance protections. This costs LGBT seniors hundreds of millions of dollars each year in lost benefits.

(d) The number of people 65 years of age and older in California is estimated to double to 6.5 million by the year 2020, thereby increasing the number of LGBT seniors who are receiving inadequate services.

(e) Ensuring that the needs of LGBT seniors as well as other underrepresented groups are adequately assessed during the planning and development of programs and services will increase access to the programs administered by the California Department of Aging and the area agencies on aging.

(f) California leads the nation in the protections it affords to LGBT persons. As the failure to meet the needs of LGBT seniors is a problem of national scope, including LGBT seniors and other underrepresented groups in need of assessment and area plan process will help the state to be a model for change in other states and at the federal level.

~~SEC. 256.~~

SEC. 246. Section 11155.6 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

11155.6. (a) (1) The principal and interest in a 401(k) plan, 403(b) plan, IRA, 457 plan, 529 college savings plan, or Coverdell ESA, shall be excluded from consideration as property when redetermining eligibility and the amount of assistance for recipients of CalWORKs benefits.

(2) The principal and interest in a 401(k) plan, 403(b) plan, IRA, 457 plan, 529 plan college savings plan, or Coverdell ESA, shall not be excluded from consideration as property when determining eligibility and the amount of assistance only with respect to an applicant for benefits who is not a recipient of CalWORKs benefits.

(b) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) "401(k) plan" means a deferred compensation plan that satisfies the requirements of Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(2) "403(b) plan" means a qualified annuity plan that satisfies the requirements of Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(3) "IRA" means an individual retirement account that satisfies the requirements of Section 408 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(4) "457 plan" means a deferred compensation plan that satisfies the requirements of Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(5) "529 college savings plan" means a qualified tuition program that satisfies the requirements of Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(6) "Coverdell ESA" means an education savings account that satisfies the requirements of Section 530 of the Internal Revenue Code.

~~SEC. 257.~~

SEC. 247. Section 14107.2 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

14107.2. (a) Any person who solicits or receives any remuneration, including, but not restricted to, any kickback, bribe, or rebate, directly or indirectly, overtly or covertly, in cash or in valuable consideration of any kind either:

(1) In return for the referral, or promised referral, of any individual to a person for the furnishing or arranging for the furnishing of any service or merchandise for which payment

may be made in whole or in part under this chapter or Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 14200); or

(2) In return for the purchasing, leasing, ordering, or arranging for or recommending the purchasing, leasing, or ordering of any goods, facility, service or merchandise for which payment may be made, in whole or in part, under this chapter or Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 14200), is punishable upon a first conviction by imprisonment in a county jail for not longer than one year or state prison, or by a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars ($10,000), or by both that imprisonment and fine. A second or subsequent conviction shall be punishable by imprisonment in the state prison.

(b) Any person who offers or pays any remuneration, including, but not restricted to, any kickback, bribe, or rebate, directly or indirectly, overtly or covertly, in cash or in valuable consideration of any kind either:

(1) To refer any individual to a person for the furnishing or arranging for furnishing of any service or merchandise for which payment may be made, in whole or in part, under this chapter or Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 14200); or

(2) To purchase, lease, order, or arrange for or recommend the purchasing, leasing, or ordering of any goods, facility, service, or merchandise for which payment may be made in whole or in part under this chapter or Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 14200), is punishable upon a first conviction by imprisonment in a county jail for not longer than one year or state prison, or by a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars ($10,000), or by both that imprisonment and fine. A second or subsequent conviction shall be punishable by imprisonment in the state prison.

(c) Subdivisions (a) and (b) shall not apply to the following:

(1) Any amount paid by an employer to an employee, who has a bona fide employment relationship with that employer, for employment with provision of covered items or services.

(2) A discount or other reduction in price obtained by a provider of services or other entity under this chapter or Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 14200), if the reduction in price is properly disclosed and reflected in the costs claimed or charges made by the provider or entity under this chapter or Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 14200). This paragraph shall not apply

to consultant pharmaceutical services rendered to nursing facilities nor to all categories of intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled.

(3) The practices or transactions between a federally-qualified health center, as defined in Section 1396d(*l*)(2)(B) of Title 42 of the United States Code, and any individual or entity shall be permitted only to the extent sanctioned or permitted by federal law.

(d) For purposes of this section, "kickback" means a rebate or anything of value or advantage, present or prospective, or any promise or undertaking to give any rebate or thing of value or advantage, with a corrupt intent to unlawfully influence the person to whom it is given in actions undertaken by that person in his or her public, professional, or official capacity.

(e) The enforcement remedies provided under this section are not exclusive and shall not preclude the use of any other criminal or civil remedy.

~~SEC. 258.~~

SEC. 248. Section 14115 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

14115. (a) Bills for service under this chapter shall be submitted not more than six months after the month in which the service is rendered, and shall be in the form prescribed by the director, except that in the event the patient does not identify himself or herself to the provider as a Medi-Cal beneficiary within four months after the month in which the service was rendered, the provider shall be entitled to submit his or her statement at any time within 60 days after that date certified by the provider as the date the patient was first identified as a Medi-Cal beneficiary. However, the date certified by the provider as the date the patient was first so identified shall not be later than one year after the month in which the service was rendered. Whenever a provider has submitted a claim to a liable third party, the provider shall have one year after the month in which the service is rendered for submission of the bill. Whenever a legal proceeding has been commenced with either an administrative or judicial tribunal concerning a bill for which the provider is attempting to obtain payment from a liable third party, the provider shall have one year in which to submit the bill after the month in which the services have been rendered. A copy of the pleadings shall be conclusively

presumed to be sufficient evidence of commencement of a legal proceeding.

(b) The director may, where he or she finds that delay in the submission of bills was caused by circumstances beyond the control of the provider, extend the period for submission of bills for a period not to exceed one year.

(c) (1) Reimbursement for an original claim, submitted for payment between six and 12 months after the month of service, that does not meet any of the exceptions allowing billing after six months as specified in subdivisions (a) and (b), or the exception specified in subdivision (f), shall be reduced as follows:

(A) The amount otherwise payable by Medi-Cal shall be reduced by 25 percent for claims submitted during the seventh through the ninth month after the month of service.

(B) The amount otherwise payable by Medi-Cal shall be reduced by 50 percent for claims submitted during the 10th through the 12th month after the month of service.

(2) The director may establish exceptions through regulations, for claims submitted beyond the one-year billing limitation, to the extent full federal participation is available.

(3) The reductions specified in paragraph (1) shall not apply to a Medi-Cal program for which there is no state General Fund match, including, but not limited to, the Local Educational Agency (LEA) Medi-Cal Billing Option program and the Targeted Case Management (TCM) program.

(d) For the purposes of this section, identification of a patient as a Medi-Cal beneficiary shall mean presentation to the provider of the patient's Medi-Cal card.

(e) No further followup shall be required, after the provider receives acknowledgment of a claim inquiry from the fiscal intermediary, until the claim is paid or denied, except that this period shall not exceed one year from the date of acknowledgment. Within one year from the date of acknowledgment the next level of appeal shall be utilized by the provider.

(f) To the extent permitted by federal law, when a state of emergency has been declared by either the President of the United States or the Governor, the director, in order to ensure continued access to health care services, may remit payment for services without the submission of required documentation, to any provider in good standing under the Medi-Cal program who, due to

destruction, loss, or inaccessibility of data as a result of the emergency situation, is unable to submit claims. Emergency payments may be made for a period of up to six months from the date of the emergency declaration. All requests for emergency payment shall include adequate justification for payment, as required by the director, and shall be paid based on the previous claims history of the requesting provider held by the department.

~~SEC. 259.~~

SEC. 249. Section 14123.05 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

14123.05. The department shall develop, in consultation with provider representatives, including, but not limited to, physician, pharmacy, and medical supplies providers, a process that enables a provider to meet and confer with the appropriate department officials within 30 days after the issuance of a letter notifying the provider of a temporary withhold of payments, pursuant to Section 14107.11, or a temporary suspension, pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 14043.36, for the purpose of presenting and discussing information and evidence that may impact the department's decision to modify or terminate the sanction.

~~SEC. 260.~~

SEC. 250. Section 14166.18 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

14166.18. (a) With respect to each project year, the director shall determine a baseline funding amount for each nondesignated public hospital that was an eligible hospital under paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 14105.98 for both the 2004–05 fiscal year and the project year. A hospital's baseline funding amount shall be an amount equal to the total amount paid to the hospital for inpatient hospital services rendered to Medi-Cal beneficiaries during the 2004–05 fiscal year, including the following Medi-Cal payments, but excluding payments received under the Medi-Cal Specialty Mental Health Services Consolidation Program:

(1) Base payments under the selective provider contracting program as provided for under Article 2.6 (commencing with Section 14081) or the Medi-Cal state plan cost reimbursement system for inpatient hospital services for noncontracting hospitals.

(2) Emergency Services and Supplemental Payments Fund payments as provided for under Section 14085.6.

(3) Medi-Cal Medical Education Supplemental Payment Fund payments and Large Teaching Emphasis Hospital and Children's Hospital Medi-Cal Medical Education Supplemental Payment Fund payments as provided for under Sections 14085.7 and 14085.8, respectively.

(4) Small and Rural Hospital Supplemental Payments Fund payments as provided for under Section 14085.9.

(5) Disproportionate share hospital payment adjustments as provided for under Section 14105.98.

(6) Administrative day payments as provided for under Section 51542 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations.

(b) The baseline funding amount for each nondesignated public hospital shall reflect a reduction for the total amount of intergovernmental transfers made pursuant to Sections 14085.6, 14085.7, 14085.8, 14085.9, and 14163 for the 2004–05 state fiscal year by the nondesignated public hospital, or on its behalf by the governmental entity with which it is affiliated.

(c) The aggregate nondesignated public hospital baseline funding amount shall be the sum of all baseline funding amounts determined under subdivision (a), as adjusted by subdivision (b).

(d) With respect to each project year beginning after the 2005–06 project year, an aggregate nondesignated public hospital adjusted baseline funding amount shall be determined as follows:

(1) The department shall determine the aggregate total Medi-Cal revenue, using amounts determined under subdivision (a), as adjusted by subdivision (b), but excluding the reductions for the amount of intergovernmental transfers made pursuant to Section 14163, with respect to inpatient hospital services rendered during the 2004–05 fiscal year, for nondesignated public hospitals that were eligible hospitals under paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 14105.98 for the project year, less the total amount of disproportionate share hospital payments identified in paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) for those hospitals.

(2) The department shall determine the aggregate total Medi-Cal revenue paid or payable for inpatient hospital services rendered during the fiscal year preceding the project year for which the nondesignated public hospital adjusted baseline funding amount is being calculated for the nondesignated public hospitals described in paragraph (1). The aggregate total revenue for services rendered in the particular preceding fiscal year shall include the payments

that are described under paragraphs (1) and (6) of subdivision (a), and all other payments made to nondesignated public hospitals under this article, excluding disproportionate share hospital payments pursuant to Section 14166.16, stabilization funding pursuant to Section 14166.19, and distressed hospital funding pursuant to Section 14166.23 and paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 14166.20.

(3) The department shall:

(A) Calculate the difference between the amount determined under paragraph (1) and the amount determined under paragraph (2).

(B) Determine the percentage increase or decrease by dividing the difference in subparagraph (A) by the amount in paragraph (1).

(C) Apply the percentage determined in subparagraph (B) to the amount that results from both of the following:

(i) Aggregating the nondesignated public hospital baseline funding amounts determined under subdivision (a), as adjusted by subdivision (b), but excluding the reductions for the amount of intergovernmental transfers made pursuant to Section 14163.

(ii) Subtracting from the amount in clause (i) the total amount of disproportionate share hospital payments in paragraph (5) of subdivision (a) for those hospitals.

(D) The aggregate nondesignated public hospital adjusted baseline funding amount is the amount determined in subdivision (c), plus the resulting product determined in subparagraph (C).

~~SEC. 261.~~

SEC. 251. Section 16540 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

16540. The California Child Welfare Council is hereby established, which shall serve as an advisory body responsible for improving the collaboration and processes of the multiple agencies and the courts that serve the children and youth in the child welfare and foster care systems. The council shall monitor and report the extent to which child welfare and foster care programs and the courts are responsive to the needs of children in their joint care. The council shall issue advisory reports whenever it deems appropriate, but in any event, no less frequently than annually, to the Governor, the Legislature, the Judicial Council, and the public.

A report of the Child Welfare Council shall, at a minimum, include recommendations for all of the following:

(a) Ensuring that all state child welfare, foster care, and judicial funding and services for children, youth, and families is, to the greatest extent possible, coordinated to eliminate fragmentation and duplication of services provided to children or families who would benefit from integrated multiagency services.

(b) Increasing the quality, appropriateness, and effectiveness of program services and judicial processes delivered to children, youth, and families who would benefit from integrated multiagency services to achieve better outcomes for these children, youth, and families.

(c) Promoting consistent program and judicial excellence across counties to the greatest extent possible while recognizing the demographic, geographic, and financial differences among the counties.

(d) Increasing collaboration and coordination between county agencies, state agencies, federal agencies, and the courts.

(e) Ensuring that all state Title IV-E plans, program improvement plans, and court improvement plans demonstrate effective collaboration between public agencies and the courts.

(f) Assisting the Secretary of California Health and Human Services and the chief justice in formulating policies for the effective administration of the child welfare and foster care programs and judicial processes.

(g) Modifying program practices and court processes, rate structures, and other system changes needed to promote and support relative caregivers, family foster parents, therapeutic placements, and other placements for children who cannot remain in the family home.

(h) Developing data and information sharing agreements and protocols for the exchange of aggregate data across program and court systems that are providing services to children and families in the child welfare system. These data-sharing agreements shall allow child welfare agencies and the courts to access data concerning the health, mental health, special education, and educational status and progress of children served by county child welfare systems subject to state and federal confidentiality laws and regulations. They shall be developed in tandem with the establishment of judicial case management systems as well as

additional or enhanced performance measures described in subdivision (b) of Section 16544.

(i) Developing systematic methods for obtaining policy recommendations from foster youth about the effectiveness and quality of program services and judicial processes, and ensuring that the interests of foster youth are adequately addressed in all policy development.

(j) Implementing legislative enactments in the child welfare and foster care programs and the courts, and reporting to the Legislature on the timeliness and consistency of the implementation.

(k) Monitoring the adequacy of resources necessary for the implementation of existing programs and court processes, and the prioritization of program and judicial responsibilities.

(*l*) Strengthening and increasing the independence and authority of the foster care ombudsperson.

(m) Coordinating available services for former foster youth and improving outreach efforts to those youth and their families.

~~SEC. 262.~~

SEC. 252. Section 16541.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

16541.5. The council shall meet no less frequently than each quarter of the state fiscal year and at the call of the cochairs, at a time and location convenient to the public as it may deem appropriate. All meetings of the council shall be open to the public. Members shall serve without compensation, with the exception of foster youth members, who shall be entitled to reimbursement for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

~~SEC. 263.~~

SEC. 253. Section 16542 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

16542. The cochairs may appoint committees composed of council members, experts in specialized fields, foster youth, program stakeholders, state and county child welfare and foster care staff, child advocacy organizations, members of the judiciary, foster care public health nurses, or any combination thereof, to advise the council on any functions of the council and the services provided through the child welfare and foster care programs and the courts. Members of these committees shall receive no compensation from the state for their services, with the exception

of foster youth members, who shall be entitled to reimbursement for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The committees may assemble information and make recommendations to the council, but shall not exercise any of the powers vested in the council. The council may seek input from groups and individuals as it deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, advisory committees, the judiciary and child welfare and foster care program stakeholders.

~~SEC. 264.~~

SEC. 254. Section 16545 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

16545. By April 1, 2008, the Judicial Council shall adopt, through rules of court, performance measures designed to complement and promote those measures specified in Section 16544 so that courts are able to measure their performance and track their own progress in improving safety, permanency, timeliness, and well-being of children and to inform decisions about the allocation of court resources. In adopting performance measures, the Judicial Council shall consult with the council and the secretary. The performance measures shall be based on data that is available from current or planned data collection processes and to the greatest extent possible, shall ensure uniformity of data reporting.

~~SEC. 265.~~

SEC. 255. Section 16809 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

16809. (a) (1) The board of supervisors of a county that contracted with the department pursuant to Section 16709 during the 1990–91 fiscal year and any county with a population under 300,000, as determined in accordance with the 1990 decennial census, by adopting a resolution to that effect, may elect to participate in the County Medical Services Program. The governing board shall have responsibilities for specified health services to county residents certified eligible for those services by the county.

(2) The board of supervisors of a county that has contracted with the governing board pursuant to paragraph (1) may also contract with the governing board for the delivery of health care and health-related services to county residents other than under the County Medical Services Program by adopting a resolution to that effect. The governing board shall have responsibilities for the

delivery of specified health services to county residents as agreed upon by the governing board and the county. Participation by a county pursuant to this paragraph shall be voluntary, and funds shall be provided solely by the county.

(b) The governing board may contract with the department or any other person or entity to administer the County Medical Services Program.

(1) If the governing board contracts with the department to administer the County Medical Services Program, that contract shall include, but need not be limited to, all of the following:

(A) Provisions for the payment to participating counties for making eligibility determinations as determined by the governing board.

(B) Provisions for payment of expenses of the governing board.

(C) Provisions relating to the flow of funds from counties' vehicle license fees, sales taxes, and participation fees and the procedures to be followed if a county does not pay those funds to the program.

(D) Those provisions, as applicable, contained in the 1993–94 fiscal year contract with counties under the County Medical Services Program.

(E) Provisions for the department to administer the County Medical Services Program pursuant to regulations adopted by the governing board or as otherwise determined by the governing board.

(F) Provisions requiring that the governing board reimburse the state costs of providing administrative support to the County Medical Services Program in accordance with amounts determined between the governing board and the department.

(2) If the governing board does not contract with the department for administration of the County Medical Services Program, the governing board may contract with the department for specified services to assist in the administration of that program. Any contract with the department under this paragraph shall require that the governing board reimburse the state costs of providing administrative support.

(3) The department shall not be liable for any costs related to decisions of the governing board that are in excess of those set forth in the contract between the department and the governing board.

(c) Each county intending to participate in the County Medical Services Program pursuant to this section shall submit to the governing board a notice of intent to contract adopted by the board of supervisors no later than April 1 of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year in which the county will participate in the County Medical Services Program.

(d) A county participating in the County Medical Services Program pursuant to this section, or a county contracting with the governing board pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (a), or participating in a pilot project or contracting with the governing board for an alternative product pursuant to Section 16809.4, shall not be relieved of its indigent health care obligation under Section 17000.

(e) (1) The County Medical Services Program Account is established in the County Health Services Fund. The County Medical Services Program Account is continuously appropriated, notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, without regard to fiscal years. The following amounts may be deposited in the account:

(A) Any interest earned upon money deposited in the account.

(B) Moneys provided by participating counties or appropriated by the Legislature to the account.

(C) Moneys loaned pursuant to subdivision (n).

(2) The methods and procedures used to deposit funds into the account shall be consistent with the methods used by the program during the 1993–94 fiscal year, unless otherwise determined by the governing board.

(f) Moneys in the program account shall be used by the governing board, or by the department if the department contracts with the governing board for this purpose, to pay for health care services provided to the persons meeting the eligibility criteria established pursuant to subdivision (j) and to pay the governing board expenses and program administrative costs. In addition, moneys in this account may be used to reimburse the department for state costs pursuant to subparagraph (F) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (b).

(g) (1) Moneys in this account shall be administered on an accrual basis and notwithstanding any other provision of law, except as provided in this section, shall not be transferred to any other fund or account in the State Treasury except for purposes of

investment as provided in Article 4 (commencing with Section 16470) of Chapter 3 of Part 2 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

(2) (A) All interest or other increment resulting from the investment shall be deposited in the program account, notwithstanding Section 16305.7 of the Government Code.

(B) All interest deposited pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall be available to reimburse program-covered services, governing board expenses, and program administrative costs.

(h) The governing board shall establish a reserve account for the purpose of depositing funds for the payment of claims and unexpected contingencies. Funds in the reserve account in excess of the amounts the governing board determines necessary for these purposes shall be available for expenditures in years when program expenditures exceed program funds, and to augment the rates, benefits, or eligibility criteria under the program.

(i) (1) Counties shall pay participation fees as established by the governing board and their jurisdictional risk amount in a method that is consistent with that established in the 1993–94 fiscal year.

(2) A county may request, due to financial hardship, that the payments under paragraph (1) be delayed. The request shall be subject to approval by the governing board.

(3) Payments made pursuant to this subdivision shall be deposited in the program account, unless otherwise directed by the governing board.

(4) Payments may be made as part of the deposits authorized by the county pursuant to Sections 17603.05 and 17604.05.

(j) (1) (A) Beginning in the 1992–93 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, counties and the state shall share the risk for cost increases of the County Medical Services Program not funded through other sources. The state shall be at risk for any cost that exceeds the cumulative annual growth in dedicated sales tax and vehicle license fee revenue, up to the amount of twenty million two hundred thirty-seven thousand four hundred sixty dollars ($20,237,460) per fiscal year, except for the 1999–2000, 2000–01, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05, 2005–06, and 2006–07 fiscal years. Counties shall be at risk up to the cumulative annual growth in the Local Revenue Fund created by Section 17600, according to the table specified in paragraph (2), to the County

Medical Services Program, plus the additional cost increases in excess of twenty million two hundred thirty-seven thousand four hundred sixty dollars ($20,237,460) per fiscal year, except for the 1999–2000, 2000–01, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05, 2005–06, and 2006–07 fiscal years.

(B) For the 1999–2000, 2000–01, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05, 2005–06, and 2006–07 fiscal years, the state shall not be at risk for any cost that exceeds the cumulative annual growth in dedicated sales tax and vehicle license fee revenue. Counties shall be at risk up to the cumulative annual growth in the Local Revenue Fund created by Section 17600, according to the table specified in paragraph (2), to the County Medical Services Program, plus any additional cost increases for the 1999–2000, 2000–01, 2001–02, 2002–03, 2003–04, 2004–05, 2005–06, and 2006–07 fiscal years.

(C) (i) The governing board shall establish uniform eligibility criteria and benefits among all counties participating in the County Medical Services Program listed in paragraph (2). For counties that are not listed in paragraph (2) and that elect to participate pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), the eligibility criteria and benefit structure may vary from those of counties participating pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).

(ii) Notwithstanding clause (i), the governing board may establish and maintain pilot projects to identify or test alternative approaches for determining eligibility or for providing or paying for benefits under the County Medical Services Program, and may develop and implement alternative products with varying levels of eligibility criteria and benefits outside of the County Medical Services Program.

(2) For the 1991–92 fiscal year, and each year thereafter, jurisdictional risk limitations shall be as follows:

Jurisdiction	Amount
Alpine	$ 13,150
Amador	620,264
Butte	5,950,593
Calaveras	913,959
Colusa	799,988
Del Norte	781,358
El Dorado	3,535,288

Glenn	787,933
Humboldt	6,883,182
Imperial	6,394,422
Inyo	1,100,257
Kings	2,832,833
Lake	1,022,963
Lassen	687,113
Madera	2,882,147
Marin	7,725,909
Mariposa	435,062
Mendocino	1,654,999
Modoc	469,034
Mono	369,309
Napa	3,062,967
Nevada	1,860,793
Plumas	905,192
San Benito	1,086,011
Shasta	5,361,013
Sierra	135,888
Siskiyou	1,372,034
Solano	6,871,127
Sonoma	13,183,359
Sutter	2,996,118
Tehama	1,912,299
Trinity	611,497
Tuolumne	1,455,320
Yuba	2,395,580

(3) Beginning in the 1991–92 fiscal year and in subsequent fiscal years, the jurisdictional risk limitation for the counties that did not contract with the department pursuant to Section 16709 during the 1990–91 fiscal year shall be the amount specified in subparagraph (A) plus the amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (B), minus the amount specified by the governing board as participation fees.

(A)

Jurisdiction	Amount
Merced	$2,033,729
Placer	1,338,330

San Luis Obispo	2,000,491
Santa Cruz	3,037,783
Yolo	1,475,620

(B) The amount of funds necessary to fully fund the anticipated costs for the county shall be determined by the governing board before a county is permitted to participate in the County Medical Services Program.

(4) The specific amounts and method of apportioning risk to each participating county may be adjusted by the governing board.

(k) The Legislature hereby determines that an expedited contract process for contracts under this section is necessary. Contracts under this section shall be exempt from Part 2 (commencing with Section 10100) of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code. Contracts of the department pursuant to this section shall have no force or effect unless they are approved by the Department of Finance.

(*l*) The state shall not incur any liability except as specified in this section.

(m) Third-party recoveries for services provided under this section may be pursued.

(n) The Department of Finance may authorize a loan of up to thirty million dollars ($30,000,000) for deposit into the program account to ensure that there are sufficient funds available to reimburse providers and counties pursuant to this section.

(o) Moneys appropriated from the General Fund to meet the state risk, as set forth in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (j), shall not be available for those counties electing to disenroll from the County Medical Services Program.

~~SEC. 266.~~

SEC. 256. Section 16809.3 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

16809.3. (a) Beginning in the 1991–92 fiscal year, and in subsequent fiscal years, a county shall pay the amount listed below or as established by the governing board pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (e) of Section 16809.4, to the governing board as a condition of participation in the County Medical Services Program administered pursuant to Section 16809:

Jurisdiction	Amount

Alpine	$ 661
Amador	17,107
Butte	459,610
Calaveras	30,401
Colusa	28,997
Del Norte	39,424
El Dorado	233,492
Glenn	33,989
Humboldt	430,851
Imperial	249,786
Inyo	18,950
Kings	195,053
Lake	150,278
Lassen	17,206
Madera	151,434
Marin	576,233
Mariposa	5,649
Mendocino	247,578
Modoc	9,688
Mono	25,469
Napa	142,767
Nevada	42,051
Plumas	23,796
San Benito	37,018
Shasta	294,369
Sierra	6,183
Siskiyou	48,956
Solano	809,548
Sonoma	718,947
Sutter	188,781
Tehama	79,950
Trinity	8,319
Tuolumne	34,947
Yuba	101,907

(b) Beginning in the 1991–92 fiscal year and in subsequent fiscal years, counties that did not contract with the department pursuant to Section 16709 during the 1990–91 fiscal year shall pay the following amount listed below or as established by the governing board pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of

subdivision (e) of Section 16809.4, to the governing board as a condition of participation in the County Medical Services Program, administered pursuant to Section 16809:

Jurisdiction	Amount
Merced	$488,954
Placer	247,193
San Luis Obispo	358,571
Santa Cruz	678,868
Yolo	532,510

(c) (1) County amounts specified in subdivisions (a) and (b) shall be paid to the governing board in 12 equal monthly payments or as otherwise specified by the governing board. Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), a county that does not pay the amounts specified in subdivision (a) or (b) may be terminated from participation in the program.

(2) A county may request, due to financial hardship, that payments specified under subdivisions (a) and (b) be delayed. The request shall be subject to the approval of the governing board.

(3) For the 1991–92 fiscal year and subsequent fiscal years, counties that enter the County Medical Services Program shall pay the amount specified in subdivision (a) or (b), as applicable, on a prorated basis, for the number of contracted months of participation in the County Medical Services Program.

(d) The payments required by subdivision (c) shall not be paid for with funds from the health account of the local health and welfare trust fund established pursuant to Section 17600.10.

~~SEC. 267.~~

SEC. 257. Section 18309 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

18309. (a) The Alameda County Board of Supervisors shall direct the local registrar, county recorder, and county clerk to deposit fees collected pursuant to Section 26840.10 of the Government Code and Section 103627 of the Health and Safety Code into a special fund. The county may retain up to 4 percent of the fund for administrative costs associated with the collection and segregation of the additional fees and the deposit of these fees into the special fund. Proceeds from the fund shall be used for governmental oversight and coordination of domestic violence

and family violence prevention, intervention, and prosecution efforts among the court system, the district attorney's office, the public defender's office, law enforcement, the probation department, mental health, substance abuse, child welfare services, adult protective services, and community-based organizations and other agencies working in Alameda County in order to increase the effectiveness of prevention, early intervention, and prosecution of domestic and family violence.

(b) The City Council of the City of Berkeley shall direct the local registrar to deposit fees collected pursuant to Section 103627 of the Health and Safety Code into a special fund. The city may retain up to 4 percent of the fund for administrative costs associated with the collection and segregation of the additional fees and the deposit of these fees into the special fund. Proceeds from the fund shall be used for governmental oversight and coordination of domestic violence and family violence prevention and intervention efforts, including law enforcement, mental health, public health, substance abuse, victim advocacy, community education, and housing, in order to increase the effectiveness of prevention, early intervention, and prosecution of domestic and family violence.

(c) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2010, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute deletes or extends that date.

~~SEC. 268.~~

SEC. 258. Section 18945 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

18945. (a) Noncitizen victims of trafficking, domestic violence, and other serious crimes, as defined in subdivision (b), shall be eligible for public social services under this division, and health care services under Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, to the same extent as individuals who are admitted to the United States as refugees under Section 1157 of Title 8 of the United States Code. These services shall discontinue if there is a final administrative denial of a visa application under Section 1101 (a)(15)(T)(i) or (ii), or Section 1101 (a)(15)(U)(i) or (ii), of Title 8 of the United States Code. For trafficking victims on behalf of whom law enforcement officials have not yet filed for continued presence or who have not yet filed an application for a visa, benefits issued pursuant to this subdivision shall be available for up to one year, and shall continue

after that date only if an application for continued presence, or an application for a visa, is filed within the one-year period. Benefits and services under this subdivision shall be paid from state funds to the extent federal funding is unavailable.

(b) For purposes of this section, victims of trafficking, domestic violence, and other serious crimes shall be defined to include both of the following:

(1) Noncitizen victims of a severe form of trafficking in persons, who have been subjected to an act or practice described in Section 7102 (8) or (9) of Title 22 of the United States Code or Section 236.1 of the Penal Code, and who have filed an I-914 application for T Nonimmigrant status with the appropriate federal agency, are preparing to file an application for status under Section 1101 (a)(15)(T)(i) or (ii) of Title 8 of the United States Code, or otherwise are taking steps to meet the conditions for federal benefits eligibility under Section 7105 of Title 22 of the United States Code.

(2) Individuals who have filed a formal application with the appropriate federal agency for status under Section 1101 (a)(15)(U)(i) or (ii) of Title 8 of the United States Code.

(c) After one year from the date of application for public social services, noncitizen victims of a severe form of trafficking, as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b), shall be ineligible for state-funded services if a visa application has not been filed until under Section 1101 (a)(15)(T)(i) or (ii) of Title 8 of the United States Code.

(d) A noncitizen victim of a severe form of trafficking, as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b), who is issued a visa shall be removed from the state funded program and provided federally funded public social services benefits under the provisions of Section 1522 of Title 8 of the United States Code, or another federal program for which the noncitizen victim may be eligible.

(e) For purposes of this section, Section 13283 and Section 14005.2:

(1) In determining whether an applicant for public social services has been a victim of a severe form of human trafficking, as defined in Section 7102 (8) or (9) of Title 22 of the United States Code, or Section 236.1 of the Penal Code, the state or local agency shall consider all relevant and credible evidence. A sworn statement by a victim, or a representative if the victim is not able to competently

swear, shall be sufficient if at least one item of additional evidence is also provided, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

(A) Police, government agency, or court records or files.

(B) News articles.

(C) Documentation from a social services, trafficking, or domestic violence program, or a legal, clinical, medical, or other professional from whom the applicant or recipient has sought assistance in dealing with the crime.

(D) A statement from any other individual with knowledge of the circumstances that provided the basis for the claim.

(E) Physical evidence.

(F) A copy of a completed visa application.

(G) Written notice from the federal agency of receipt of the visa application.

(2) If the victim cannot provide additional evidence, then the sworn statement shall be sufficient if the county or state agency makes a determination documented in the case file that the applicant is credible.

~~SEC. 269.~~

SEC. 259. Section 18951 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

18951. As used in this chapter:

(a) "Child" means an individual under the age of 18 years.

(b) "Child services" means services for or on behalf of children, and includes the following:

(1) Protective services.

(2) Caretaker services.

(3) Day care services, including dropoff care.

(4) Homemaker services or family aides.

(5) Counseling services.

(c) "Adult services" means services for or on behalf of a parent of a child, which shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) Access to voluntary placement, long or short term.

(2) Counseling services before and after a crisis.

(3) Homemaker services or family aides.

(d) "Multidisciplinary personnel" means any team of three or more persons who are trained in the prevention, identification, and treatment of child abuse and neglect cases and who are qualified to provide a broad range of services related to child abuse. The team may include but not be limited to:

(1) Psychiatrists, psychologists, marriage and family therapists, or other trained counseling personnel.

(2) Police officers or other law enforcement agents.

(3) Medical personnel with sufficient training to provide health services.

(4) Social workers with experience or training in child abuse prevention.

(5) Any public or private school teacher, administrative officer, supervisor of child welfare and attendance, or certificated pupil personnel employee.

(e) "Child abuse" as used in this chapter means a situation in which a child suffers from any one or more of the following:

(1) Serious physical injury inflicted upon the child by other than accidental means.

(2) Harm by reason of intentional neglect or malnutrition or sexual abuse.

(3) Going without necessary and basic physical care.

(4) Willful mental injury, negligent treatment, or maltreatment of a child under the age of 18 years by a person who is responsible for the child's welfare under circumstances that indicate that the child's health or welfare is harmed or threatened thereby, as determined in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Director of Social Services.

(5) Any condition that results in the violation of the rights or physical, mental, or moral welfare of a child or jeopardizes the child's present or future health, opportunity for normal development or capacity for independence.

(f) "Parent" means any person who exercises care, custody, and control of the child as established by law.

~~SEC. 270.~~

SEC. 260. Section 17 of the Orange County Water District Act (Chapter 924 of the Statutes of 1933), as amended by Chapter 218 of the Statutes of 2006, is amended to read:

Sec. 17. (a) The board of directors, on or before the first meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Orange County in August of each year, shall furnish the Board of Supervisors and the Auditor of Orange County with an estimate in writing of the amount of money needed for the initiated or authorized purposes of the district for the current fiscal year, including the purchase of supplemental water for the replenishment of groundwater supplies of the district

and amounts necessary for the payment of the principal of, and interest on, any bonded debt of the district as it becomes due.

(b) (1) The amount of the general assessment levied during any year, excluding the amounts necessary for the payment of the principal of, and interest on, any bonded debt of the district, shall not exceed twenty cents ($0.20) for each one hundred dollars ($100), or fraction thereof, of assessable property in the district, excluding personal property, according to the last assessment rolls of Orange County.

(2) A tax rate in excess of eight cents ($0.08) for each one hundred dollars ($100), or fraction thereof, of assessable property in the district, excluding personal property, according to the last assessment rolls of Orange County, shall not be established unless authorized by an affirmative vote of eight of the members of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District.

(3) The general assessments provided for in this section shall not exceed eight cents ($0.08) for each one hundred dollars ($100), or fraction thereof, of mineral rights, where the mineral rights are assessed separately from the land.

(4) All funds derived from a general assessment in excess of those derived from eight cents ($0.08) for each one hundred dollars ($100), or fraction thereof, of assessable property in the district of any general assessment shall be deposited and applied to the water reserve fund.

(c) The amounts deposited and applied to the water reserve fund shall be used solely and exclusively for all of the following purposes:

(1) The purchase of supplemental water for the replenishment of the groundwater supplies of the district.

(2) Acquiring, constructing or developing intrusion prevention projects, spreading grounds or basins, wastewater reclamation and water salvage projects, canals, conduits, pipelines, wells, or other works useful or necessary for the purposes of the district and to carry out the provisions of this section.

(3) Acquiring any real or personal property or rights or privilege therein useful or necessary for the foregoing projects or works or for the purposes of the district and to carry out the provisions of this section.

(d) In addition to the purchase of supplemental water for the groundwater supplies of the district from the water reserve fund

and from the replenishment fund, the board of directors may purchase water for the replenishment of the groundwater supplies of the district from the general fund upon the affirmative vote of at least eight members of the board of directors.

~~SEC. 271.~~

SEC. 261. Section 1 of Chapter 34 of the Statutes of 2006 is amended to read:

SECTION 1. (a) The sum of five hundred million dollars ($500,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Water Resources for levee evaluation and repair, and related work, and flood control system improvements.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 8550) of Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code, levee repairs for those critical levee erosion sites identified under Governor's Executive Order S-01-06 shall be made with funds appropriated pursuant to this section.

~~SEC. 272.~~

SEC. 262. Section 1 of Chapter 323 of the Statutes of 2006 is amended to read:

SECTION 1. The Legislature hereby finds and declares each of the following:

(a) The spread of certain harmful, nonnative species of plants causes enormous damage to the environment and economy of California.

(b) The destructive impact of invasive and often poisonous noxious weeds is profound, affecting California's cropland, rangeland, forests, parks, and wildlands.

(c) Enormous sums of private, state, and federal resources are lost through decreased land productivity, degradation of wildlife habitat, and outright destruction of crops, livestock, wetlands, waterways, watersheds, and recreational areas caused by noxious and invasive weeds.

(d) The estimated lost crop and forage productivity caused by invasive and noxious weeds is $33 billion nationwide, a large proportion of which is attributable to California.

(e) Noxious and invasive weeds have destroyed large portions of riparian habitat along creeks, streams, rivers, lakes, reservoirs, and other bodies of freshwater in California, damaging the integrity of riparian system by altering erosion, sedimentation, flooding, and fire.

(f) Proper noxious and invasive weed management in riparian habitats is critical to sustaining California's freshwater supply.

(g) The invasive weed Arundo donax (giant reed) has established large colonies across the state, most notably in southern California, where in one 10,000-acre area, the weed has been estimated to have consumed more than 30,000 acre-feet of water each year, or enough water to meet the yearly freshwater needs of 150,000 persons. Over one million dollars ($1,000,000) is spent annually on controlling Arundo in southern California.

(h) The invasive weed yellow star thistle has infested more than 20,000,000 acres, roughly 22 percent of the state, and is quickly expanding in the Sierra and into the Coastal Range, making it the most common invasive plant in California, choking out native plants and killing horses who eat its poisonous early season growth. Yellow star thistle consumes extra groundwater estimated to cost sixteen million dollars ($16,000,000) to seventy-five million dollars ($75,000,000) each year in the Sacramento River watershed alone.

(i) Tamarisk (saltcedar) trees, found along waterways throughout the arid west, including southern California, are estimated to cost between $133 billion and $292 billion nationally each year in lost water, flood control, hydropower, wildlife habitat, and recreation.

(j) California has a noxious weed management program for the purpose of managing and eradicating noxious weeds through specified local weed management areas. These programs to prevent, control, manage, and eradicate nonnative and noxious weeds have emphasized information sharing, education, and public awareness and participation as critical to the success of prevention, control, and eradication efforts.

(k) Local weed management groups have benefited greatly from the commitment of the state to fund weed eradication, and these weed management groups have been successful in identifying and eradicating invasive and noxious weed species in their regions.

(*l*) The California Noxious and Invasive Weed Action Plan, September 2005, calls for expanding funding for local weed management groups.

~~SEC. 273.~~

SEC. 263. Section 1 of Chapter 710 of the Statutes of 2006 is amended to read:

SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

(a) Tamarisk is a small tree or large shrub that was imported from Eastern Europe in the 1800s for use as windbreaks and erosion control.

(b) Tamarisk is spreading across the west, including covering hundreds of thousands of acres in the Colorado River Basin, almost entirely along waterways.

(c) Tamarisk easily out-competes native habitat, such as willows and cottonwoods, and has very little habitat value compared to native vegetation.

(d) Because of its delicate and expansive leaf structure, tamarisk on a per-acre basis takes up and evaporates substantially more water than native vegetation.

(e) Colorado River flows have been very low for the last six years because of increasing human uses and very low rainfall, and because tamarisk is taking up significantly more water than the native vegetation that it replaces.

(f) If low river flows continue, dwindling reservoir storage will be insufficient to continue historical levels of diversions and diversions will have to be curtailed, with substantial impacts to the economies of the seven states in the Colorado River watershed.

(g) Environmental mitigation and restoration programs, such as the lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program and environmental mitigation measures for the Quantification Settlement Agreement on the lower Colorado River, may include projects that will replace invasive exotic vegetation with native vegetation. The state supports the eradication of invasive species by the Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program and other programs and encourages cooperation with these programs to increase the available native wetland and riparian vegetation in the Colorado River watershed.

(h) The state seeks to encourage the federal government, basin states, and water agencies to develop a program to control or eradicate tamarisk within each state's jurisdiction.

(i) Controlling tamarisk in the Colorado River watershed entails a large and costly task, but if it is not undertaken, there will be significant economic and environmental consequences for California and the other basin states.

~~SEC. 274.~~

SEC. 264. Any section of any act enacted by the Legislature during the 2007 calendar year that takes effect on or before January

1, 2008, and that amends, amends and renumbers, adds, repeals and adds, or repeals a section that is amended, amended and renumbered, added, repealed and added, or repealed by this act, shall prevail over this act, whether that act is enacted prior to, or subsequent to, the enactment of this act. The repeal, or repeal and addition, of any article, chapter, part, title, or division of any code by this act shall not become operative if any section of any other act that is enacted by the Legislature during the 2007 calendar year and takes effect on or before January 1, 2008, amends, amends and renumbers, adds, repeals and adds, or repeals any section contained in that article, chapter, part, title, or division.

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