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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007—08 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 479

Introduced by Assembly Member DeVore

February 20, 2007

An act to add Section 8526 to the Government Code, relating to intellectual property.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 479, as amended, DeVore. Intellectual property: study.

Existing law permits various state agencies to enter into contracts and agreements, create liabilities, and develop, own, and control the use of intellectual property developed by the state.

Existing law establishes the Milton Marks "Little Hoover" Commission on California State Government Organization and Economy, a multimember body appointed by the Governor and the Legislature with various duties that include making recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature to promote efficiency in government operations.

This bill would ~~declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to require the Little Hoover Commission~~ *commission* to conduct a study to determine if 3rd-party review is necessary to ensure the proper assignment of intellectual property rights in connection with state-funded research conducted by universities, private companies, and other entities.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 8526 is added to the Government Code,
2 to read:
3 8526. ~~It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to~~
4 ~~require the~~The Milton Marks “Little Hoover” Commission on
5 California State Government Organization and Economy ~~to~~ shall
6 conduct a study to determine if third-party review is necessary to
7 ensure the proper assignment of intellectual property rights in
8 connection with state-funded research conducted by universities,
9 private companies, and other entities.

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