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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007–08 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1656

Introduced by Assembly Members Feuer and DeSaulnier

February 23, 2007

An act to add the heading of Article 1 (commencing with Section 60900) to, and to add Article 2 (commencing with Section 60905) to, Chapter 10 of Part 33 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Education Code, relating to pupil achievement.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1656, as amended, Feuer. Pupil achievement: California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System.

Existing law requires the State Department of Education to contract for the development of proposals that will provide for the retention and analysis of longitudinal pupil achievement data on the STAR Program, English language development tests, and the high school exit examination, known as the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System.

This bill would require the department to allocate specified funding, subject to funds being appropriated in the annual Budget Act, as part of a local data management support program, to-all local educational agencies and direct-funded charter schools that complete specified acts. Local educational agencies and direct-funded charter schools would be limited in the use of these funds-to for specified activities.

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

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

SECTION 1. The heading of Article 1 (commencing with Section 60900) is added to Chapter 10 of Part 33 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Education Code, to read:

Article 1. System Development

SEC. 2. Article 2 (commencing with Section 60905) is added to Chapter 10 of Part 33 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Education Code, to read:

Article 2. Local Data Management Support Program

- 60905. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:
- (a) The multibillion dollar kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, educational enterprise of California is held accountable based on data received from local educational agencies.
- (b) National and state educational reform efforts revolve around using data at both the state and local levels to better inform decisionmaking.
- (c) The feasibility study report developed pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 60900 found that poor quality data submitted by local educational agencies is a high impact risk to the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System.
- (d) The state desires more accurate graduation and dropout rates. The California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System can provide this information if local educational agencies *and direct-funded charter schools* provide quality data to the system through statewide pupil identifiers.
- 60906. It is the intent of the Legislature to support local educational agency data management activities to enhance the quality of the data that is used locally and submitted to meet state and federal reporting and accountability requirements.
- 60907. (a) In order to support the requirements specified in subdivision (e) of Section 60900, local educational agencies *and direct-funded charter schools* may receive a local data management support program annual grant, subject to funds being appropriated for this purpose in the annual Budget Act, as follows:

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(1) Local educational agencies and direct-funded charter schools with enrollment of between 251 *I* and 1,000 shall receive five thousand dollars (\$5,000) annually.

- (2) Local educational agencies *and direct-funded charter schools* with enrollment of 1,001 or greater shall receive at least five dollars (\$5) per pupil enrolled within the agency, based on the annual enrollment update for the prior year, as certified by the department.
 - (3) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:
- (A) "Direct-funded charter school" means a charter school that elects to receive its funding directly pursuant to Section 47651.
- (B) "Enrollment" means enrollment certified in the prior year for the California Basic Education Data System.
- (4) If funds appropriated in the annual Budget Act are insufficient to provide full funding to implement this section, the department shall prorate the rates specified in paragraphs (1) and (2).
- (b) The department shall allocate this funding annually to-all local educational agencies *and direct-funded charter schools* that do all of the following:
- (1) Submit an annual enrollment update, as defined by the Superintendent, by the deadline established by the Superintendent, in the fiscal year in which funds are allocated.

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(1) Resolve anomalies related to the statewide pupil identifier required by paragraph (5) of subdivision (e) of Section 60900 assigned to enrolled pupils in order to maintain a validity rate specified by the Superintendent.

(3)

(2) Include the statewide pupil identifier on the transcript of each pupil.

(4)

- (3) Maintain one generic electronic mail address for local data management or information technology directors or personnel in order to facilitate communication between the department and the appropriate personnel of the local educational agency.
- 60908. Local educational agencies and direct-funded charter schools shall use funds received pursuant to this article to support staff, hardware and software acquisitions, training, and other

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- 1 activities related to meeting the requirements specified in 2 subdivision (e) of Section 60900.