

Senate Bill No. 1607

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Secretary of the Senate

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Private Secretary of the Governor

CHAPTER _____

An act to add Section 33043 to the Education Code, relating to reading and language arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1607, Romero. Reading and language arts: framework.

Existing law requires the State Board of Education to adopt regulations concerning the development of curriculum frameworks and the adoption of instructional materials.

This bill would require the state board to include a chapter that provides for language and content instruction focusing particularly on those English learners who have been designated to be in the lowest 3 proficiency levels pursuant to the California English Language Development Test in the next revision cycle of the Reading/Language Arts framework and evaluation criteria.

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

SECTION 1. Section 33043 is added to the Education Code, to read:

33043. (a) The state board shall, in the next revision cycle of the Reading/Language Arts framework and evaluation criteria, include a chapter that provides for language and content instruction specific to English language learners focusing particularly on English language learners who have been designated to be in the lowest three proficiency levels pursuant to the California English Language Development Test.

(b) The chapter content shall include a comprehensive program of instructional materials in reading/language arts and English language development designed for English learners, be written in English, and aligned to the English language arts and English language development standards.

(c) The evaluation criteria and worksheets developed for the Reading/English Language Arts framework shall include the English language development standards approved by the state board pursuant to Section 60811, in addition to the English language arts standards.

(d) The development and inclusion of the chapter described in subdivisions (a) and (b) shall occur in 2013, when the Reading/English Language Arts/English Language Development framework and criteria are scheduled to be revised.

Approved _____, 2008

Governor