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ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1827

Introduced by Assembly Members Arambula and Solorio

February 11, 2010

An act to add and repeal Section 14236 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to workforce development.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1827, as amended, Arambula. Workforce development: one-stop career centers.

Existing law provides for the payment of unemployment compensation benefits to eligible unemployed persons during the period that the person is unemployed, and requires the Employment Development Department to implement and administer the unemployment compensation program. Existing law, the California Workforce Investment Act, declares that it is the intent of the Legislature to deliver comprehensive workforce services to job seekers, students, and employers through a system of one-stop career centers to, among other things, make job outreach, intake, job search and placement assistance, and other related services available in one location.

This bill would require the department, commencing on or before July 1, 2011, to provide unemployment insurance benefits assistance ~~at all in at least one comprehensive one-stop career centers and department workforce service offices center in each workforce area, as prescribed~~ *described in the Workforce Investment Act*. The bill would

require that the unemployment benefit assistance services required to be provided at these one-stop career centers and department workforce service offices be funded with existing moneys available to the department for the administration of the unemployment compensation program, as specified. These provisions would remain in effect through December 31, 2014.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 14236 is added to the Unemployment
2 Insurance Code, to read:

3 14236. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, commencing on
4 or before July 1, 2011, the department shall provide in-person
5 unemployment insurance benefits assistance ~~at all~~ *in at least one*
6 ~~comprehensive one-stop career centers and department workforce~~
7 ~~service offices~~ *center in each workforce area, as described in the*
8 *Workforce Investment Act*, as follows:

9 (1) The department shall ensure that customer service personnel
10 at those career centers and department workforce service offices
11 are fully trained regarding the policy, laws, and regulations
12 governing eligibility, claims processing, and procedures for the
13 payment of unemployment compensation benefits to eligible
14 individuals.

15 (2) Printed information regarding eligibility and the process for
16 filing claims for unemployment compensation benefits shall be
17 made available at those one-stop career centers and department
18 workforce service offices.

19 (b) The unemployment benefit assistance services required to
20 be provided at one-stop career centers and department workforce
21 service offices pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be funded with
22 existing moneys available to the department for the administration
23 of the unemployment insurance compensation program. The
24 department shall reallocate existing resources, including staff and
25 equipment to implement the assistance required to be provided
26 under this section. The department shall also work with the state's
27 one-stop career center partners to use existing resources and office
28 space in one-stop career centers and department workforce service
29 offices to accommodate customer service personnel.

1 (c) This section shall remain in effect only until the end of the
2 calendar day of December 31, 2014, and as of that date is repealed,
3 unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted on or before December
4 31, 2014, deletes or extends that date.

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