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SENATE BILL No. 307

Introduced by Senator Alquist

(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Lieu)

February 25, 2009

An act to add Section 52322.5 to the Education Code, relating to regional occupational centers or programs, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 307, as amended, Alquist. Regional occupational centers or programs.

(1) Existing law authorizes the establishment of regional occupational centers or programs to provide career technical education and technical training to students. Existing law provides a system for the funding of regional occupational centers or programs that includes a provision for the apportionment of state funds to these centers or programs.

This bill would require, commencing in from the 2009–10 fiscal year, in any to the 2012–13 fiscal year when a specified provision of existing law is not operative, inclusive, that a regional occupational center or program established and maintained by school districts as a joint powers agency receive its operating funds directly from the county office of education of the county in which it is located, in a manner that is consistent with the apportionments for those school districts that comprise the joint powers authority that are provided to the county office of education pursuant to the annual Budget Act.

The bill would authorize a joint powers agency receiving an apportionment for a school district pursuant to the bill to disburse those

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funds to the school district for which that apportionment was made. The bill would provide that nothing in its provisions would prevent any school district or county office of education from using funding received from a specified item of the annual Budget Act for any educational purpose.

(2) This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

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

SECTION 1. Section 52322.5 is added to the Education Code, to read:

52322.5. Commencing in the 2009–10 fiscal year, in any fiscal year when Section 52321 is not operative, a For the 2009–10 fiscal year to the 2012–13 fiscal year, inclusive, all of the following shall apply:

- (a) A regional occupational center or program established and maintained by school districts as a joint powers agency pursuant to Section 52301 shall receive its operating funds directly from the county office of education of the county in which it is located, in a manner that is consistent with the apportionments for those school districts that comprise the joint powers authority that are provided to the county office of education pursuant to the annual Budget Act.
- (b) Pursuant to its joint powers agreement, a joint powers agency receiving an apportionment for a school district pursuant to subdivision (a) may disburse those funds to the school district to which that apportionment was made.
- (c) Pursuant to Section 42605, nothing in this section shall prevent any school district or county office of education from using funding received from Item 6110-105-0001 of Section 2.00 of an annual Budget Act for any educational purpose.
- SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:
- In order to provide increased flexibility in the funding of regional occupational centers or programs, commencing with the beginning

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- 1 of the 2009–10 fiscal year, it is necessary that this act take effect 2 immediately.