

Assembly Bill No. 176

CHAPTER 58

An act to add Section 99155 to the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 176, Lara. Standardized testing: valid identification.

Existing law imposes various requirements on a test sponsor or test agency, as defined, with respect to the administration of standardized tests for purposes of postsecondary education.

Existing law provides that a test sponsor that intentionally violates these provisions is liable for a civil penalty not to exceed \$750 for each violation.

This bill would require a test sponsor to provide alternative methods to verify a test subject's identity and to clearly post on the test sponsor's Internet Web site contact information for test subjects who cannot provide the required identification and need further assistance. A violation of these requirements would subject a test sponsor to the above civil penalty. The bill would allow a test sponsor to require test subjects to obtain approval from the test sponsor in advance of the registration test deadline in order to be admitted to the test with an alternative form of identification.

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

SECTION 1. Section 99155 is added to the Education Code, to read:

99155. (a) A test sponsor shall provide alternative methods to verify the identity of those test subjects who are unable to provide the required identification for purposes of admitting a test subject to take a standardized test administered by the sponsor.

(b) A test sponsor shall clearly post on the test sponsor's Internet Web site contact information for test subjects who are unable to provide the required identification and who need further assistance.

(c) Test sponsors may require test subjects to obtain approval from the test sponsor in advance of the test registration deadline in order to be admitted to the test with an alternative form of identification.

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