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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1310

Introduced by Assembly Member Furutani

February 18, 2011

An act to add Section 14013.5 to the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1310, as amended, Furutani. Career technical education and workforce development.

Existing law establishes the California Workforce Investment Board as the body responsible for assisting the Governor in the development, oversight, and continuous improvement of California's workforce investment system. Existing law also establishes the Labor and Workforce Development Agency, which consists of the Office of the Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development, the Agricultural Labor Relations Board, the California Workforce Investment Board, the Department of Industrial Relations, and the Employment Development Department.

This bill would require the Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development, in conjunction with the California Workforce Investment Board, the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, the State Department of Education, and the California Postsecondary Education Commission, to develop a strategic plan, *requires required* to contain specified elements, for connecting the

delivery of education and workforce development. *The bill would authorize the Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development to commence the strategic plan only upon a determination by the Director of Finance that sufficient federal funds or private donations are available to the state to fully support the activities required for development of the strategic plan.*

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 14013.5 is added to the Unemployment
 2 Insurance Code, to read:
 3 14013.5. (a) The Secretary of Labor and Workforce
 4 Development, in conjunction with the California Workforce
 5 Investment Board, the Office of the Chancellor of the California
 6 Community Colleges, the State Department of Education, and the
 7 California Postsecondary Education Commission, shall develop a
 8 strategic plan for connecting the delivery of education and
 9 workforce development in the state. In cooperation with
 10 representatives from education, business, and labor organizations,
 11 the agencies shall make recommendations in the strategic plan that
 12 address the contribution of academic and career technical
 13 education, at all levels of education and workforce development.
 14 (b) The strategic plan shall include, but is not limited to, all of
 15 the following provisions:
 16 (1) How the state determines appropriate measures for evaluating
 17 and collecting data on future workforce needs.
 18 (2) The alignment of workforce needs with future postsecondary
 19 education programs and capacity at both the state and regional
 20 levels.
 21 (3) Strategies for fostering long-term improvements in workers’
 22 skills and knowledge.
 23 (4) Methods for closing the skills gap and strengthening the
 24 nexus between education and the workforce.
 25 (5) Appropriate measures for improving data collection on future
 26 workforce needs.
 27 (c) It is the intent of the Legislature that the secretary solicit
 28 input from K–12 and postsecondary education institutions, local
 29 workforce investment boards, regional occupational centers and

1 programs, adult school programs, and other appropriate
2 governmental entities in developing recommendations for the
3 strategic plan.

4 (d) The strategic plan shall be funded from the federal
5 Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. Sec. 2801 et seq.),
6 the federal Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education
7 Improvement Act of 2006 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 2301 et seq.), the federal
8 Wagner-Peyser Act (29 U.S.C. Sec. 49 et seq.), or other available
9 federal funds for workforce development, or from philanthropic
10 sources.

11 (e) *The Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development may*
12 *commence the strategic plan pursuant to this article only if the*
13 *Director of Finance determines that sufficient federal funds or*
14 *private donations are available to the state to fully support the*
15 *activities required for development of the strategic plan.*

16 (e)

17 (f) For purposes of this section, “board” means the California
18 Workforce Investment Board.