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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2131

Introduced by Assembly Member Olsen
(Principal coauthor: ~~Senator Cannella~~)
(Coauthor: *Assembly Member Gordon*)

February 23, 2012

An act to amend ~~Section 53601~~ *Sections 27000.8 and 27000.9* of the Government Code, relating to local government.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2131, as amended, Olsen. Local government: ~~investments; tax collectors; continuing education.~~

Existing law requires a county treasurer, whether elected or appointed, to complete a valid continuing course of study, on or before June 30 of each 2-year period, and to provide certification of completion of that course to the Controller. The continuing education program is required to consist of, at a minimum, 24 hours or an equivalent amount of continuing education units within the discipline of treasury management, public finance, public administration, governmental accounting, or directly related subjects, as specified.

This bill would additionally require the continuing education course to include tax collection in the continuing education disciplines described above.

~~Existing law authorizes the legislative body of a local agency, as defined, that has a sinking fund or moneys in its treasury that is not required for immediate needs to invest in specified investments, including, among other things, United States Treasury notes, bonds,~~

~~bills, or certificates of indebtedness, and bonds issued by the local agency.~~

~~This bill would authorize the legislative body of a city, county, or city and county to invest up to 5% of the city, county, or city and county’s aggregate investment funds in Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) bonds or projects financed with PACE bonds.~~

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

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

1 SECTION 1. *Section 27000.8 of the Government Code is*
2 *amended to read:*

3 27000.8. Any duly elected county treasurer, county tax
4 collector, or county treasurer-tax collector serving in that office
5 on January 1, 1996, may serve for his or her remaining term of
6 office during which period of time the requirements of this section
7 shall not apply. After the election of a county treasurer, county tax
8 collector, or county treasurer-tax collector to office, that person
9 shall complete a valid continuing course of study as prescribed in
10 this section, and shall during the person’s four-year term of office
11 on or before June 30 of the fourth year, render to the State
12 Controller a certification indicating that the person has successfully
13 completed a continuing education program consisting of, at a
14 minimum, 48 hours, or an equivalent amount of continuing
15 education units within the discipline of treasury management, *tax*
16 *collection*, public finance, public administration, governmental
17 accounting, or directly related subjects, offered by a recognized
18 state or national association, institute, or accredited college or
19 university, or the California Debt and Investment Advisory
20 Commission, that provides the requisite educational programs
21 prescribed in this section. The willful or negligent failure of any
22 elected county treasurer, county tax collector, or county
23 treasurer-tax collector to comply with the requirements of this
24 section shall be deemed a violation of this section.

25 SEC. 2. *Section 27000.9 of the Government Code is amended*
26 *to read:*

27 27000.9. Notwithstanding any other requirement of law, any
28 duly appointed county officer serving in the capacity of county
29 treasurer, county tax collector, or county treasurer-tax collector

1 shall, beginning in 2000, complete a valid continuing course of
2 study as prescribed in this section, and shall, on or before June 30
3 of each two-year period, render to the—State Controller, a
4 certification indicating that the county officer has successfully
5 completed a continuing education program consisting of, at a
6 minimum, 24 hours or an equivalent amount of continuing
7 education units within the discipline of treasury management, *tax*
8 *collection*, public finance, public administration, governmental
9 accounting, or directly related subjects, offered by a recognized
10 state or national association, institute, or accredited college or
11 university, or the California Debt and Investment Advisory
12 Commission, that provides the requisite educational programs
13 prescribed in this section. The willful or negligent failure of any
14 county officer serving in the capacity of county treasurer, county
15 tax collector, or county treasurer-tax collector to comply with the
16 requirements of this section shall be deemed a violation of this
17 section.

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**All matter omitted in this version of the bill
appears in the bill as introduced in the
Assembly, February 23, 2012. (JR11)**