

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2172**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Buchanan**

February 23, 2012

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An act to amend Section 8974 of the Education Code, relating to education programs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2172, as introduced, Buchanan. Education programs: early primary programs.

Existing law requires school districts that establish early primary programs to provide educational continuity from preschool through kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, as specified.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

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 8974 of the Education Code is amended
- 2 to read:
- 3 8974. ~~School districts~~ *A school district* with an early primary
- 4 ~~programs~~ *program* shall provide educational continuity from
- 5 preschool through kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, by
- 6 accomplishing the following:
- 7 (a) Establish connections with public preschool programs,
- 8 including state preschool, state child development, and federal

- 1 Head Start programs, to establish a more effective transition of
- 2 children from preschool to kindergarten.
- 3 (b) Promote connections among early primary programs that
- 4 provide before- and after-school services.
- 5 (c) Promote joint activities for teachers and administrators of
- 6 public preschool programs, including state preschool, state child
- 7 development, and federal Head Start, and kindergarten and grades
- 8 1 to 3, inclusive, in areas such as program planning and staff
- 9 development training related to developmentally appropriate
- 10 curriculum and assessment practices for young children.