

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 20, 2012

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2202**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Block**

February 23, 2012

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An act to add Section 66017.5 to the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2202, as amended, Block. Postsecondary education: expanding access.

Existing law establishes the segments of the postsecondary education system in the state, including independent institutions of higher education, the University of California, administered by the Regents of the University of California, the California State University, administered by the Trustees of the California State University, and the California Community Colleges, administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

This bill would require the Legislative Analyst's Office to conduct a study that considers specified things and make recommendations ~~concerning~~ *regarding* opportunities for expanding access to postsecondary education in underserved areas. The bill would require the Legislative Analyst's Office to submit its report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2014.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 66017.5 is added to the Education Code,  
2 to read:  
3 66017.5. The Legislative Analyst’s Office shall conduct a study  
4 and make recommendations ~~concerning~~ *regarding* opportunities  
5 for expanding access to postsecondary education in underserved  
6 areas. The study shall consider expansion of distance education,  
7 the establishment of off-campus centers and new campuses,  
8 regional partnerships with existing postsecondary education  
9 providers, local admissions guarantees, and other strategies the  
10 Legislative Analyst’s Office finds to have merit. The Legislative  
11 Analyst’s Office shall submit its report to the Legislature on or  
12 before January 1, 2014.

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