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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2246

Introduced by Assembly Member John A. Pérez

February 24, 2012

An act to amend Section 104661 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to public health.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2246, as amended, John A. Pérez. Public health: food access.

Existing law establishes, until July 1, 2017, the California Healthy Food Financing Initiative to expand access to nutritious foods in underserved, urban, and rural communities. Existing law establishes the California Healthy Food Financing Initiative Council and requires the council to implement the initiative. Existing law requires the council, among other things, to develop financing options using public or private moneys and resources to support access to healthy foods.

This bill would require the council, ~~by March 31, 2013,~~ to establish and maintain an Internet Web site ~~with~~. *This bill would require the Internet Web site, by March 31, 2013, to include, but not be limited to,* prescribed information, including information on actions that the council has taken and funding sources that are available to support access to healthy foods.

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 104661 of the Health and Safety Code
2 is amended to read:
3 104661. (a) There is hereby created the California Healthy
4 Food Financing Initiative Council, within the office of the
5 Treasurer, which shall consist of the following members:
6 (1) The Treasurer or his or her designee.
7 (2) The Secretary of Food and Agriculture or his or her designee.
8 (3) The Secretary of California Health and Human Services or
9 his or her designee.
10 (4) The Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development or his
11 or her designee.
12 (b) The council shall implement the California Healthy Food
13 Financing Initiative (CHFFI) and shall be chaired by the Treasurer
14 or his or her designee. This initiative is intended to expand access
15 to nutritious foods in underserved, urban, and rural communities
16 and to eliminate food deserts in California.
17 (c) The council shall have all of the following duties:
18 (1) Developing financing options, using public or private
19 moneys and resources, to support access to healthy foods for all
20 Californians.
21 (2) Developing program parameters, including, but not limited
22 to, all of the following:
23 (A) Defining eligible entities for participation.
24 (B) Developing minimum eligibility thresholds for participation.
25 (C) Establishing minimum and maximum levels of financial
26 assistance.
27 (3) Partnering with federal, state, or local government agencies,
28 nonprofit organizations, and philanthropic programs to further the
29 purposes of the initiative.
30 (4) Reviewing recommendations of the advisory group
31 established pursuant to Section 104662.
32 (5) Providing updates to the Legislature as requested.
33 (d) The council shall adopt all rules and regulations necessary
34 to implement the initiative.
35 (e) The council shall establish, ~~by March 31, 2013,~~ and maintain
36 an Internet Web site. The Internet Web site shall, *by March 31,*
37 *2013,* include, but not be limited to, the following information:
38 (1) Actions taken by the council.

1 (2) Funding sources that are available to support access to
2 healthy foods, including loans and grants from public, private, or
3 philanthropic sources, and how to obtain these sources of funding.

4 (3) Interagency activities among the office of the Treasurer, the
5 Department of Food and Agriculture, the California Health and
6 Human Services Agency, and the Labor and Workforce
7 Development Agency that focus on benefiting underserved
8 communities and increasing access to healthy foods.

9 (4) Resources and links to other Internet Web sites with
10 information on food deserts and increasing access to healthy foods.

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