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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2309**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Hill**  
**(Coauthor: Assembly Member Beall)**

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An act to add and repeal Article 7 (commencing with Section 79220) of Chapter 9 of Part 48 of Division 7 of Title 3 of the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2309, as amended, Hill. Community colleges: San Mateo Innovation Center Pilot Program.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, as one of the segments of public postsecondary education in this state. Existing law establishes community college districts, administered by a governing board, throughout the state, and authorizes these districts to provide instruction to students at the community college campuses maintained by the districts.

This bill would authorize the San Mateo County Community College District to partner with the *San Mateo Area Chamber of Commerce on the Economic Development and Growth Enterprise* to establish initiative to evaluate a public-private partnership model through the establishment of the San Mateo Innovation Center Pilot Program, which would be designed to accomplish specified objectives relating to business development and job creation. ~~The~~ *If they agree to establish a pilot*

*program, the bill would require the San Mateo Area Chamber of Commerce to enter into a partnership agreement with the San Mateo County Community College District, which would be required to do specified things for the purpose of implementing the pilot program. Upon completion of the pilot program, the bill would require a specified entity to prepare a written summary that would be posted on the Economic Development and Growth Enterprise’s Internet Web site, as specified.*

The bill would provide that the pilot program only would be operative if the Legislature appropriates funds expressly for purposes of this article bill, or if sufficient private funding is received, whichever comes first. The bill would repeal the pilot program on January 1, 2016.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the San Mateo County Community College District.

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. Article 7 (commencing with Section 79220) is  
2 added to Chapter 9 of Part 48 of Division 7 of Title 3 of the  
3 Education Code, to read:

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5 Article 7. San Mateo Innovation Center Pilot Program

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7 79220. (a) The San Mateo County Community College  
8 District may partner with *the San Mateo Area Chamber of*  
9 *Commerce on the Economic Development and Growth Enterprise*  
10 ~~to establish~~ *initiative to evaluate a public-private partnership*  
11 *model through the establishment of the San Mateo Innovation*  
12 *Center Pilot Program, which shall be designed to accomplish all*  
13 *of the following objectives:*

14 (a)  
15 (1) Promote business development and job creation by helping  
16 early stage business ventures with new ideas to either find early  
17 stage funding or to reach the point of operating stability.

18 (b)  
19 (2) Leverage the underutilized infrastructure and nascent  
20 entrepreneurship programs of the community college system to

1 sponsor programs that encourage and reward creativity,  
2 collaboration, and innovation.

3 (e)

4 (3) Recruit and coordinate businesses and investors from the  
5 local community to provide funding, sponsorships, and internships.

6 (b) *The San Mateo Area Chamber of Commerce shall enter into*  
7 *a partnership agreement with the San Mateo County Community*  
8 *College District for the purpose of implementing this article if they*  
9 *agree to establish a pilot program. The agreement shall, at a*  
10 *minimum, do all of the following:*

11 (1) *Identify the administration and management structure of*  
12 *the pilot program.*

13 (2) *Define the scope of the pilot program.*

14 (3) *Set the beginning, end, and other strategic dates of the pilot*  
15 *program for the purpose of evaluating the public-private*  
16 *partnership model.*

17 (4) *Identify the process that will be used, and the key*  
18 *stakeholders who will be engaged, in the development, testing,*  
19 *and refining of the public-private partnership model.*

20 (5) *Identify entities to be responsible for preparing the written*  
21 *summary required pursuant to subdivision (c).*

22 (6) *Identify financial and in-kind contributions each party makes*  
23 *to the pilot program.*

24 (c) *Upon the completion of the pilot program, the entity*  
25 *identified pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) shall do*  
26 *both of the following:*

27 (1) *Prepare a written summary of findings and recommendations*  
28 *for, and a description of, the public-private partnership model to*  
29 *be posted on the Economic Development and Growth Enterprise's*  
30 *Internet Web site.*

31 (2) *Within 30 days of the information being posted pursuant to*  
32 *paragraph (1), provide letters to the Dean of the California*  
33 *Community Colleges' Economic and Workforce Development*  
34 *Program, the Director of the Governor's Office of Business and*  
35 *Economic Development, and the relevant policy committees of the*  
36 *Legislature notifying them of the posting.*

37 79221. This article shall be operative only if the Legislature  
38 appropriates funds expressly for purposes of this article, or if  
39 sufficient private funding is received by *the Economic Development*  
40 *and Growth Enterprise*, whichever comes first.

1 79222. This article shall remain in effect only until January 1,  
2 2016, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,  
3 that is enacted before January 1, 2016, deletes or extends that date.

4 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special law  
5 is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable  
6 within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California  
7 Constitution because of the need to create a temporary pilot  
8 program to promote business development and job creation in a  
9 community college district that offers a business friendly  
10 environment and special entrepreneurial curricula.

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