

Introduced by Senator CalderonFebruary 17, 2011

An act to amend Section 66057 of the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 483, as introduced, Calderon. The University of California and the California State University: summer session fees.

Existing law, the Donohoe Higher Education Act, establishes the 3 segments of public postsecondary education in this state. These segments include the California State University, administered by the Trustees of the California State University, the University of California, administered by the Regents of the University of California, and the California Community Colleges, administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. A provision of the act applies to the University of California only to the extent that the regents, by resolution, make that provision applicable.

Existing law prohibits summer session fees at all campuses of the University of California and the California State University from exceeding the fees charged per credit unit for any other academic term, if the state provides funding to offset any revenue losses that may occur due to the difference between the state university fee and fees charged for self-supporting academic programs.

This bill would instead prohibit summer session fees at all campuses of the University of California and the California State University from exceeding the fees charged per credit unit for any other academic term except for courses that are offered solely for the purpose of career enhancement or job training and are not offered for credit towards a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree.

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. The Legislature hereby finds and declares that
2 the amendment made by this act to Section 66057 of the Education
3 Code is technical, and is a clarification of, not a change in, existing
4 law.

5 SEC. 2. Section 66057 of the Education Code is amended to
6 read:

7 66057. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the
8 following:

9 (1) The future economic vitality of California will depend on
10 the state’s ability to educate its citizens and to help them develop
11 the work and social skills needed to compete with workers of other
12 nations and states in our global economy.

13 (2) Ensuring that California’s colleges and universities can
14 accommodate a tidal wave of new students, as well as enable those
15 from diverse backgrounds to achieve success in their college
16 careers, will require a variety of strategies.

17 (3) The Legislative Analyst’s Office (LAO) has reported that
18 most campuses of the University of California, the California State
19 University, and the California Community Colleges will soon
20 exceed their current capacities.

21 (4) The LAO has identified year-round operation as a
22 cost-efficient strategy to address future enrollment growth, by
23 avoiding capital expenditure for instructional space, such as
24 classrooms, class laboratories, study space in libraries, and other
25 selected student support service facilities.

26 (5) Year-round operation also increases student access to high
27 demand campuses, and allows students to accelerate their progress
28 to degrees.

29 (6) (A) It is the intent of the Legislature that the University of
30 California and the California State University accommodate
31 enrollment growth by maximizing the utilization of existing
32 instructional facilities during the summer term before building
33 new classrooms and teaching laboratories. It is further the intent
34 of the Legislature that the University of California and the
35 California State University make requests for capital outlay funding

1 for space for classrooms and class laboratories justified using
2 legislatively approved utilization standards and a reasonable
3 assumption of summer-term enrollment.

4 (B) Accordingly, the University of California is requested to
5 base its annual five-year capital outlay plan on the utilization of
6 instructional facilities during the summer, assuming summer-term
7 enrollment of at least 40 percent of the average fall, winter, and
8 spring enrollment.

9 (C) The California State University is requested to base its
10 annual five-year capital outlay plan on utilization of instructional
11 facilities during the summer, assuming summer-term enrollment
12 of at least 25 percent and 40 percent of the fall, winter, spring
13 enrollment at rural and urban campuses, respectively.

14 (b) Summer session fees at all campuses of the University of
15 California and the California State University shall not exceed the
16 fees charged per credit unit for any other academic term, ~~if the~~
17 ~~state provides funding to offset any revenue losses that may occur~~
18 ~~due to the difference between the state university fee and fees~~
19 ~~charged for self-supporting academic programs~~ *except for courses*
20 *that are offered solely for the purpose of career enhancement or*
21 *job training and are not offered for credit towards a bachelor's,*
22 *master's, or doctoral degree.*

23 (c) In recognition of the differing circumstances on the various
24 campuses throughout the state, the University of California and
25 the California State University shall retain the flexibility to
26 implement year-round operation differently on individual
27 campuses.

28 (d) On or before January 10 of each year, the University of
29 California is requested to, and the California State University shall,
30 submit to the Legislature a report describing summer enrollment
31 for their respective systems. The report shall include all of the
32 following information separately for each campus in the system:

33 (1) The number of state-funded headcount students enrolled
34 during the summer term of the preceding calendar year and, for
35 comparison purposes, the year-average number of state-funded
36 headcount students enrolled during the preceding fall, winter, and
37 spring terms.

38 (2) The number of state-funded full-time equivalent students
39 enrolled during the summer term of the preceding calendar year
40 and, for comparison purposes, the number of year-average

- 1 state-funded full-time equivalent students enrolled during the
- 2 preceding fall, winter, and spring terms.
- 3 (3) Efforts undertaken to increase summer enrollment.

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