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SENATE BILL

No. 629

Introduced by Senator Lowenthal

February 18, 2011

An act to amend Section 71092 of the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 629, as amended, Lowenthal. Public postsecondary education: California Community Colleges.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, which are administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. Existing law requires the board to employ and fix the compensation, in accordance with law, of assistants, clerical, and other employees as it deems necessary for the effective conduct of the work of the board and the chancellor's office.

This bill would authorize the board to appoint an individual without permanent civil service status to a position classified as a career executive assignment, for the positions of vice chancellor or assistant vice chancellor, if the individual has a minimum of 5 years of specified work experience, *previously held permanent status in the civil service, was employed by the Legislature for 2 or more consecutive years, or held for 2 or more consecutive years one or more nonelected exempt positions in the executive branch.*

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 71092 of the Education Code is amended
 2 to read:

3 71092. (a) The board of governors shall employ and fix the
 4 compensation, in accordance with law, of assistants, clerical, and
 5 other employees as it deems necessary for the effective conduct
 6 of the work of the board and the chancellor’s office.

7 (b) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the board
 8 of governors ~~shall have the authority to~~ *may* appoint a person
 9 without permanent civil service status to a position classified as a
 10 career executive assignment, for the positions of vice chancellor
 11 or assistant vice chancellor, if the person ~~has~~ *meets any of the*
 12 *following:*

13 (A) *Has a minimum of five years of work experience in any of*
 14 *the following:*

15 ~~(1)~~

16 (i) *A local community college.*

17 ~~(2)~~

18 (ii) *A higher education policy position.*

19 ~~(3)~~

20 (iii) *A technical or occupational capacity for which there is a*
 21 *shortage of qualified workers.*

22 (B) *Previously held permanent status in the civil service.*

23 (C) *Was employed by the Legislature for two or more*
 24 *consecutive years.*

25 (D) *Held for two or more consecutive years one or more*
 26 *nonelected exempt positions in the executive branch.*

27 (2) *This subdivision does not limit the application of any law*
 28 *applicable to career executive assignments, including the*
 29 *provisions of the Government Code and rules of the State Personnel*
 30 *Board, except as to authorize the appointments described in this*
 31 *subdivision.*

32 (c) Notwithstanding Section 19849.5 of the Government Code,
 33 the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges
 34 shall designate the headquarters for each of its employees, except
 35 as provided in Section 71004.

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