

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 79

Introduced by Assembly Member Bocanegra

August 27, 2013

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 79—Relative to classified school employees.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 79, as introduced, Bocanegra. Classified school employees.

This measure would recognize the important role that classified school employees play in California's public schools and community colleges, and that they deserve fair and consistent working conditions, including access to unemployment benefits.

Fiscal committee: yes.

1 WHEREAS, There are approximately 250,000 noncertified,
2 classified school employees throughout the state; and

3 WHEREAS, Classified school employees perform a wide range
4 of vital services in California's public schools and community
5 colleges, including, among others, security, food services, office
6 and clerical work, school maintenance and operations,
7 transportation, academic assistance, and paraeducator services;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Classified school employees are generally hourly
10 employees, and are not paid over a 12-month period; and

11 WHEREAS, Many classified school employees find the months
12 between academic years to be a time of financial hardship; and

13 WHEREAS, During these breaks in employment, thousands of
14 classified school employees experience financial stress, struggle

1 to support their families, and find it difficult to make long-term
2 financial decisions; and

3 WHEREAS, There are distinctive eligibility requirements placed
4 on classified school employees that are not placed on similar
5 employees; and

6 WHEREAS, These distinctions mean that other employees who
7 work on a seasonal or temporary basis are eligible for
8 unemployment benefits while they are temporarily unemployed,
9 even when they return to work for their same employer; now,
10 therefore, be it

11 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
12 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature recognizes that classified
13 school employees play an important role in California's public
14 schools and community colleges, and that they deserve fair and
15 consistent working conditions, including access to unemployment
16 benefits; and be it further

17 *Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
18 of this resolution to the Employment Development Department
19 and to the author for appropriate distribution.