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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013-14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 806

Introduced by Assembly Member Wilk (Coauthor: Assembly Member Fox)

February 21, 2013

An act to amend Section 84362 of, and to add Section 84363 to, the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 806, as amended, Wilk. Community colleges: salaries of classroom instructors.

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 throughout the state, and authorizes these districts to provide instruction at community college campuses. Existing law requires that 50% of each district's current expense of education, as defined, be expended for payment of salaries of classroom instructors, as defined. Existing law requires the governing board of each district to provide for an internal audit in accordance with regulations of the board of governors.

This bill would define "salaries of classroom instructors," commencing with the 2014–15 fiscal year, to include, by reference to the Budget and Accounting Manual for California Community Colleges, academic salaries, as defined, including the salaries of counselors; instructional

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aide salaries, as defined; and the health and welfare benefits paid to specified personnel. The bill would also authorize the board of governors, commencing with the 2014–15 fiscal year, to establish a committee to review the auditing procedures in order to ensure compliance with the requirement that 50% of each district's current expense of education be paid for the salaries of classroom instructors.

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 84362 of the Education Code is amended 2 to read:

3 84362. (a) As used in this section, "salaries of classroom 4 instructors" means: expenditures included in object-of-expenditure classification 1000 for academic salaries, expenditures included in object-of-expenditure classifications 2200 and 2400 for classified salaries that are paid to each instructional aide employed by the district where any portion of their duties are required to be performed under the supervision of an instructor, and the health 10 and welfare benefits provided to personnel identified in 11 object-of-expenditure classifications 1000, 2200, and 2400, of the Budget and Accounting Manual for California Community 12 13 Colleges, except for educational-administrators administrators' salaries and benefits as defined in subdivision (b). 14 15

- (b) As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings:
- (1) "Academic salaries" means expenditures for salaries of employees in academic positions that require minimum qualifications established by the board of governors.
- (2) "Educational administrators salaries and benefits" means expenditures for salaries and health and welfare benefits of administrators who are employed in an academic position designated by the governing board of the district as having direct responsibility for supervising the operation of or formulating policy regarding the instructional or student services program of the college or district. Educational administrators include, but are not limited to, chancellors, presidents, and other supervisory or management employees designated by the governing board as educational administrators.

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(3) "Instructional aide salaries" means expenditures for salaries of classified employees where any portion of their duties is required to be performed under the supervision of an academic employee providing classroom instruction.

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(c) As used in this section, "current expense of education" means the gross total expended (not reduced by estimated income or estimated federal and state apportionments) for the purposes classified in the final budget of a district (except one which, during the preceding fiscal year, had less than 101 units of full-time equivalent students) for academic salaries other than academic salaries for student transportation, food services, and community services; classified salaries other than classified salaries for student transportation, food services, and community services; employee benefits other than employee benefits for student transportation personnel, food services personnel, and community services personnel; books, supplies, and equipment replacement other than for student transportation and food services; and community services, contracted services, and other operating expenses other than for student transportation, food services, and community services. "Current expense of education," for purposes of this section, shall not include those expenditures classified as sites, buildings, books, and media and new equipment (object-of-expenditure classification 6000 of the Budget and Accounting Manual for California Community Colleges), the amount expended from categorical aid received from the federal or state government which funds were granted for expenditures in a program not incurring any instructor salary expenditures or requiring disbursement of the funds without regard to the requirements of this section, or expenditures for facility acquisition and construction; and shall not include the amount expended pursuant to any lease agreement for plant and equipment or the amount expended from funds received from the federal government pursuant to the "Economic Opportunity Act of 1964" or any extension of that act of Congress or the amount expended by a community college from state or federal funds received by the community college for grants to community college students or for the employment of community college students.

(d) There shall be expended during each fiscal year for payment of salaries of classroom instructors by a community college district, 50 percent of the district's current expense of education.

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- (e) If the board of governors determines that a district has not expended the applicable percentage of current expense of education for the payment of salaries of classroom instructors during the preceding fiscal year, the board shall, in apportionments made to the district from the State School Fund after April 15 of the current fiscal year, designate an amount of the apportionment or apportionments equal to the apparent deficiency in district expenditures. Any amount so designated by the board of governors shall be deposited in the county treasury to the credit of the community college district, but shall be unavailable for expenditure by the district pending the determination to be made by the board of governors on any application for exemption which may be submitted to the board of governors. In the event it appears to the governing board of a community college district that the application of the preceding subdivisions during a fiscal year results in serious hardship to the district, or in the payment of salaries of classroom instructors in excess of the salaries of classroom instructors paid by other districts of comparable type and functioning under comparable conditions, the governing board may apply to the board of governors, in writing, not later than September 15 of the immediately succeeding fiscal year for exemption from the requirements of this section.
- (f) Immediately upon applying for the exemption described in subdivision (e), the governing board shall provide the exclusive representative of the district's academic employees or, if none exists, the district or college academic senate, and all academic employee organizations eligible for payroll dues deduction, with a copy of the application. The exclusive representative, or the district or college academic senate, and all academic employee organizations eligible for payroll dues deduction, within 30 days of its receipt of the application, may transmit to the board of governors a written statement opposing the application, setting forth reasons for its opposition.
- (g) Upon receipt of the application described in subdivision (f), duly approved, and of the statement of opposition, if any, the board of governors shall grant the district exemption for any amount that is less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000). If the amount is one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more, the board of governors may grant the district exemption from the requirement for the fiscal year for which the application is made if a majority of all the

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members of the board of governors finds, in writing, that the district will in fact suffer serious hardship or will have to pay salaries of classroom instructors in excess of those paid by other districts of comparable type and functioning under comparable conditions unless the district is granted an exemption. If the exemption is granted, the designated moneys shall be immediately available for expenditure by the community college district governing board. If no application for exemption is made or exemption is denied, the board of governors shall order the designated amount or amount not exempted to be added to the amounts to be expended for salaries of classroom instructors during the next fiscal year.

- (h) The board of governors shall enforce the requirements prescribed by this section, and may adopt necessary rules and regulations to that end. It may require the submission during the college year, by community college district governing boards and county superintendents of schools, of the reports and information as may be necessary to carry out this section.
- (i) The board of governors, no later than the 10th calendar day of each year of the Legislature, shall submit to the Legislature a written report on the operation, effect, and the extent of compliance with this section by community college districts in the state during the two most recently ended fiscal years. The report shall describe the activities of the board of governors and the chancellor's office, undertaken to ensure compliance with this section, and may contain recommendations for legislation pertaining to that subject.
- SEC. 2. Section 84363 is added to the Education Code, to read: 84363. (a) The board of governors may establish a committee to review the auditing procedures adopted pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 84030) to develop ways to ensure compliance with the requirement of subdivision (d) of Section 84362 that 50 percent of each district's current expense of education be paid for the salaries of classroom instructors. The membership of the committee shall be as follows:
 - (1) The Chancellor of the California Community Colleges.
- (2) One certified public accountant, to be selected by the board, who is licensed by the California Board of Accountants and has prepared an annual audit pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 84040.
- 39 (3) One exclusive representative of classified employees of a district, to be selected by the board.

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1 (4) One district administrator, to be selected by the board.

- 2 (b) The committee shall review local district auditing procedures and recommend to the board any changes to the procedures published in the California Community Colleges Budget and Accounting Manual that may be necessary to achieve the current expense of education requirements contained in subdivision (d)
- 6 expense of education requirements contained in subdivision (d) 7 of Section 84362.
- 8 SEC. 3. Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall become operative on 9 July 1, 2014.