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ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1557

Introduced by Assembly Member Holden
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An act to amend Section 71000 of the Education Code, relating to community colleges.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1557, as amended, Holden. Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges: student member.

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. The board of governors consists of 16 voting members, which include *12 members, each appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the membership of the Senate to 6-year staggered terms*, one voting student member ~~and~~, one nonvoting student member, *and 2 tenured faculty members, as specified.*

This bill would *require, commencing with the first specified vacancy after the operative date of the bill, the appointment of at least one voting member among the 12 discussed above who is a member or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States and who has demonstrated expertise and leadership in the field of veterans' affairs.* The bill would also add to the board of governors one voting student

member who is a member or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States. ~~The bill would also add one voting member who is a member or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States who has demonstrated expertise and leadership in the field of veterans' affairs.~~

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 71000 of the Education Code is amended
2 to read:

3 71000. There is in the state government a Board of Governors
4 of the California Community Colleges, consisting of ~~18~~ 17 voting
5 members and one nonvoting member, as follows:

6 (a) (1) Twelve members, each appointed by the Governor with
7 the advice and consent of two-thirds of the membership of the
8 Senate to six-year staggered terms. ~~Two~~

9 (2) ~~Two of these~~ *the 12* members shall be current or former
10 elected members of local community college district governing
11 boards.

12 (3) *Commencing with the first vacancy after the operative date*
13 *of the bill adding this paragraph that is not filled pursuant to*
14 *paragraph (2), at least one of the 12 members shall be a member*
15 *or former member of the Armed Forces of the United States, as*
16 *defined in subdivision (e) of Section 66025.8, who has*
17 *demonstrated expertise and leadership in the field of veterans'*
18 *affairs.*

19 (b) (1) (A) (i) One voting student member and one nonvoting
20 student member, who exercise their duties in accordance with the
21 procedure set forth in paragraph (3).

22 (ii) One voting student member who is a member or former
23 member of the Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in
24 subdivision (e) of Section 66025.8. For a voting student member
25 appointed pursuant to this clause, all of the following apply:

26 (I) For the purposes of subclauses (II), (III), and (IV), a
27 "member" means a voting student member appointed pursuant to
28 this clause.

1 (II) A member may exercise the same privileges of a voting
2 student member serving a second year term appointed pursuant to
3 clause (i).

4 (III) If a member resigns or the office is otherwise vacant, a
5 voting student member who is a member or former member of the
6 Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in subdivision (e)
7 of Section 66025.8, and who meets the requirements of
8 subparagraph (B) shall be appointed by the Governor pursuant to
9 subparagraph (C).

10 (IV) A member is exempt from paragraphs (2) and (4), and
11 exempt from paragraph (3), except as provided by subclause (II).

12 (B) A student member shall be enrolled in a community college
13 with a minimum of five semester units, or its equivalent, at the
14 time of the appointment and throughout the period of his or her
15 term, or until a replacement has been named. A student member
16 shall be enrolled in a community college at least one semester
17 before his or her appointment, and shall meet and maintain the
18 minimum standards of scholarship prescribed for community
19 college students.

20 (C) Each student member shall be appointed by the Governor
21 from a list of names of at least three eligible persons submitted to
22 the Governor by the student organization recognized by the board
23 of governors.

24 (2) The term of office of one student member of the board shall
25 commence on July 1 of an even-numbered year, and expire on
26 June 30 two years thereafter. The term of office of the other student
27 member of the board shall commence on July 1 of an
28 odd-numbered year, and expire on June 30 two years thereafter.
29 Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a student member who graduates
30 from his or her college on or after January 1 of the second year of
31 his or her term of office may serve the remainder of the term.

32 (3) During the first year of a student member's term, a student
33 member shall be a member of the board and may attend all
34 meetings of the board and its committees. At these meetings, a
35 student member may fully participate in discussion and debate,
36 but shall not vote. During the second year of a student member's
37 term, a student member may exercise the same right to attend
38 meetings of the board, and its committees, and shall have the same
39 right to vote as the members appointed pursuant to subdivisions
40 (a) and (c).

1 (4) Notwithstanding paragraph (3), if a student member resigns
 2 from office or a vacancy is otherwise created in that office during
 3 the second year of a student member’s term, the remaining student
 4 member shall immediately assume the office created by the vacancy
 5 and all of the participation privileges of the second-year student
 6 member, including the right to vote, for the remainder of that term
 7 of office.

8 (c) Two voting tenured faculty members from a community
 9 college, who shall be appointed by the Governor for two-year
 10 terms. The Governor shall appoint each faculty member from a
 11 list of names of at least three eligible persons furnished by the
 12 Academic Senate of the California Community Colleges. Each
 13 seat designated as a tenured faculty member seat shall be filled by
 14 a tenured faculty member from a community college pursuant to
 15 this section and Section 71003.

16 (d) One voting classified employee, who shall be appointed by
 17 the Governor for a two-year term. The Governor shall appoint the
 18 classified employee member from a list of at least three eligible
 19 persons furnished by the exclusive representatives of classified
 20 employees of the California Community Colleges.

21 ~~(e) One voting member who is a member or former member of~~
 22 ~~the Armed Forces of the United States, as defined in subdivision~~
 23 ~~(e) of Section 66025.8, who has demonstrated expertise and~~
 24 ~~leadership in the field of veterans’ affairs.~~