

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 1, 2014

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2265**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Weber**

February 21, 2014

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An act to ~~amend Section 89252 of~~ *add Section 89259* to the Education Code, relating to the California State University.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2265, as amended, Weber. California State University: educational opportunity program.

Existing law establishes the California State University, and authorizes the operation of its various campuses under the administration of the Trustees of the California State University. Existing law, the California State University Educational Opportunity Act, provides educational assistance and grants for undergraduate study at the California State University to students who are economically disadvantaged or educationally and economically disadvantaged, but who display potential for success in accredited curricula offered by the university. The act sets grant eligibility criteria and, when the recipient is an enrollee in a special educational opportunity program approved by the trustees, provides that the state university campus sponsoring the program receives from the trustees specified reimbursement.

~~This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the provisions of the act relating to grant eligibility and sponsoring campus reimbursement.~~

*This bill would require the California State University to provide a direct link to information and application forms for the educational opportunity program approved by the trustees on the online version of the California State University Mentor Application, and to attach an*

*informational brochure for this program to its electronic and printed application forms for undergraduate admission. The bill would require, when the California State University next revises this mentor application following the bill’s enactment, that the revised electronic and printed forms of the mentor application include a description of the educational opportunity program approved by the trustees.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~-yes.  
 State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 89259 is added to the Education Code,  
 2     to read:  
 3     89259. (a) For an educational opportunity program  
 4     established pursuant to this article, the California State University  
 5     shall do all of the following:  
 6     (1) The California State University shall provide a direct link  
 7     to information and application forms for the educational  
 8     opportunity program on the online version of the California State  
 9     University Mentor Application.  
 10    (2) The California State University shall attach an informational  
 11    brochure concerning the educational opportunity program to the  
 12    electronic and printed application forms for undergraduate  
 13    admission to the California State University.  
 14    (3) When the California State University next revises the  
 15    California State University Mentor Application following the  
 16    enactment of this statute, the California State University shall add  
 17    a description of the educational opportunity program to the revised  
 18    electronic and printed forms of the mentor application.  
 19    (b) For purposes of this section, “California State University  
 20    Mentor Application” refers to the mentor application provided  
 21    for on the California State University Internet Web site.  
 22    ~~SECTION 1. Section 89252 of the Education Code is amended~~  
 23    to read:  
 24    ~~89252. (a) California State University Educational Opportunity~~  
 25    ~~Program grants may be awarded to persons selected for enrollment~~  
 26    ~~in programs authorized by the trustees according to the procedures~~  
 27    ~~established by the trustees.~~  
 28    ~~(b) To be eligible for a grant, a person shall satisfy all of the~~  
 29    ~~following requirements:~~

1 ~~(1) The person is a resident of this state.~~

2 ~~(2) The person is a high school graduate or has, pursuant to the~~  
3 ~~procedures, equivalent qualifications.~~

4 ~~(3) The person has been nominated by his or her high school or~~  
5 ~~community college, the Veterans Administration, a state agency~~  
6 ~~or educational agency designated by the trustees, or a state~~  
7 ~~university president.~~

8 ~~(e) The trustees shall determine eligibility for grants awarded~~  
9 ~~pursuant to this article.~~

10 ~~(d) The grants may be granted and renewed according to~~  
11 ~~standards set by the trustees until the student has received a~~  
12 ~~baccalaureate degree or has completed five academic years,~~  
13 ~~whichever occurs first. In special circumstances, as in the case of~~  
14 ~~illness, military service, or family hardship, the trustees may renew~~  
15 ~~the grant beyond the fifth year of study, provided the student has~~  
16 ~~not received a baccalaureate degree.~~

17 ~~(e) If the recipient is an enrollee in a special educational~~  
18 ~~opportunity program approved by the trustees, for the purposes of~~  
19 ~~this article, the state university sponsoring the program shall receive~~  
20 ~~from the trustees reimbursement of up to sixty dollars (\$60) per~~  
21 ~~month per enrollee up to 12 months' support.~~