

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2411**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Bonta**

February 21, 2014

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An act to amend Section 14110 of the Penal Code, relating to community violence prevention.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2411, as introduced, Bonta. Community violence prevention.

Existing law states the intent of the Legislature to develop community violence prevention and conflict resolution programs based on the recommendations of the California Commission on Crime Control and Violence Prevention that would present a balanced and comprehensive educational, intellectual, and experiential approach toward eradicating violence in our society. Existing law also states the intent of the Legislature that these programs be regulated and funded pursuant to contracts with the Office of Emergency Services. Existing law includes related legislative findings.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to those findings.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 14110 of the Penal Code is amended to
- 2 read:
- 3 14110. The Legislature finds *all of* the following:

- 1 (a) The incidence of violence in our state continues to present  
2 an increasing and dominating societal problem that must be  
3 addressed at its root causes in order to reduce significantly its  
4 effects upon our society.
- 5 (b) As an initial step toward that goal, the Legislature passed  
6 Assembly Bill No. 23 of the 1979–80 Regular Session which  
7 created the California Commission on Crime Control and Violence  
8 Prevention which was charged with compiling the latest research  
9 on root causes of violence, in order to lay the foundation for a  
10 credible, effective violence eradication program.
- 11 (c) The commission produced a final report in 1982 entitled  
12 “Ounces of Prevention,” which established that long-term  
13 prevention is a valuable and viable public policy and demonstrated  
14 that there are reachable root causes of violence in our society.
- 15 (d) The report contains comprehensive findings and  
16 recommendations in 10 broad categorical areas for the removal of  
17 individual, familial, and societal causal factors of crime and  
18 violence in California.
- 19 (e) The recommendations in the report are feasible and credible,  
20 propose an effective means of resolving conflict and removing the  
21 root causes of violence in our society, and should be implemented,  
22 so that their value may be provided to our citizenry.