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SENATE BILL

No. 544

Introduced by Senator DeSaulnier

February 22, 2013

An act to add Title 9 (commencing with Section 14060) to Part 4 of the Penal Code, relating to violence prevention.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 544, as amended, DeSaulnier. Violence prevention.

Existing law provides for multiple violence prevention programs, including the California Gang, Crime, and Violence Prevention Partnership Program; the California Community Crime Resistance Program; the Rural Indian Crime Prevention Program; and the sexual assault felony enforcement (SAFE) team program.

This bill would create the California Violence Prevention Authority within the State Department of Public Health. The authority would be given duties and responsibilities related to the prevention of violence, including, developing a statewide violence prevention plan and coordinating statewide violence prevention efforts. The duties and responsibilities of the authority would also include administering a violence prevention grant program with available funds, as specified. The bill would provide for an advisory committee, as specified, to assist the authority, and would also create the Violence Prevention Fund in the State Treasury. ~~This~~

This bill would require the State Department of Public Health to apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles for the purpose of creating a specialized license plate program. The bill would require that the fees collected from the sale of the specialized license plates be deposited in

the Violence Prevention Fund, and, upon appropriation by the Legislature, be available to further the purposes of the authority.

This bill would specify that funding for the authority ~~shall~~ may be provided in the annual Budget Act, as ~~specified~~. specified, and the authority would not be operational until sufficient funding for the authority, from all sources, becomes available.

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. Title 9 (commencing with Section 14060) is
2 added to Part 4 of the Penal Code, to read:

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4 TITLE 9. CALIFORNIA VIOLENCE PREVENTION ACT
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6 14060. This title shall be known and may be cited as the
7 California Violence Prevention Act of 2013.

8 14062. (a) The California Violence Prevention Authority is
9 hereby created within the State Department of Public Health.

10 (b) The duties and responsibilities of the authority shall include,
11 but are not limited to, all of the following:

12 (1) Developing a statewide, violence prevention plan that
13 includes multidisciplinary approaches, including criminal justice
14 and public health approaches, to violence prevention in families,
15 schools, and communities.

16 (2) Coordinating statewide violence prevention efforts.

17 (3) Seeking, receiving, and administering grants and funds from
18 public and private sources for violence prevention efforts and
19 programs.

20 (4) Distributing the grants and funds obtained for violence
21 prevention efforts and programs, pursuant to rules adopted by the
22 authority and subject to appropriation, to local and statewide
23 organizations, initiatives, and programs that address violence
24 prevention in a comprehensive and collaborative manner, including,
25 but not limited to, the following:

26 (A) Community based youth violence prevention programs,
27 including mentoring programs, after school programs, and job
28 training and development programs.

1 (B) Early childhood intervention programs designed to prevent
2 violence and identify and serve at-risk children and families.

3 (C) Family violence and sexual assault prevention initiatives.

4 (D) Programs that integrate violence prevention services with
5 alcohol and substance abuse prevention services.

6 (E) Programs that integrate violence prevention services with
7 providing health care services.

8 (5) Providing training and technical assistance to help build the
9 capacity of organizations, communities, and local government to
10 develop, implement, and evaluate violence prevention programs.

11 14064. (a) The authority shall have an advisory board which
12 shall meet periodically to carry out the purposes of this title and
13 to execute the duties and responsibilities identified in Section
14 14062.

15 (b) The advisory board shall include, and be chaired by, the
16 Attorney General, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and
17 the State ~~Director of Public Health~~ *Health Officer*.

18 (c) The advisory board shall also include the following:

19 (1) The Secretary of ~~the California Health and Human Services~~
20 ~~Agency, Services,~~ or his or her designee, and one additional
21 representative of the California Health and Human Services
22 Agency, to be selected by the Secretary of ~~the California Health~~
23 ~~and Human Services Agency Services~~.

24 (2) The Commissioner of the California Highway Patrol, or his
25 or her designee.

26 (3) The Director of Social Services, or his or her designee.

27 (4) The Director of the California Department of Aging, or his
28 or her designee.

29 (5) The Secretary of the Department of Corrections and
30 Rehabilitation.

31 (6) Six public members, each representing a health, criminal
32 justice, or civic association or organization working in the area of
33 violence prevention, or an advocate for victims including domestic
34 violence or sexual assault victims. Three of the public members
35 shall be appointed by the Attorney General and three of the public
36 members shall be appointed by the Superintendent of Public
37 Instruction. Each public member shall be appointed for a term of
38 three years, and may be reappointed.

39 14066. The Violence Prevention Fund is hereby created in the
40 State Treasury. Funds received from private, state, or federal

1 sources for violence prevention purposes may be deposited into
2 the fund. Upon appropriation by the Legislature, these funds shall
3 be used by the California Violence Prevention Authority to carry
4 out the purposes of this title.

5 *14068. The State Department of Public Health shall apply to*
6 *the Department of Motor Vehicles pursuant to Section 5156 of the*
7 *Vehicle Code for the purpose of creating a specialized license*
8 *plate program. The fees collected from the sale of the specialized*
9 *license plates shall be deposited in the Violence Prevention Fund,*
10 *and upon appropriation by the Legislature, shall be used to carry*
11 *out the purposes of this title. The department shall comply with*
12 *all of the requirements of Article 8.6 (commencing with Section*
13 *5151) of Chapter 1 of Division 3 of the Vehicle Code that apply*
14 *to a state agency that sponsors a specialized license plate program.*

15 SEC. 2. Funding to implement the purposes, objectives, and
16 operations of the California Violence Prevention Authority ~~shall~~
17 *may* be provided from an amount appropriated to the State
18 Department of Public Health for that purpose in the annual Budget
19 Act. *The California Violence Prevention Authority shall not be*
20 *operational until the State Department of Public Health determines*
21 *that sufficient funding for the authority, from any source, including,*
22 *but not limited to, an appropriation to the State Department of*
23 *Public Health for that purpose in the annual Budget Act or revenue*
24 *generated by the sale of a specialized license plate created*
25 *pursuant to Section 14068 of the Penal Code, has become*
26 *available.*