

Introduced by Senator Yee

February 22, 2013

An act relating to voting.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 637, as introduced, Yee. Secretary of State: report: voting prior to election day.

Existing law imposes various duties on the Secretary of State with regard to registering voters and conducting elections.

This bill would require the Secretary of State to conduct a study regarding early voting options and report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2015, regarding the results of the study. The bill would specify factors to be considered in the study. These provisions would repeal on January 1, 2016.

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. (a) The Secretary of State shall conduct a study
- 2 regarding early voting options and report to the Legislature on or
- 3 before January 1, 2015, regarding the results of the study. The
- 4 study shall include consideration of all of the following:
- 5 (1) Methods of expanding and promoting early voting.
- 6 (2) Establishing locations in addition to county registrar's offices
- 7 for voters to complete early voting ballots.
- 8 (3) Practices adopted by other states to provide voters with early
- 9 voting options.

1 (4) Ensuring that early voting options that may be adopted by
2 the state are compliant with the federal Americans with Disabilities
3 Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.).

4 (b) (1) The report required by subdivision (a) shall be submitted
5 in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

6 (2) Pursuant to Section 10231.5 of the Government Code, this
7 section is repealed on January 1, 2016.

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