

AMENDED IN SENATE AUGUST 20, 2014

SENATE BILL

No. 1007

Introduced by Senator Wyland

February 13, 2014

An act to amend Section 8070 of, and to add Article 10 (commencing with Section 52495) to Chapter 9 of Part 28 of Division 4 of Title 2 of, of the Education Code, relating to career technical education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1007, as amended, Wyland. ~~Career technical education: expansion: local advisory committees.~~ *Career technical education.*

~~(1) Existing~~

Existing law authorizes the governing board of a high school district, the governing board of a joint powers regional occupational center or program, or the county superintendent of schools that conducts any county-operated regional occupational center or program, to establish and maintain, in connection with a high school or regional occupational center or program under its or his or her jurisdiction, cooperative career technical education programs or community classrooms as part of a career technical education course in accordance with prescribed rules and regulations.

This bill would state findings and declarations of the Legislature regarding the need for career technical education programs, and would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education to consider ~~ways to expand~~ *various measures to enhance and improve* career technical education programs in middle and high schools in the state. *education.*

~~(2) Existing law requires the governing board of each school district participating in a career technical education program to appoint a career~~

~~technical education advisory committee to develop recommendations on the program and to provide liaison between the district and potential employers. The committee is required to consist of specified representatives.~~

~~This bill would require that the committee include members of labor and trade organizations and additional representatives, from various career technical education industry sectors, recommended by local industry organizations, except as specified. By requiring the governing board of a school district to work with industry organizations to reconstitute the membership of that committee in order to continue participating in a career technical education program, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.~~

~~(3) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.~~

~~This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.~~

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. *The Legislature finds and declares all of the*
- 2 *following:*
- 3 (a) *The economic future of California depends on a workforce*
- 4 *ready to fill thousands of jobs in a variety of fields.*
- 5 (b) *As many as 80 percent of jobs do not require a bachelor's*
- 6 *degree.*
- 7 (c) *Although a significant percentage of these jobs will not*
- 8 *require even a high school diploma, it is important that all students*
- 9 *graduate from high school with basic skills and knowledge.*
- 10 (d) *Many jobs that do not require a postsecondary degree do,*
- 11 *however, require specific job skills.*
- 12 (e) *Career technical education contributes to graduation from*
- 13 *high school and preparation for work after high school.*
- 14 (f) *California's high school dropout rate is at least one-fifth,*
- 15 *and may be as much as one-third, of all students, is significantly*
- 16 *higher among poor students, minority students, and English learner*

1 *students, and is dramatically reduced among those students who*
2 *take career technical courses.*

3 *(g) Career technical course offerings have diminished*
4 *significantly over time, skilled teachers of these courses are retiring*
5 *without being replaced, school facilities for career technical*
6 *education have declined, and current budget policy threatens the*
7 *very existence of career technical education.*

8 *(h) The lack of teachers for career technical education is among*
9 *the obstacles to expansion of career technical education.*

10 *(i) All young people deserve to believe they will have significant*
11 *and important roles as adults, and, by teaching important skills,*
12 *career technical education contributes to participants' sense of*
13 *self-worth.*

14 *(j) All persons who contribute to our society, through whatever*
15 *occupation, deserve our respect, including persons who do not*
16 *have a postsecondary degree.*

17 ~~SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the~~
18 ~~following:~~

19 ~~(a) The economic future of California depends on a workforce~~
20 ~~ready to fill hundreds of thousands of jobs in a variety of fields;~~
21 ~~from construction to computer technology to health care.~~

22 ~~(b) California is not graduating pupils with the necessary skills~~
23 ~~or training to enter into the various fields described in subdivision~~
24 ~~(a).~~

25 ~~(c) California high schools have an unacceptable rate of pupils~~
26 ~~who do not graduate.~~

27 ~~(d) Up to 70 percent of jobs require basic skills and often~~
28 ~~postsecondary training, but do not require a college degree.~~

29 ~~(e) All young people deserve the opportunity to believe in~~
30 ~~themselves as significant and important additions to our society~~
31 ~~and economy.~~

32 ~~(f) The lack of opportunities for high school pupils to be exposed~~
33 ~~to career technical education has contributed to the problems~~
34 ~~described in subdivisions (b) and (c).~~

35 ~~SEC. 2. Section 8070 of the Education Code is amended to~~
36 ~~read:~~

37 ~~8070. (a) The governing board of each school district~~
38 ~~participating in a career technical education program shall establish~~
39 ~~and appoint a career technical education advisory committee to~~

1 develop recommendations on the program and to provide liaison
2 between the school district and potential employers.

3 (b) ~~The committee shall include one or more representatives of
4 the general public knowledgeable about the disadvantaged, pupils,
5 teachers, school administration, and the field office of the
6 Employment Development Department, and members of labor and
7 trade organizations, who shall be appointed by the governing board
8 of the school district.~~

9 (e) ~~The committee also shall include representatives of career
10 technical education industry sectors who shall be appointed by the
11 governing board of the school district from lists of recommended
12 individuals provided by the applicable local industry organizations
13 pursuant to paragraph (2).~~

14 (1) ~~Based on the needs of the school district, the governing
15 board of the school district shall select at least five of the following
16 career technical education industry sectors to be represented on
17 the committee:~~

- 18 (A) ~~Agriculture and natural resources.~~
- 19 (B) ~~Building trades and construction. If the governing board of
20 the school district selects this sector for representation on the
21 committee, there shall be at least two representatives of this
22 industry sector appointed to the committee.~~
- 23 (C) ~~Finance and business.~~
- 24 (D) ~~Health science and medical technology.~~
- 25 (E) ~~Manufacturing and product development.~~
- 26 (F) ~~Transportation, with a focus on the automotive industry.~~
- 27 (G) ~~Arts, media, and entertainment.~~
- 28 (H) ~~Education, child development, and family services.~~
- 29 (I) ~~Energy and utilities.~~
- 30 (J) ~~Engineering and design.~~
- 31 (K) ~~Fashion and interior design.~~
- 32 (L) ~~Hospitality, tourism, and recreation.~~
- 33 (M) ~~Information technology.~~
- 34 (N) ~~Marketing, sales, and service.~~
- 35 (O) ~~Public services.~~
- 36 (P) ~~Goods movement.~~

37 (2) ~~Local industry organizations representing the industry sectors
38 selected by the governing board of the school district pursuant to
39 paragraph (1) shall provide lists of individuals that the
40 organizations recommend to serve on the committee as~~

1 ~~representatives of the respective industry sectors. An industry~~
2 ~~organization may provide a list of recommended individuals only~~
3 ~~for an industry sector that it represents.~~

4 ~~(d) If a school district demonstrates that it is unable to find~~
5 ~~representatives from the industry sectors set forth in paragraph (1)~~
6 ~~of subdivision (c), that school district may waive the requirements~~
7 ~~of subdivision (c). If a school district waives the requirements of~~
8 ~~subdivision (c), that school district may appoint representatives~~
9 ~~from other industry sectors as potential employer liaisons pursuant~~
10 ~~to subdivision (a).~~

11 ~~SEC. 3.~~

12 ~~SEC. 2. Article 10 (commencing with Section 52495) is added~~
13 ~~to Chapter 9 of Part 28 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Education~~
14 ~~Code, to read:~~

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16 Article 10. Miscellaneous

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18 ~~52495. The Superintendent and the state board shall consider~~
19 ~~ways to expand career technical education in middle and high~~
20 ~~schools in California, including any of the following:~~

21 ~~(a) Seeking public-private partnerships to provide facilities and~~
22 ~~equipment for career technical courses.~~

23 ~~(b) Incorporating career technical courses in the standard high~~
24 ~~school curriculum.~~

25 ~~(c) Allowing high schools to include a significant number of~~
26 ~~career technical courses in their requirements for graduation.~~

27 ~~(d) Developing extensive curriculum frameworks, guidelines,~~
28 ~~and instructional materials for the courses described in subdivisions~~
29 ~~(b) and (c).~~

30 ~~(e) Creating robust school district advisory committees to assist~~
31 ~~in planning for career technical courses and to seek private sector~~
32 ~~assistance to provide training, internships, and information about~~
33 ~~careers in various fields.~~

34 ~~(f) Developing methods of career technical teacher training and~~
35 ~~recruitment, which may include those with college training or~~
36 ~~teachers whose background is based on experience in the field in~~
37 ~~which he or she may teach.~~

38 ~~52495. The Superintendent and the state board shall consider~~
39 ~~measures to ensure all of the following:~~

1 (a) That each school district offers courses that provide pupils
2 with the opportunity to acquire entry-level employment skills in
3 business or industry upon graduation from high school.

4 (b) That each school district adjusts its high school graduation
5 requirements in a manner that otherwise capable pupils who may
6 not wish to complete the most advanced academic requirements
7 necessary for college admission nevertheless are able to graduate
8 from high school with career technical skills.

9 (c) That the California State University offers college majors
10 that can train career technical teachers.

11 (d) That each school district offers the opportunity for those
12 persons interested in teaching career technical courses, but who
13 may not have the requisite teacher training, to teach those courses
14 with appropriate training.

15 (e) That each school district designs career technical courses
16 based on collaboration with business and industry from each sector
17 of the economy.

18 (f) That each school district develops, where possible,
19 partnerships with local businesses to further the goals of career
20 technical education.

21 ~~SEC. 4. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that~~
22 ~~this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to~~
23 ~~local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made~~
24 ~~pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division~~
25 ~~4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.~~