

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 2, 2014

SENATE BILL

No. 1200

Introduced by Senator Padilla

February 20, 2014

An act to add Section 66205.55 to the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1200, as amended, Padilla. Public postsecondary education: academic standards.

The Donahoe Higher Education Act sets forth, among other things, the missions and functions of California's public and independent segments of higher education, and their respective institutions of higher education. Existing law establishes the University of California, under the administration of the Regents of the University of California, and the California State University, under the administration of the Trustees of the California State University, as 2 of the public segments of postsecondary education in this state. A provision of the act requires the California State University and requests the University of California to establish a uniform set of model academic standards for high school courses for pupils who wish to attend those institutions.

This bill would require the Trustees of the California State University, and would request the Regents of the University of California, to ~~establish a uniform set of academic standards~~ *create guidelines* for high school computer science courses, ~~to satisfy the "a-g" subject requirements, as defined, for the area of mathematics~~ for purposes of ~~recognition for~~ undergraduate admission at their respective institutions.

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. Section 66205.55 is added to the Education Code,
- 2 to read:
- 3 66205.55. (a) The Trustees of the California State University
- 4 shall, and the Regents of the University of California are requested
- 5 to, ~~establish a uniform set of academic standards~~ *create guidelines*
- 6 for high school computer science courses *to satisfy the “a-g”*
- 7 *subject requirements for the area of mathematics*, for purposes of
- 8 ~~recognition for undergraduate admission to the California State~~
- 9 University and to the University of California, respectively.
- 10 (b) *As used in this section, the “a-g” subject requirements*
- 11 *constitute the pattern of college preparatory courses drawn from*
- 12 *the areas of history/social science, English, mathematics,*
- 13 *laboratory science, languages other than English, visual and*
- 14 *performing arts, and college-preparatory electives required for*
- 15 *entrance as a first-year student at the University of California.*