ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 101

Introduced by Assembly Member Alejo

January 8, 2015

An act to amend Section 33500 of the Education Code, relating to state educational programs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 101, as introduced, Alejo. State educational programs: educational advisory bodies.

Existing law establishes preschool programs and public and private elementary and secondary schools throughout the state. Existing law also establishes the State Board of Education and the State Department of Education to provide guidance and support to local educational agencies and other entities that operate schools and preschool programs, and further authorizes the establishment and operation of numerous educational programs on the state level that are administered by the state board, the department, or other state agencies.

Existing law expresses the finding and declaration of the Legislature that there is a need to encourage the adoption of new or improved educational ideas, practices, and techniques in solving critical educational problems in preschool, elementary, and secondary schools throughout the state, but that there are a large number of permanent commissions, committees, and councils, some of which have overlapping duties and functions or that have been perpetuated in existence beyond the original need or purpose for which they were created. Existing law expresses the intent of the Legislature to create 3 levels of educational advisory bodies, as specified.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes in these provisions.

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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 33500 of the Education Code is amended 2 to read:

3 33500. (a) The Legislature hereby declares that there finds 4 and declares both of the following:

5 (1) There is further need to encourage the adoption of new or improved educational ideas, practices, and techniques in solving 6 7 critical educational problems in preschool, elementary, and 8 secondary schools throughout the state. In recognition of the need 9 for the planning and developing of new programs involving a wide 10 range of new approaches designed to improve the quality of education available in this state, this chapter is expressly enacted 11 12 to foster innovation and create change in education, based on research and proven need. It is the purpose of this chapter to bring 13 14 purposeful change and experimentation to schools throughout the state, through the use of all available resources of the state. 15 16 The Legislature further finds that there 17 (2) There are in existence a large number of permanent

18 commissions, committees, and councils, some of which have 19 overlapping duties and functions, and some of which have been 20 perpetuated in existence beyond the original need or purpose for 21 which they were created. In

22 (b) Therefore, in order to provide a more economical, efficient,

23 and logical structure to educational policymaking, it is the intent

24 of the Legislature to create three levels of educational advisory

25 bodies: educational policy advisory commissions, educational

26 advisory committees, and educational task forces.

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