

**Assembly Bill No. 943**

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Passed the Assembly August 24, 2015

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*Chief Clerk of the Assembly*

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Passed the Senate August 20, 2015

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*Secretary of the Senate*

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This bill was received by the Governor this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_M.

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*Private Secretary of the Governor*

## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

An act to amend Section 52074 of the Education Code, relating to charter schools.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 943, Travis Allen. Charter schools: California Collaborative for Educational Excellence.

Existing law establishes the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence to advise and assist school districts, county superintendents of schools, and charter schools in achieving their local control and accountability plan goals, and requires individuals and entities contracted by the fiscal agent of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence for those purposes to have expertise, experience, and a record of success in certain areas.

This bill would require the fiscal agent of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence to also consider, for charter schools, whether a potential contractor has a record of success in working with charter schools in improving pupil outcomes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 52074 of the Education Code is amended to read:

52074. (a) The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence is hereby established.

(b) The purpose of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence is to advise and assist school districts, county superintendents of schools, and charter schools in achieving the goals set forth in a local control and accountability plan adopted pursuant to this article.

(c) The Superintendent shall, with the approval of the state board, contract with a local educational agency, or consortium of local educational agencies, to serve as the fiscal agent for the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence. The Superintendent shall apportion funds appropriated for the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence to the fiscal agent.

(d) The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall be governed by a board consisting of the following five members:

- (1) The Superintendent or his or her designee.
- (2) The president of the state board or his or her designee.
- (3) A county superintendent of schools appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules.
- (4) A teacher appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.
- (5) A superintendent of a school district appointed by the Governor.

(e) (1) At the direction of the governing board of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, the fiscal agent shall contract with individuals, local educational agencies, or organizations with the expertise, experience, and a record of success to carry out the purposes of this article. The areas of expertise, experience, and record of success shall include, but are not limited to, all of the following:

(A) State priorities as described in subdivision (d) of Section 52060.

(B) Improving the quality of teaching.

(C) Improving the quality of school district and schoolsite leadership.

(D) Successfully addressing the needs of special pupil populations, including, but not limited to, English learners, pupils eligible to receive a free or reduced-price meal, pupils in foster care, and individuals with exceptional needs.

(2) For charter schools, the fiscal agent shall also consider whether a potential contractor has a record of success in working with charter schools in improving pupil outcomes.

(f) The Superintendent may direct the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence to advise and assist a school district, county superintendent of schools, or charter school in any of the following circumstances:

(1) If the governing board of a school district, county board of education, or governing body of a charter school requests the advice and assistance of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence.

(2) If the county superintendent of schools of the county in which the school district or charter school is located determines, following the provision of technical assistance pursuant to Section

52071 or 47607.3, as applicable, that the advice and assistance of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence is necessary to help the school district or charter school accomplish the goals described in the local control and accountability plan adopted pursuant to this article.

(3) If the Superintendent determines that the advice and assistance of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence is necessary to help the school district, county superintendent of schools, or charter school accomplish the goals set forth in the local control and accountability plan adopted pursuant to this article.







Approved \_\_\_\_\_, 2015

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*Governor*