

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1349**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Weber**

February 27, 2015

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An act to add Article 2 (commencing with Section 66208) to, and to add the heading of Article 1 (commencing with Section 66201) to, Chapter 4 of Part 40 of Division 5 of Title 3 of the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1349, as introduced, Weber. Public postsecondary education: California First Act.

Existing law establishes the segments of the public postsecondary education system in the state, including the University of California, administered by the Regents of the University of California, and the California State University, administered by the Trustees of the California State University.

This bill would establish the California First Act, which would require the trustees, and request the regents, to guarantee undergraduate admission at a campus, though not necessarily at a campus or in a major of the applicant's choice, within their respective systems, to all eligible California residents who submit timely applications for undergraduate admission. The bill would require the trustees, and request the regents, to submit an annual report to the Legislature on or before July 1, 2017, and on or before every July 1 thereafter, disclosing specified admissions statistics from the coming academic year.

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. The heading of Article 1 (commencing with  
2     Section 66201) is added to Chapter 4 of Part 40 of Division 5 of  
3     Title 3 of the Education Code, to read:

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5                     Article 1. Miscellaneous Provisions  
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7     SEC. 2. Article 2 (commencing with Section 66208) is added  
8     to Chapter 4 of Part 40 of Division 5 of Title 3 of the Education  
9     Code, to read:

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11                    Article 2. California First Act  
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13     66208. This article shall be known, and may be cited, as the  
14     California First Act. The purpose of this act is to improve  
15     undergraduate access to the California State University and the  
16     University of California, in accordance with the California Master  
17     Plan for Higher Education, for California residents, as defined in  
18     subdivision (b) of Section 70010.1.

19     66208.2. The Trustees of the California State University shall,  
20     and the Regents of the University of California are requested to,  
21     guarantee undergraduate admissions at a campus, though not  
22     necessarily at a campus or in a major of the applicant's choice,  
23     within their systems, to all California residents who apply on time  
24     and satisfy the undergraduate admissions eligibility requirements  
25     of those systems, respectively.

26     66208.4 . (a) The trustees shall, and the regents are requested  
27     to, submit an annual report to the Legislature on or before July 1,  
28     2017, and on or before every July 1 thereafter, for each campus  
29     and systemwide, for its respective system on the total number of  
30     undergraduate applications received, the number of undergraduate  
31     applicants admitted, and the number of undergraduate applicants  
32     who were not admitted for the coming academic year.

33     (b) A report to be submitted pursuant to subdivision (a) shall  
34     be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government  
35     Code.

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