

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1913

**Introduced by Assembly Member Baker
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Brown and Mathis)**

February 11, 2016

An act to add Section 974.7 to the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1913, as introduced, Baker. Veterans: unemployment insurance.

Existing law authorizes the Employment Development Department, within the Labor and Workforce Development Agency, to perform various functions and duties with respect to job creation and retention activities. Existing law requires the department to research the needs of veterans throughout the state and develop a profile of veterans' employment and training needs and to develop a statewide plan for the equitable distribution of employment funds for veterans' employment services. Existing law authorizes the board of supervisors of each county to appoint a county veterans service officer to provide veteran-related services.

This bill would require the Employment Development Department, upon request of the local county veterans service officer, to provide training to the county veterans service officer and his or her staff in providing assistance to veterans applying for unemployment insurance benefits.

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 974.7 is added to the Military and
2 Veterans Code, to read:
3 974.7. Upon request of the county veterans service officer, the
4 Employment Development Department shall provide training to
5 the county veterans service officer and his or her staff in providing
6 assistance to veterans applying for benefits available under Part 1
7 (commencing with Section 100) of Division 1 of the
8 Unemployment Insurance Code.

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