

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2180

Introduced by Assembly Member Ting

February 18, 2016

An act to amend Section 12935 of the Government Code, relating to fair employment and housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2180, as introduced, Ting. Fair Employment and Housing Council: reports.

Existing law creates the Fair Employment and Housing Council within the Department of Fair Employment and Housing, and requires that the council be appointed by the Governor, as prescribed. Existing law authorizes and requires the council to issue reports to the Governor and the Legislature that, in its judgment will aid in effectuating the purposes of the Fair Employment and Housing Act.

This bill would require the council to issue a biennial report with its recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature.

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 12935 of the Government Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 12935. (a) The council shall have the following functions,
- 4 powers, and duties:
- 5 (a)

- 1 (1) To adopt, promulgate, amend, and rescind suitable rules,
- 2 regulations, and standards that do either of the following:
- 3 (1)
- 4 (A) Interpret, implement, and apply all provisions of this part.
- 5 (2)
- 6 (B) Carry out all other functions and duties of the council
- 7 pursuant to this part.
- 8 (3)
- 9 (2) To meet at any place within the state and function in any
- 10 office of the department.
- 11 (b)
- 12 (3) To create or provide technical assistance to any advisory
- 13 agencies and conciliation councils, local or otherwise, as in its
- 14 judgment will aid in effectuating the purposes of this part, and to
- 15 empower them to study the problems of discrimination in all or
- 16 specific fields of human relationships or in particular instances of
- 17 employment discrimination on the bases enumerated in this part
- 18 or in specific instances of housing discrimination on the bases
- 19 enumerated in this part and to foster, through community effort or
- 20 otherwise, good will, cooperation, and conciliation among the
- 21 groups and elements of the population of the state and to make
- 22 recommendations to the Fair Employment and Housing Council
- 23 for the development of policies and procedures in general except
- 24 for procedural rules and regulations that carry out the investigation,
- 25 prosecution, and dispute resolution functions and duties of the
- 26 department. These advisory agencies and conciliation councils
- 27 shall be composed of representative citizens, serving without pay.
- 28 (e)
- 29 (4) To hold hearings, issue publications, *and issue the results*
- 30 *of inquiries and research, and reports to the Governor and the*
- 31 ~~Legislature~~ *research*, that, in its judgment, will tend to aid in the
- 32 effectuating the purpose of this part, promote good will,
- 33 cooperation and conciliation, and minimize or eliminate unlawful
- 34 discrimination, or advance civil rights in the State of California.
- 35 (b) (1) *The council shall issue a biennial report with its*
- 36 *recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature.*
- 37 (2) *The report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in*
- 38 *compliance with Section 9795.*

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