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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2275**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Dababneh**

February 18, 2016

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An act to amend Section 44257 of the Education Code, relating to teacher credentialing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2275, as amended, Dababneh. Teacher credentialing: computer science courses.

Existing law authorizes the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to issue single subject teaching credentials only in specific subjects.

This bill would authorize a person who holds a single subject *teaching* credential in business, industrial and technology education, mathematics, or science *or a designated subjects career technical education teaching credential* to teach courses in computer ~~science~~: *science to all pupils*.

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 44257 of the Education Code is amended
- 2 to read:
- 3 44257. (a) The commission shall issue single subject teaching
- 4 credentials only in the following subjects:
- 5 (1) Agriculture.

- 1 (2) Art.
- 2 (3) Business.
- 3 (4) English.
- 4 (5) Foreign Language.
- 5 (6) Health Science.
- 6 (7) Home Economics.
- 7 (8) Industrial and Technology Education.
- 8 (9) Mathematics.
- 9 (10) Music.
- 10 (11) Physical Education.
- 11 (12) Science.
- 12 (13) Social Science.
- 13 (b) The commission shall issue the single subject teaching
- 14 credential in foreign language with an authorization to teach
- 15 Chinese, French, German, Russian, Spanish, or any other language
- 16 that the commission determines is appropriate.
- 17 (c) Subjects that are commonly taught in departmentalized
- 18 classes in California public schools shall be subsumed under the
- 19 credential categories in subdivision (a).
- 20 (d) The commission shall issue single subject teaching
- 21 credentials in the categories that were identified in Section 44282
- 22 as of December 31, 1993, to applicants who were in the process
- 23 of preparing to earn those credentials before the effective date of
- 24 the commission's implementation of subdivision (a).
- 25 (e) A person issued a single subject teaching credential in
- 26 business, industrial and technology education, mathematics, or
- 27 science *or a designated subjects career technical education*
- 28 *teaching credential* is authorized to teach computer ~~science~~: *science*
- 29 *to all pupils, including, but not limited to, pupils enrolled in a*
- 30 *general education or college preparatory course or a career*
- 31 *technical education pathway.*
- 32 (f) This section does not prohibit a school district from
- 33 employing a person to teach computer science who holds a single
- 34 subject teaching credential in another subject with an authorization
- 35 to teach computer concepts and applications.

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