

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 18, 2016

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2681

Introduced by Assembly Member O'Donnell

February 19, 2016

An act to add and repeal Section 76004.5 of the Education Code, relating to public ~~postsecondary education~~ education, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2681, as amended, O'Donnell. Public ~~postsecondary education~~ education: California College Promise Grant Program.

Existing law authorizes the governing board of a community college district to enter into a College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) partnership with the governing board of a school district with the goal of developing seamless pathways from high school to community college for career technical education or preparation for transfer, improving high school graduation rates, or helping high school pupils achieve college and career readiness. Existing law requires the partnership agreement to outline the terms of the partnership, as specified, and to establish protocols for information sharing, joint facilities use, and parental consent for high school pupils to enroll in community college courses. These provisions are repealed on January 1, 2022.

This bill would establish the California College Promise Grant Program, until January 1, 2022, to be administered by the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, to provide planning grants to eligible school districts and community college districts to establish CCAP partnerships. The bill would authorize the Superintendent and the

chancellor to establish the grant application process and the criteria for determining the amount of each grant. The bill would set the maximum grant amount under this program at \$25,000.

The bill would appropriate \$1,000,000 from the General Fund to the Superintendent of Public Instruction for allocation, without regard to fiscal years, for purposes of this program. Funds appropriated by this bill would be applied toward the minimum funding requirements for school districts and community college districts imposed by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, as specified.

~~Under existing law, the University of California, under the administration of the Regents of the University of California, the California State University, under the administration of the Trustees of the California State University, and the California Community Colleges, under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, are the 3 segments of public postsecondary education in this state.~~

~~This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to public postsecondary education in this state.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: ~~no~~ yes. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~ yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 76004.5 is added to the Education Code,
 2 to read:
 3 76004.5. (a) The California College Promise Grant Program
 4 is hereby established to provide planning grants to school districts
 5 and community college districts to establish a College and Career
 6 Access Pathways (CCAP) partnership pursuant to Section 76004.
 7 A grant may be awarded under this section to a school district or
 8 community college district that has met the requirements of
 9 subdivision (b) of Section 76004 and that has certified its intention
 10 to establish a CCAP partnership no later than the fiscal year
 11 following the fiscal year in which the grant is received. A grant
 12 awarded under this section may be used to cover costs incurred
 13 pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 76004 and to inform parents
 14 and students about opportunities that are available through the
 15 CCAP partnership.
 16 (b) The grant program established by this section shall be
 17 administered by the Superintendent and the Chancellor of the

1 California Community Colleges. The Superintendent and the
2 chancellor shall establish the grant application process and the
3 criteria for determining the amount of each grant. The maximum
4 amount of a grant awarded under this section shall be twenty-five
5 thousand dollars (\$25,000) per CCAP partnership.

6 (c) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2022,
7 and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that
8 is enacted before January 1, 2022, deletes or extends that date.

9 SEC. 2. (a) The sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) is
10 hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Superintendent
11 of Public Instruction for allocation, without regard to fiscal years,
12 for purposes of Section 76004.5 of the Education Code.

13 (b) For purposes of making the computations required by
14 Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the funds
15 appropriated pursuant to this section shall be deemed to be
16 “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts and
17 community college districts, respectively,” as defined in subdivision
18 (f) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the fiscal year in
19 which they are expended, and included within the “[t]otal
20 allocations to school districts and community college districts
21 from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to
22 Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of
23 the Education Code, for the fiscal year in which they are expended.

24 ~~SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact~~
25 ~~legislation relating to public postsecondary education in this state.~~