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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2826

Introduced by Assembly Member Weber (Coauthors: Assembly Members Cooper, Holden, and Olsen)
(Coauthor: Senator Hall)

February 19, 2016

An act to add Section 44662.3 to the Education Code, relating to teachers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2826, as amended, Weber. Teachers: evaluation and assessment. Existing law requires the State Board of Education to develop guidelines that school districts may use in the development of certain teacher evaluation procedures and to distribute those guidelines to every school district.

Existing law states the intent of the Legislature that governing boards of school districts establish a uniform system of evaluation and assessment of the performance of all certificated personnel within each school district of the state. Existing law requires the governing board of each school district to establish standards of expected pupil achievement at each grade level in each area of study and to evaluate and assess certificated employee performance on a continuing basis as it reasonably relates to specified matters, including the progress of pupils, as provided, instructional techniques and strategies, and adherence to curricular objectives. Existing law authorizes the governing

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board of a school district to develop and adopt additional evaluation and assessment guidelines or criteria.

This bill would specifically authorize and encourage the evaluation and assessment of certificated employee performance as it reasonably relates to the progress of pupils, instructional techniques and strategies, and adherence to curricular objectives to include certain things, as provided. The bill would also provide that its provisions it shall not be construed as to require the state board to revise its guidelines. guidelines, to limit a school district governing board authority to adopt additional guidelines or criteria, or to limit the right of certificated employees or their exclusive representative to bargain concerning evaluation procedures.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 44662.3 is added to the Education Code, 2 to read:
- 3 44662.3. (a) For purposes of this article, the following phrases 4 may include, but shall not be limited to, the following:
- 5 (1) "Progress of pupils" may include the following multiple 6 measures:
- 7 (A) State-adopted formative and summative criterion referenced 8 assessments.
- 9 (B) School district, school, or department-developed 10 assessments.
- 11 (C) Curriculum-based and end-of-course assessments.
- 12 (D) Pretest and posttest data.
- 13 (E) Interim, periodic, benchmark, and formative assessments.
- 14 (F) English language proficiency assessments.
- 15 (G) Assessments measuring progress in an individualized 16 education program.
- 17 (H) Advanced placement, International Baccalaureate, and 18 college preparedness examinations.
- 19 (I) A-G coursework completion.
- 20 (J) Industry-recognized career technical education assessments 21 and program completion.
- 22 (K) Portfolios of pupils' work, projects, and performances 23 redacted of personally identifiable pupil information.

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- (L) Surveys from parents, if approved in advance by the certificated employee.
- (M) Surveys from pupils, if approved in advance by the certificated employee.
 - (N) Written reports from classroom observations.

- (O) Progress on outcomes described in the local control and accountability plan pursuant to paragraphs (4) and (8) of subdivision (d) of Section 52060.
- 9 (2) "Instructional techniques and strategies" may include the 10 following:
 - (A) Engaging and supporting all pupils in learning.
- 12 (B) Planning instruction and designing learning experiences for all pupils.
 - (C) Using pupil assessment information to inform instruction and improve learning.
 - (3) "Adherence to curricular objectives" may include:
 - (A) Understanding and organizing subject matter for pupil learning.
 - (B) Developing as a professional educator.
 - (b) The Legislature encourages school districts to utilize the options specified in paragraphs (1) to (3), inclusive, of subdivision (a) in carrying out the requirements of subdivision (b) of Section 44662.
 - (c) This section shall not be construed—as to require the state board to revise the guidelines developed pursuant to Section 33039.
 - (d) Nothing in this section shall be construed as in any way limiting the authority of school district governing boards to develop and adopt additional evaluation and assessment guidelines or criteria, nor shall it be construed to limit the rights of certificated employees or their exclusive representative to bargain procedures to be used for the evaluation of employees or other terms and conditions of employment pursuant to Chapter 10.7 (commencing with Section 3540) of Division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code.