

Introduced by Senator BeallFebruary 26, 2015

An act relating to criminal justice grant programs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 515, as introduced, Beall. Grant programs.

Existing law, as added by the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act, a measure approved by the voters at the November 4, 2014, statewide general election, creates the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund, a continuously appropriated fund, which is funded by savings that accrue to the state from the implementation of the act. Existing law provides that 65% of the moneys deposited in the fund shall be disbursed to the Board of State and Community Corrections to administer a grant program to fund public agencies that support mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment, and diversion programs for people in the criminal justice system.

Proposition 47 provides that its provisions may be amended by a statute that is consistent with and furthers its intent and that is passed by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote of each house of the Legislature and is signed by the Governor. Proposition 47 also provides that the Legislature may, by majority vote, amend, add, or repeal provisions to further reduce the penalties for offenses it addresses.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that establishes funding priorities for moneys distributed from the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund to the Board of State and Community Corrections.

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. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
2 legislation that establishes funding priorities for moneys distributed
3 from the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund to the Board of
4 State and Community Corrections pursuant to paragraph (3) of
5 subdivision (a) of Section 7599.2 of the Government Code.

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