

Introduced by Senator Mendoza

February 19, 2016

An act to amend Section 153 of the Labor Code, relating to employment.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1379, as introduced, Mendoza. Labor statistics and research.

Under existing law, the Department of Industrial Relations collects, compiles, and presents facts and statistics relating to the condition of labor in the state. Existing law provides that, except as specified, no use shall be made in the department's reports of the names of persons supplying information, and makes any agent or employee of the department who violates this provision guilty of a misdemeanor.

This bill would also prohibit the use of the identities of persons supplying information to the department.

Because the bill would expand the definition of a crime, it would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 153 of the Labor Code is amended to
2 read:

1 153. Except as provided in Section 151 no use shall be made
2 in the statistical or other reports prepared pursuant to this chapter
3 of the names *or identities* of persons supplying the information
4 required under this code. Any agent or employee of the department
5 who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

6 SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
7 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because
8 the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school
9 district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or
10 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty
11 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of
12 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within
13 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California
14 Constitution.