

Senate Bill No. 1318

CHAPTER 58

An act relating to education, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1318, Polanco. Education: charter schools: county offices of education.

Existing law, known as the Charter Schools Act of 1992, authorizes a procedure for the establishment of charter schools. Under existing law, charter schools receive public funding in accordance with specified provisions, but are not generally subject to the laws governing school districts. Existing law authorizes school districts to review petitions for the establishment of, and to grant charters for the operation of, charter schools, as specified.

This bill would provide that charter schools operating under a charter approved before June 1, 1997, by the County Board of Education for the County of Los Angeles and that serve at-risk pupils may continue to operate until June 30, 1999.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

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

SECTION 1. (a) A charter school operating under a charter approved before June 1, 1997, by the county board of education of a county of the first class to serve at-risk pupils, may operate until June 30, 1999.

(b) This act shall not be construed to authorize a county board of education to grant, or to prohibit a county board of education from granting, a charter that has not been denied by a school district.

SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to ensure the continued delivery of educational services to pupils served by county community schools, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

