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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1999–2000 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 192**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Scott  
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Alquist, Havice, Honda,  
and Wildman)**

January 21, 1999

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An act to add and repeal Section 90531.5 of the Education Code, relating to the California Teacher Cadet Program.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 192, as amended, Scott. California Teacher Cadet Program.

Existing law establishes the California Center on Teaching Careers, administered by the California State University, for the purpose of recruiting qualified and capable individuals into the teaching profession. Existing law requires the California Center on Teaching Careers, among other things, to develop and conduct outreach activities to high school pupils and to college students.

This bill would require the California Center on Teaching Careers, in conjunction with the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Chancellor of the California State University, to operate the California Teacher Cadet Program for the purpose of introducing public high school pupils to the teaching profession. The bill would require the California Center on Teaching Careers to develop a grant program to assist school districts in offering yearlong coursework designed to expose pupils to teaching careers through the development of a hands-on education curriculum. The bill would require that school districts that participate in the program receive one-time grants of \$2,500 for the startup of the program. The bill would require, subject to the availability of funding, the ~~Legislative Analyst~~ *Commission on Teacher Credentialing* to contract for an evaluation of this program and to report to the Legislature. The provisions of the bill would be repealed on January 1, 2008.

The bill would provide that its provisions would be implemented only if funds are appropriated for those purposes.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 90531.5 is added to the  
 2 Education Code, to read:  
 3 90531.5. (a) The California Teacher Cadet Program  
 4 is hereby established and shall be operated by the  
 5 California Center on Teaching Careers in conjunction  
 6 with the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the  
 7 Chancellor of the California State University. The  
 8 program is established for the purpose of introducing  
 9 public secondary school pupils to the teaching profession.  
 10 The main purpose of the program is to encourage *high*  
 11 *school* pupils who possess a high level of academic  
 12 achievement and the personality traits found in good  
 13 teachers to consider a career in teaching.  
 14 (b) The California Center on Teaching Careers shall  
 15 develop a grant program that assists school districts in



1 offering yearlong coursework designed to expose pupils  
2 to teaching careers and the education system through the  
3 development of a hands-on curriculum that includes the  
4 following elements:

5 (1) Classroom discussions led by the supervising  
6 teacher at the high school.

7 (2) Hands-on activities designed to excite pupils about  
8 teaching.

9 (3) Observation and participation in public school  
10 classrooms.

11 (4) Interaction with successful administrators and  
12 teachers.

13 (5) Opportunities for high school pupils to participate  
14 in classrooms by tutoring, internships, and classroom  
15 observation of teaching.

16 (c) A school district that participates in the California  
17 Teacher Cadet Program shall receive, from funds  
18 appropriated for that purpose, a one-time grant of two  
19 thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for the startup of  
20 the program at its schoolsite that will fund the  
21 development of the curriculum, purchase of materials  
22 and the development of tutoring, internship and  
23 observation options for the high school pupils enrolled in  
24 the *California* Teacher Cadet Program.

25 (d) This section shall be implemented only if funds are  
26 appropriated for the purposes of this section. It is the  
27 intent of the Legislature that any funding made available  
28 for this purpose be expended over a two-year period.

29 (e) Subject to the availability of funding, the  
30 ~~Legislative Analyst~~ *Commission on Teacher*  
31 *Credentialing* shall contract for an evaluation of this  
32 program and shall report to the Legislature by no later  
33 than January 1, 2004. This evaluation should include  
34 interviews with program participants regarding their  
35 views on the value of the program and whether  
36 participation in the California Teacher Cadet Program  
37 has been instrumental in encouraging the selection of  
38 teaching as a major in college or as a career, and surveys  
39 of colleges and universities to determine whether there  
40 has been an increase in the number of pupils that



1 indicated an interest in preparing for a career in public  
2 education.

3 (f) This section shall remain in effect only until  
4 January 1, 2008, and as of that date is repealed, unless a  
5 later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1,  
6 2008, deletes or extends that date.

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