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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1999–2000 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2196**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Briggs**  
(Principal coauthors: Senators Costa and Poochigian)  
(*Coauthor: Assembly Member Florez*)

February 23, 2000

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An act relating to unemployment, ~~and making an~~  
~~appropriation therefor.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2196, as amended, Briggs. Unemployment.

Existing law establishes various employment and training programs.

*This bill would declare the Legislature's intent with respect to the allocation of \$7.5 million among the City of Clovis, the Center for Advanced Research and Technology, and the Central Valley Business Incubator for specified purposes, if that sum is appropriated in the Budget Act of 2000 for the purpose of improving economic conditions in the San Joaquin Valley.*

~~This bill would appropriate \$7.5 million from the General Fund to the Center for Advanced Research and Technology, the Central Valley Research and Technology Park, and the Central Valley Business Incubator, Inc. to complete the~~

~~development of projects in the San Joaquin Valley that would encourage economic growth in that area.~~

~~This bill would state the intent of the Legislature in enacting these provisions.~~

~~Vote:  $\frac{2}{3}$ —majority. Appropriation: yes—no. Fiscal committee: yes—no. State-mandated local program: no.~~

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

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of  
2 the following:

3 (a) Severe economic conditions have characterized  
4 the San Joaquin Valley for decades.

5 (b) The San Joaquin Valley continues to struggle with  
6 unemployment and underemployment, even while other  
7 regions of the state have experienced an economic  
8 recovery.

9 (c) In the San Joaquin Valley, population growth  
10 outpaces job growth and creates other concerns that  
11 result from an agriculture-reliant economy.

12 (d) The combined efforts of the Center for Advanced  
13 Research and Technology, the Central Valley Research  
14 and Technology Park, and the Central Valley Business  
15 Incubator, Inc. are uniquely poised to improve the  
16 region’s distressed economy.

17 (e) This public-private partnership is designed to  
18 develop a work force prepared for tomorrow’s  
19 high-skilled jobs, attract high-technology businesses and  
20 their well-paying jobs to the region, and create  
21 entrepreneurial firms that stimulate economic  
22 diversification and job creation.

23 ~~SEC. 2. The sum of seven million five hundred  
24 thousand dollars (\$7,500,000) is hereby appropriated  
25 from the General Fund to the Center for Advanced  
26 Research and Technology, the Central Valley Research  
27 and Technology Park, and the Central Valley Business  
28 Incubator, Inc. to complete the development of projects  
29 in the San Joaquin Valley that would encourage economic  
30 growth in the area.~~



1 SEC. 2. If the sum of seven million five hundred  
2 thousand dollars (\$7,500,000) is appropriated in the  
3 Budget Act of 2000 for the purposes of improving the  
4 economic conditions of the San Joaquin Valley, it is the  
5 intent of the Legislature that this sum be allocated as  
6 follows: three million five hundred thousand dollars  
7 (\$3,500,000) to the City of Clovis for the acquisition of  
8 land to develop the Central Valley Research and  
9 Technology Park; two million dollars (\$2,000,000) to the  
10 Center for Advanced Research and Technology to  
11 develop curriculum and instructional information  
12 management systems; and two million dollars  
13 (\$2,000,000) to the Central Valley Business Incubator for  
14 the construction of a new incubator facility.

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