

## Senate Bill No. 1266

### CHAPTER 189

An act to add Section 35041.3 to the Education Code, relating to the selective service.

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#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1266, Knight. Selective Service Act: registration: high school.

Existing law authorizes school districts to appoint prescribed staff, including, but not limited to, police reserve officers, administrative advisors, and legal counsel.

This bill would provide that a governing board of a school district should, but is not required to, make every reasonable effort to appoint a selective services registrar for each high school, who may be a school employee or a school volunteer who is 18 years of age or older, to help pupils subject to the federal Military Selective Service Act enrolled in the high school register in accordance with that act.

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

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

(a) Under federal law, a young man is required to register with the Selective Service pursuant to the federal Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. App. 451 et seq.) within 30 days of his 18th birthday.

(b) Under federal law, failure to register is a felony punishable by a fine of up to two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), imprisonment for up to five years, or both the fine and imprisonment.

(c) Under federal law, registration with the Selective Service is a condition of eligibility for federal student loans and federal job training.

(d) Under California law, registration is required for a student to be eligible for state student financial aid and for appointment to many state and local government jobs.

(e) Every effort must be made to ensure that young men are aware of, and fulfill, their obligation to register for the Selective Service.

SEC. 2. Section 35041.3 is added to the Education Code, to read:

35041.3. (a) A governing board of a school district should, but is not required to, make every reasonable effort to appoint a selective service registrar for each high school. The selective service registrar may be an employee of the high school where he or she is appointed



or a school volunteer who is 18 years of age or older. The duty of the selective service registrar is to help pupils subject to the federal Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. App. 451 et seq.) enrolled in the high school register in accordance with that act.

(b) A school district should, but is not required to, make every reasonable effort to inform pupils enrolled with the district who are subject to the federal Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. App. 451 et seq.) of all of the following:

- (1) The importance of meeting one's Selective Service obligations.
- (2) The consequences of not registering as required under the federal Military Selective Service Act.
- (3) How to register with the Selective Service.

