

## Senate Bill No. 232

### CHAPTER 292

An act to amend Sections 99200 and 99206 of the Education Code, relating to instructional strategies.

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#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 232, Ducheny. Instructional strategies: subject matter projects.

Existing law provides for the establishment and maintenance of 6 subject matter projects by the Regents of the University of California with the approval of the Concurrence Committee. Existing law provides that these subject matter projects are to create opportunities for researchers, higher education faculty, and elementary and secondary school faculty to work together to identify exemplary teaching practices, examine and develop research on learning, knowledge, and educational materials, and to provide support to teachers to develop and enhance content knowledge and pedagogical skills. Under existing law, these projects become inoperative on June 30, 2007, and are repealed on January 1, 2008.

This bill would require the Concurrence Committee to provide a final report to the Governor and to appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature on or before January 1, 2011, including specified information relating to the subject matter projects. The bill would delete obsolete language relating to an independent note changes of the subject matter projects that was required to be completed prior to February 1, 2006. The bill would extend the date on which those projects become inoperative to June 30, 2012, and the repeal date to January 1, 2013, thus extending the existence of these projects by 5 years.

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

SECTION 1. Section 99200 of the Education Code is amended to read:

99200. (a) With funds appropriated therefor, and with the approval of the Concurrence Committee, the Regents of the University of California shall establish and maintain cooperative endeavors designed to accomplish the following:

- (1) Develop and enhance teachers' subject matter and content knowledge in the subject matter areas specified in Section 99201.
- (2) Develop and enhance teachers' instructional strategies to improve student learning and academic performance as measured against State Board

of Education standards adopted pursuant to Section 60605 and, where applicable, to standards adopted pursuant to Section 60811.

(3) Provide teachers with instructional strategies for working with English learners.

(4) Provide teachers with access to and opportunity to examine current research that is demonstrably linked to improved student learning and achievement as measured by performance levels on state tests administered pursuant to Section 60605 or on English language development assessments developed, pursuant to Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 60810) of Part 33 of Division 4 of Title 2, for English language learners.

(5) Maintain subject-specific professional communities that create and encourage ongoing opportunities for teacher learning and research.

(6) Develop and deploy as teacher leaders, teachers with demonstrated levels of expertise in the classroom and certifiable levels of content knowledge.

(b) The duties of the Concurrence Committee shall include, but need not be limited to, all of the following:

(1) Ensuring that the statewide and local subject matter projects comply with requirements of this chapter.

(2) Developing rules and regulations for the statewide subject matter projects.

(3) Providing a final report to the Governor and to appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature on or before January 1, 2011, on the subject matter projects. The report shall include, but need not be limited to, all of the following information, compiled for a four-year period:

(A) The number, and level of experience, of participants in each subject matter project.

(B) The total amount of funds expended, on an annual basis, for each subject matter project.

(C) An explanation of the type of professional development activities offered pursuant to each subject matter project.

(D) A list including the name and location of each school affiliated with a subject matter project.

(c) Grants to establish local sites of statewide subject matter projects shall be available to institutions of higher education, county offices of education and school districts, or any combination thereof, with a subject matter proposal approved pursuant to this article. Once established, each subject matter project shall be administered by the University of California in cooperation with the Concurrence Committee. Local sites of statewide subject matter projects shall be distributed throughout the state so that elementary, secondary, and postsecondary school personnel located in rural, urban, and suburban areas may avail themselves of subject matter projects.

(d) The Concurrence Committee shall be composed of individuals who are affiliated with leadership, management, or instruction, in education or education policy entities and shall be selected as follows:

(1) One representative selected by the Regents of the University of California.

(2) One representative selected by the Board of Trustees of the California State University.

(3) Two representatives selected by the State Board of Education, at least one of whom has significant experience with direct classroom instruction.

(4) One representative selected by the Governor.

(5) One representative selected by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

(6) One representative selected by the Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission.

(7) One representative of the California Community Colleges selected by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

(8) One representative of an independent postsecondary institution selected by the Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities.

SEC. 2. Section 99206 of the Education Code is amended to read:

99206. This article shall become inoperative on June 30, 2012, and, as of January 1, 2013, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute that is enacted before January 1, 2013, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.