

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2265

Introduced by Assembly Member Salas

February 18, 2010

An act to add Sections 60905, 60905.1, 60905.2, and 60905.3 to the Education Code, relating to public school instruction.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2265, as introduced, Salas. Pupil achievement: California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System.

Existing law requires the State Department of Education to contract for the development of proposals that will provide for the retention and analysis of longitudinal pupil achievement data on the STAR Program, English language development tests, and the high school exit examination, known as the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System.

This bill would require the department to allocate specified funding, subject to funds being appropriated in the annual Budget Act, as part of a local data management support program, to local educational agencies and direct-funded charter schools that complete specified acts. Local educational agencies and direct-funded charter schools would be limited in the use of these funds for specified activities.

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 60905 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:

1 60905. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

2 (a) California’s multibillion dollar educational enterprise for
3 kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, of California is held
4 accountable based on data received from local educational agencies.

5 (b) National and state educational reform efforts revolve around
6 using data at both the state and local levels to inform better
7 decisions.

8 (c) The feasibility study report developed pursuant to subdivision
9 (a) of Section 60900 found that poor quality data submitted by
10 local educational agencies is a high impact risk to the California
11 Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System.

12 (d) The California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System
13 can provide more accurate graduation and dropout rate information
14 if local educational agencies and direct-funded charter schools
15 provide quality data to the system through statewide pupil
16 identifiers.

17 SEC. 2. Section 60905.1 is added to the Education Code, to
18 read:

19 60905.1. It is the intent of the Legislature to support local
20 educational agency data management activities to enhance the
21 quality of the data that is used locally and submitted to meet state
22 and federal reporting and accountability requirements.

23 SEC. 3. Section 60905.2 is added to the Education Code, to
24 read:

25 60905.2. (a) In order to support the requirements specified in
26 subdivision (e) of Section 60900, local educational agencies and
27 direct-funded charter schools may receive a local data management
28 support program annual grant, subject to funds being appropriated
29 for this purpose in the annual Budget Act, as follows:

30 (1) Local educational agencies and direct-funded charter schools
31 with enrollment of between 1 and 1,000 shall receive five thousand
32 dollars (\$5,000) annually.

33 (2) Local educational agencies and direct-funded charter schools
34 with enrollment of 1,001 or greater shall receive at least five dollars
35 (\$5) per pupil enrolled within the agency, based on the annual
36 enrollment update for the prior year, as certified by the department.

37 (3) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

38 (A) “Direct-funded charter school” means a charter school that
39 elects to receive its funding directly pursuant to Section 47651.

1 (B) “Enrollment” means enrollment certified in the prior year
2 for the California Basic Education Data System.

3 (4) If funds appropriated in the annual Budget Act are
4 insufficient to provide full funding to implement this section, the
5 department shall prorate the rates specified in paragraphs (1) and
6 (2).

7 (b) The department shall allocate this funding annually to local
8 educational agencies and direct-funded charter schools that do all
9 of the following:

10 (1) Resolve anomalies related to the statewide pupil identifier
11 required by paragraph (5) of subdivision (e) of Section 60900
12 assigned to enrolled pupils in order to maintain a validity rate
13 specified by the Superintendent.

14 (2) Include the statewide pupil identifier on the transcript of
15 each pupil.

16 (3) Maintain one generic electronic mail address for local data
17 management or information technology directors or personnel in
18 order to facilitate communication between the department and the
19 appropriate personnel of the local educational agency.

20 SEC. 4. Section 60905.3 is added to the Education Code, to
21 read:

22 60905.3. Local educational agencies and direct-funded charter
23 schools shall use funds received pursuant to Section 60905.2 to
24 support staff, hardware and software acquisitions, training, and
25 other activities related to meeting the requirements specified in
26 subdivision (e) of Section 60900.