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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1853

Introduced by Assembly Member Bonilla

February 22, 2012

An act to ~~amend Section 8007 of~~ *add Section 44255 to* the Education Code, relating to ~~career technical education~~ *teacher credentialing*.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1853, as amended, Bonilla. ~~Career technical education: reports.~~
Teacher credentialing: transitional kindergarten certificate.

Existing law requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to establish standards and to determine the terms for the issuance and renewal of teaching credentials, certificates, and permits, as specified.

This bill would require the commission, in consultation with specified representatives, to establish standards for the issuance of a transitional kindergarten certificate and a transitional kindergarten specialized training recognition, as specified, that would authorize the holder of a teaching credential to provide instruction to pupils in transitional kindergarten. The bill would provide that a school district, a county office of education, a community college district, the California State University, the University of California, or a regionally accredited college or university that is approved by the commission may sponsor a transitional kindergarten certificate or transitional kindergarten specialized training recognition program. The bill also would allow the commission to develop rules and regulations for the approval of a training program leading to the issuance of a transitional kindergarten certificate, a transitional kindergarten specialized training recognition, or both, and would require the commission to issue a transitional

kindergarten certificate or a transitional kindergarten specialized training recognition to a holder of a teaching credential who meets the established standards.

~~Existing law requires the State Department of Education and the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges to submit to the Legislature an annual descriptive report containing information on career technical education and technical training programs and an annual individual program evaluation containing specified information on program effectiveness.~~

~~This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to this provision.~~

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 44255 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:

3 44255. (a) The commission, in consultation with
4 representatives from the department, school districts, county offices
5 of education, the California Community Colleges, the California
6 State University, the University of California, and the Association
7 of Independent California Colleges and Universities, shall establish
8 standards for the issuance of the following:

9 (1) A transitional kindergarten certificate that authorizes a
10 teacher who possesses a valid multiple-subject credential to
11 provide instruction to pupils in transitional kindergarten, as
12 defined in subdivision (d) of Section 48000.

13 (2) A transitional kindergarten “specialized training
14 recognition” that authorizes a candidate for a multiple-subject
15 credential, upon issuance of that credential, to provide instruction
16 to pupils in transitional kindergarten, as defined in subdivision
17 (d) of Section 48000.

18 (b) A school district, a county office of education, a community
19 college district, the California State University, the University of
20 California, or a regionally accredited college or university that is
21 approved by the commission may sponsor a program that meets
22 the standards established pursuant to this section.

23 (c) The commission may develop rules and regulations for the
24 approval of a training program leading to a transitional

1 *kindergarten certificate, a transitional kindergarten specialized*
2 *training recognition, or both, issued pursuant to this section.*

3 *(d) The commission shall issue a transitional kindergarten*
4 *certificate or a transitional kindergarten specialized training*
5 *recognition to a holder of a teaching credential who meets the*
6 *standards established pursuant to this section.*

7 *(e) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require a*
8 *teacher to apply for or to obtain a transitional kindergarten*
9 *certificate or a transitional kindergarten specialized training*
10 *recognition.*

11 SECTION 1. Section 8007 of the Education Code is amended
12 to read:

13 8007. ~~The department and the Board of Governors of the~~
14 ~~California Community Colleges shall submit the following reports~~
15 ~~each year to the Legislature:~~

16 ~~(a) An annual descriptive report containing information on~~
17 ~~career technical education and technical training programs,~~
18 ~~including regional occupational centers and programs. The report~~
19 ~~shall be coordinated with federal evaluation requirements pursuant~~
20 ~~to Section 113 of Title I of the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and~~
21 ~~Technical Education Act of 1998 (P.L. 105-332; 20 U.S.C. Sec.~~
22 ~~2323) and shall contain all of the following:~~

23 ~~(1) Enrollment defined in terms of secondary pupils,~~
24 ~~postsecondary students, and adults.~~

25 ~~(2) The number of graduates of programs and students~~
26 ~~participating in career technical education.~~

27 ~~(3) The number of pupils participating in career technical~~
28 ~~education.~~

29 ~~(4) The number of pupils completing a specific career technical~~
30 ~~education program.~~

31 ~~(5) The number of pupils in grade 12 that complete a career~~
32 ~~technical education program.~~

33 ~~(6) The number of pupils in grade 12 that complete a career~~
34 ~~technical education program and earn a high school diploma.~~

35 ~~(b) An annual individual program evaluation derived from a~~
36 ~~representative sample of participating districts and schools~~
37 ~~containing information on program effectiveness as measured by:~~

38 ~~(1) The extent to which persons who complete the program find~~
39 ~~employment in occupations related to their training.~~

- 1 ~~(2) Other factors as determined in Budget Act language pursuant~~
- 2 ~~to Section 33404.~~
- 3 ~~(e) A copy of the annual state plan for career technical education.~~