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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 933**

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**Introduced by Senator Machado**

February 22, 2005

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An act to amend ~~Section 44325~~ *Sections 44325 and 44329* of the Education Code, relating to teacher credentialing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 933, as amended, Machado. Teacher credentialing: district interns.

Existing law authorizes the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, until January 1, 2008, to issue district intern credentials authorizing persons employed by any school district to provide classroom instruction to pupils with mild and moderate disabilities in special education classes.

This bill would require the commission, *until January 1, 2010*, to participate in a pilot program, which may include the San Joaquin County Office of Education and up to 5 school districts or consortia, to provide teacher preparation programs for teachers of pupils with disabilities in special education classes and would authorize the commission to issue district intern credentials authorizing participants in the programs to provide classroom instruction to pupils with disabilities in special education classes.

*Existing law requires the commission, on or before January 1, 2007, to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature that summarizes the regulations adopted by the commission to expand statewide the issuance of district intern certificates, as specified.*

*This bill would instead require that the report be submitted on or before January 1, 2009.*

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 44325 of the Education Code is  
2 amended to read:  
3 44325. (a) ~~The Commission on Teacher Credentialing~~  
4 *commission* shall issue district intern credentials authorizing  
5 persons employed by a school district that maintains kindergarten  
6 and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, or that maintains classes in  
7 bilingual education to provide classroom instruction to pupils in  
8 those grades and classes in accordance with the requirements of  
9 Section 44830.3. The commission, until January 1, 2008, also  
10 shall issue district intern credentials authorizing persons  
11 employed by a school district to provide classroom instruction to  
12 pupils with mild and moderate disabilities in special education  
13 classes, in accordance with the requirements of Section 44830.3.  
14 (b) Each district intern credential is valid for a period of two  
15 years. A credential may be valid for three years if the intern is  
16 participating in a program that leads to the attainment of a  
17 specialist credential to teach pupils with mild and moderate  
18 disabilities or four years if the intern is participating in a program  
19 that leads to the attainment of both a multiple subject or single  
20 subject teaching credential and a specialist credential to teach  
21 pupils with mild and moderate disabilities. Upon the  
22 recommendation of the school district, the commission may grant  
23 a one-year extension of the district intern credential.  
24 (c) The commission shall require each applicant for a district  
25 intern credential to demonstrate that he or she meets all of the  
26 following minimum qualifications for that credential:  
27 (1) The possession of a baccalaureate degree conferred by a  
28 regionally accredited institution of postsecondary education.  
29 (2) The successful passage of the state basic skills proficiency  
30 test administered under Sections 44252 and 44252.5.  
31 (3) The successful completion of the appropriate subject  
32 matter examination administered by the commission, or a  
33 commission-approved subject matter preparation program for the  
34 subject areas in which the district intern is authorized to teach.

1 (4) The oral language component of the assessment program  
2 leading to the bilingual-crosscultural language and academic  
3 development certificate for persons seeking a district intern  
4 credential to teach bilingual education classes.

5 (d) The commission shall apply the requirements of Sections  
6 44339, 44340, and 44341 to each applicant for a district intern  
7 credential.

8 (e) The commission shall, until January 1, ~~2008~~ 2010,  
9 participate in a pilot program, which may include the San  
10 Joaquin County Office of Education and up to five school  
11 districts or consortia approved by the commission, to provide  
12 teacher preparation programs for teachers of pupils with  
13 disabilities in special education classes. Notwithstanding  
14 subdivision (a), the commission shall issue district intern  
15 credentials authorizing participants in the approved programs to  
16 provide classroom instruction to pupils with disabilities in special  
17 education classes, in accordance with the requirements of Section  
18 44830.3.

19 ~~The Commission on Teacher Credentialing~~ *commission*  
20 shall ensure that each district internship program in California  
21 provides program elements to its interns as required by the  
22 federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Sec. 6301  
23 et seq.) and its implementing regulations.

24 *SEC. 2. Section 44329 of the Education Code is amended to*  
25 *read:*

26 44329. On or before January 1, ~~2007~~ 2009, the commission  
27 shall prepare and submit a report to the Legislature that  
28 summarizes the regulations adopted by the commission to  
29 expand statewide the issuance of district intern certificates that  
30 authorize classroom instruction to pupils with mild and moderate  
31 disabilities and the pilot program established by subdivision (e)  
32 of Section 44325. The report shall also analyze the effectiveness  
33 of persons who hold those certificates.