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SENATE BILL

No. 292

Introduced by Senator Padilla

February 14, 2011

An act to amend ~~Section~~ *Sections 66746 and 66747* of the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 292, as amended, Padilla. Public postsecondary education: community colleges: transfers.

The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act (*act*) requires the California State University to guarantee admission with junior status to a community college student who meets the requirements for the associate degree for transfer. A student admitted to the California State University pursuant to the act is entitled to receive priority over all other community college transfer students, excluding community college students who have entered into a transfer agreement between a community college and the California State University prior to the fall term of the 2012–13 academic year.

Existing law states the intent of the Legislature that specified categories be followed, insofar as practicable, in numeric order for the purposes of enrollment planning and admission priority practice at the undergraduate resident student level for the California State University and the University of California.

This bill would require that students admitted to the California State University pursuant to the act receive priority for purposes of enrollment *planning and admissions*, if the students have met the requirements of an approved transfer agreement consistent with this priority.

Existing law encourages community colleges to facilitate the acceptance of credits earned at other community colleges toward the associate degree for transfer.

This bill would instead require community colleges to accept credits earned at other community colleges toward the associate degree for transfer, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 66746 of the Education Code is amended
- 2 to read:
- 3 66746. (a) Commencing with the fall term of the 2011–12
- 4 academic year, a student who earns an associate degree for transfer
- 5 granted pursuant to subdivision (b) shall be deemed eligible for
- 6 transfer into a California State University baccalaureate program
- 7 when if the student meets both of the following requirements:
- 8 (1) Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are
- 9 eligible for transfer to the California State University, including
- 10 both of the following:
- 11 (A) The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum
- 12 (IGETC) or the California State University General
- 13 Education-Breadth Requirements.
- 14 (B) A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a
- 15 major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college
- 16 district.
- 17 (2) Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0.
- 18 (b) (1) As a condition of receipt of state apportionment funds,
- 19 a community college district shall develop and grant associate
- 20 degrees for transfer that meet the requirements of subdivision (a).
- 21 A community college district shall not impose any requirements

1 in addition to the requirements of this section, including any local
2 college or district requirements, for a student to be eligible for the
3 associate degree for transfer and subsequent admission to the
4 California State University pursuant to Section 66747.

5 (2) The condition of receipt of state apportionment funding
6 contained in paragraph (1) shall become inoperative if, by
7 December 31, 2010, each of the state's 72 community college
8 districts has submitted to the Chancellor of the California
9 Community Colleges, for transmission to the Director of Finance,
10 signed certification waiving, as a local agency request within the
11 meaning of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 6 of Article
12 XIII B of the California Constitution, any claim of reimbursement
13 related to the implementation of this article.

14 (c) A community college district is encouraged to consider the
15 local articulation agreements and other work between the respective
16 faculties from the affected community college and California State
17 University campuses in implementing the requirements of this
18 section.

19 (d) Community colleges ~~are encouraged to facilitate the~~
20 ~~acceptance of~~ *shall accept* credits earned at other community
21 colleges toward the associate degree for transfer pursuant to this
22 section.

23 (e) This section shall not preclude students who are assessed
24 below collegiate level from acquiring remedial noncollegiate level
25 coursework in preparation for obtaining the associate degree.
26 Remedial noncollegiate level coursework shall not be counted as
27 part of the transferable units required pursuant to paragraph (1) of
28 subdivision (a).

29 **SECTION 1.**

30 *SEC. 2.* Section 66747 of the Education Code is amended to
31 read:

32 66747. Notwithstanding Chapter 4 (commencing with Section
33 66201), the California State University shall guarantee admission
34 with junior status to a community college student who meets all
35 of the requirements of Section 66746. Admission to the California
36 State University, as provided under this article, does not guarantee
37 admission for specific majors or campuses. Notwithstanding
38 Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 66201), the California State
39 University shall grant a student priority admission to his or her
40 local California State University campus and to a program or major

1 that is similar to his or her community college major or area of
2 emphasis, as determined by the California State University campus
3 to which the student is admitted. A student admitted under this
4 article shall receive priority ~~in enrollment~~ *for purposes of*
5 *enrollment planning and admissions* in accordance with Section
6 66202 over all other community college transfer students,
7 excluding community college students who have entered into a
8 transfer agreement between a community college and the California
9 State University prior to the fall term of the 2012–13 academic
10 year. A student admitted pursuant to this article shall have met the
11 requirements of an approved transfer agreement consistent with
12 *subdivision (a) of Section 66202.*

13 *SEC. 3. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that*
14 *this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to*
15 *local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made*
16 *pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division*
17 *4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.*