

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 179

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Secretary of the Senate

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Deputy Secretary of State



RESOLUTION CHAPTER _____

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 179—Relative to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 179, Torlakson. California State University.

This measure would request the Trustees of the California State University to conduct a thorough and comprehensive study of the educational needs of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, including consideration of the expansion of programs and services, and the need for establishing a separate university at the Contra Costa campus of the California State University, Hayward. The measure also would request the trustees to conduct a needs assessment for the expansion of programs and services at that campus, including the specific elements required by the California Postsecondary Education Commission. The measure would request that the needs assessment incorporate a detailed survey including, among other things, a population projection, industry and income profiles, and an analysis of the educational needs of the area served by the Contra Costa campus. The measure would also request that the trustees review the results of the needs assessment and survey and forward the results of that review by May 1, 2001, to the California Postsecondary Education Commission for review.

WHEREAS, California faces a powerful enrollment demand surge for higher education in the coming decade that is generally referred to as “Tidal Wave II”; and

WHEREAS, The California Postsecondary Education Commission anticipates that 714,000 more Californians will seek a higher education between the years 2000 and 2010; and

WHEREAS, The California Postsecondary Education Commission anticipates a total enrollment demand



increase at the California State University of more than 129,000 students annually by the year 2010; and

WHEREAS, The California Postsecondary Education Commission has further found that economic conditions, educational reforms, progress in preparing students from all groups and locales for college, and other factors will converge to produce these historic increases in demand for higher education enrollment; and

WHEREAS, The commute facing students traveling from Contra Costa County to the nearest state university, California State University, Hayward, has grown increasingly difficult due to heavy traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, A significant increase in population is expected in Contra Costa County and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of the Legislature that public programs of postsecondary education be made available to qualified persons throughout this state, including areas with a substantial existing population or with a substantial projected population that are isolated from campuses of the California State University; and

WHEREAS, A Contra Costa campus, located in Concord, has been established as a satellite campus of California State University, Hayward, to provide added resources for the California State University system; and

WHEREAS, The Contra Costa campus of California State University, Hayward, provides students with upper division services and graduate courses at a unique campus setting on 384 acres; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Trustees of the California State University are requested to conduct a thorough and comprehensive study of the educational needs of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, including consideration of the expansion of programs and services, and the need for establishing a separate, independent university at the Contra Costa campus of California State University, Hayward; and be it further

Resolved, That, in connection with the expansion of the satellite campus, the Trustees of the California State



University are requested to conduct a needs assessment for the expansion of programs and services at the Contra Costa campus, including the specific elements required by the California Postsecondary Education Commission; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature requests that the needs assessment incorporate a detailed survey of the areas served by the Contra Costa campus and include, but not be limited to, a population projection, an industry and income profile, an analysis of the specific education program requirements of potentially qualified students, an assessment of the need for educational services at the upper division and graduate levels, and an assessment of the services currently provided by other public and private institutions of postsecondary education, including the University of California and the California Community Colleges; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature requests that the needs assessment and survey include the feasibility of collaborative arrangements between the Contra Costa Community College and California State University, Hayward; the development of additional facilities, including conference facilities; the impacts to the Concord community; and potential collaboration with public and private entities, including, but not necessarily limited to, local governments and health care providers; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature requests the Trustees of the California State University to review the results of the needs assessment and survey and forward the results of that review by May 1, 2001, to the California Postsecondary Education Commission for its review pursuant to Section 66904 of the Education Code.



Attest:

Secretary of State

