Early Learning and Care Infrastructure and Workforce Development Grants (Amends Education Code Sections 8280 and 8280.1)

SEC 1. 8280. (a) The Superintendent shall administer the Early Learning and Care Infrastructure Grant Program to expand access to early learning and care opportunities for children up to five years of age by providing resources to build new facilities or retrofit, renovate, or expand existing facilities pursuant to this section.

(b) Notwithstanding any other law, the Child Care Facilities Revolving Fund shall remain operative for the sole purpose of collecting deposits derived from the Child Care Facilities Revolving Fund program pursuant to Section 8278.3.

(1) The Superintendent shall deposit all revenue derived from the lease payments or renovation or repair loan payments into the Child Care Facilities Revolving Fund until December 31, 2029.

(2) Local educational agencies and contracting agencies using facilities purchased with funds pursuant to Section 8278.3 before December 31, 2019, shall be charged a leasing fee, either at fair market value for those facilities or at an amount sufficient to amortize the cost of purchase and relocation, whichever amount is lower, over a 10-year period. Upon full repayment of the purchase and relocation costs, title shall transfer from the State of California to the local educational agency or contracting agency. Loans for renovation or repair shall be repaid within a period that does not exceed 10 years.

(3) As of December 31, 2019, the remaining balance of the Child Care Facilities Revolving Fund shall be allocated as follows:

(A) The sum of ten million dollars ($10,000,000) shall be transferred to the Inclusive Early Education Expansion Program, pursuant to Section 8492.

(B) Following the transfer pursuant to subparagraph (A), the remaining balance shall be allocated for the purposes described in this section.

(C) Any balance derived from the ongoing deposits of the lease payments or renovation or repair loan payments after December 31, 2019, shall be allocated through the annual Budget Act process.

(c) The Superintendent shall award infrastructure grants on a competitive basis to early learning and care providers that are not local educational agencies, and operate as a licensed childcare center, preschool, or licensed family childcare home for the following purposes:

(1) Construction of new early learning and care facilities to increase capacity or recover lost capacity as a result of a state or federally declared disaster.

(2) Renovation, repair, modernization, or retrofitting of existing early learning and care facilities to increase capacity or recover lost capacity as a result of a state or federally declared disaster, or make existing early learning and care facilities more resilient for future natural disasters.

(3) Renovation, repair, modernization, or retrofitting of existing facilities for use as early learning and care facilities.

(4) Renovation, repair, modernization, or retrofitting of existing early learning and care facilities to address health and safety or other licensure needs to the extent the applicant can demonstrate a financial hardship, and that failure to correct the issues would result in an inability to provide care. Funds awarded in this category shall be limited to high-need providers based on criteria established by the Superintendent.

(d) The Superintendent shall require all of the following from applicants for the infrastructure grants:

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(1) A proposal to increase capacity and local access to subsidized early learning and care programs for children up to five years of age, including children with exceptional needs. The information shall quantify the number of additional children who will be provided with access to subsidized early learning and care programs.

(2) A plan to fiscally sustain the increase in subsidized spaces or programs created through the use of these funds. Subsidies may be funded with private, local, state, or federal funds, but shall be able to demonstrate reasonable expectations of sustainability.

(3) Specific activities and materials for which grant funding will be used.

(4) A description of how the applicant will measure outcomes associated with the proposal submitted pursuant to paragraph (1), as specified by the Superintendent.

(5) An outline of any potential challenges or barriers the applicant will experience or expect to experience in building capacity, including the need for any technical assistance to address the identified challenges or barriers.

(e) The Superintendent shall give priority for grant funding based on the following:

(1) Applicants with a demonstrated need for expanded access to subsidized early learning and care programs as measured by the ratio of children in subsidized early learning and care programs to eligible children in the applicant’s service area.

(2) Applicants in low-income communities, as measured by the proportion of children that qualify for state or federal subsidies for early learning and care programs.

(3) Applicants who plan to use grant funding to serve children that qualify for state or federal subsidies for early learning and care programs.

(4) Applicants serving children from birth to five years of age, inclusive, with exceptional needs in inclusive environments.

(5) Applicants wishing to recover lost capacity as a result of a state or federally declared disaster.

(f) Infrastructure grants may be used for one-time infrastructure costs only, including, but not limited to, universal design facility renovations, retrofitting to meet licensing requirements, the cost of design, engineering, testing, inspections, plan checking, construction management, site acquisition and development, evaluation and response action costs relating to hazardous substances at a new or existing site, demolition, construction, landscaping, or other related costs as determined by the Superintendent.

(g) The Superintendent shall determine the appropriate grant amount for each grantee, based upon factors that include, but are not limited to, the scope of the project, regional costs, the use of universal design to provide inclusive environments, the need to meet licensing requirements or health and safety standards, and the proportion of subsidized children to be served.

(h) The Superintendent shall establish the terms and conditions associated with accepting the infrastructure grant funds awarded pursuant to this section and determine a mechanism for recouping any grant moneys from grantees that do not adhere to those terms and conditions.

(i) The Superintendent shall establish a separate application and grant process for providing grant funds related to paragraph (4) of subdivision (c) that limits grantees to low-income providers who serve a minimum percentage of subsidized children. In establishing this process, the Superintendent shall consult with the State Department of Social Services to ensure grant funds are accessible to the highest need providers and shall consider the timeframe during which health and safety violations are cited and must be resolved.

(j) The grant program shall offer technical assistance to potential applicants before being awarded a grant that includes, but is not limited to, project development support and financial expertise, including assistance with coordinating financing from multiple sources.

(k) Infrastructure grant recipients shall commit to providing program data to the department, as specified by the Superintendent, and participate in overall program evaluation.
(1) There is hereby appropriated two hundred forty-five million dollars ($245,000,000) to the department from the General Fund for the infrastructure grant program established pursuant to this section to be released according to the following schedule: in the 2019-20 fiscal year,
(A) For the 2019–20 fiscal year, one hundred sixty-one million dollars ($161,000,000).
(B) For the 2020–21 fiscal year, twenty million dollars ($20,000,000).
(C) For the 2021–22 fiscal year, thirty-two million dollars ($32,000,000).
(D) For the 2022–23 fiscal year, thirty-two million dollars ($32,000,000).
(2) The Director of Finance may change the release of funds scheduled in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1), if deemed necessary. The director shall notify the Chairperson of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, or the chairperson’s designee, of the director’s intent to notify the Controller of the necessity to change the release of funds scheduled in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1). The total amount released shall not be greater or lesser than the amount appropriated in paragraph (1). The Controller shall make the funds available to the department not sooner than five days after receipt of this notification.
(3) The program established pursuant to this section shall be funded from funds appropriated in this section, funds transferred from the Child Care Facilities Revolving Fund pursuant to Section 8278.3, and federal funds appropriated for this purpose in the Budget Act of 2019. Notwithstanding Section 16304 of the Government Code, of the amount appropriated for this program, the Superintendent shall allocate the funds available for the grants through the 2023–24 fiscal year, in approximately equal amounts each fiscal year as follows:
(A) In the 2019–20 fiscal year, for licensed early learning and care centers that are not local educational agencies, pursuant to this section.
(B) In each fiscal year thereafter, for all licensed early learning and care providers, including licensed family childcare home providers, to the extent the process described in subdivision (n) is complete.
(C) In each fiscal year, up to 5 percent of the amount provided for this program shall be used for the renovation, repair, modernization, or retrofitting of existing early learning and care facilities to address health and safety or other licensure needs pursuant to the process established pursuant to subdivision (i).
(m) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Superintendent, with the concurrence of the executive director of the state board, shall recommend to the Department of Finance and the budget committees of the Legislature by January 1, 2021, any changes to the funding methodology in this section related to the recommendations and priorities provided pursuant to Section 8207.
(n) Before March 1, 2020, the Superintendent, with the concurrence of the Department of Finance, shall establish an appropriate method, process, and structure for grant management, fiscal accountability, and technical assistance and supports for grantees that ensures transparency and accountability in the use of state funds. The Superintendent may set aside up to 5 percent of the total amount appropriated for the program to contract with one or more community development financial intermediaries, state financial entities, or other community-based organizations for these purposes. Beginning in the 2020–21 fiscal year, the Legislature may reassess the total amount set aside for purposes of this subdivision. The Superintendent shall notify the Joint Legislative Budget Committee when this process is established.
(o) For purposes of this section, “state or federally declared disaster” means counties where early learning and care providers are operating subject to a Presidential declaration of an emergency or major disaster, pursuant to the federal Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 5121 et seq.), or a Governor’s Proclamation, on behalf of the impacted local government, as authorized by the powers authorized by the California Emergency Services Act (Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 8550) of Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code).
(p) The Superintendent shall provide annual reports, until December 31, 2025, to the Governor and the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature on any recommendations for consideration in future budgets, the impact of the grant program in achieving the goals described in this section, recommendations as to whether the program should receive additional appropriations, and any changes that should be considered.

8280.1. (a) The Superintendent shall administer the Early Learning and Care Workforce Development Grants Program to expand the number of qualified early learning and care professionals and increase the educational credentials of existing early learning and care professionals across the state, pursuant to this section.
(b) (1) There is hereby appropriated one hundred fifty million dollars ($150,000,000) to the department from the General Fund for the competitive workforce development grants program established pursuant to this section to be released according to the following schedule: in the 2019-20 fiscal year.
(A) For the 2019–20 fiscal year, eighty-four million dollars (84,000,000).
(B) For the 2020–21 fiscal year, twenty-two million dollars ($22,000,000).
(C) For the 2021–22 fiscal year, twenty-two million dollars ($22,000,000).
(D) For the 2022–23 fiscal year, twenty-two million dollars ($22,000,000).
(2) The Director of Finance may change the release of funds scheduled in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1), if deemed necessary. The director shall notify the Chairperson of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, or the chairperson’s designee, of the director’s intent to notify the Controller of the necessity to change the release of funds scheduled in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1). The total amount released shall not be greater or lesser than the amount appropriated in paragraph (1). The Controller shall make the funds available to the department not sooner than five days after receipt of this notification.
(3) Notwithstanding Section 16304 of the Government Code, of the amount appropriated for this program in this subdivision, the Superintendent shall allocate the funds available for the grants through the 2023–24 fiscal year, in approximately equal amounts each fiscal year.
(c) The Superintendent shall award and administer the workforce development grants to local, regional, or local and regional quality improvement partnerships, as defined by the Superintendent, consistent with the Quality Rating and Improvement System local consortia, as defined in Section 8203.1, representing all counties of the state. A local, regional, or local and regional quality improvement partnership may form a consortium with one or more regional partners. All local, regional, or local and regional quality improvement partnerships shall submit a plan to the department that describes how they will allocate funds and increase the number, qualifications, and competencies of early learning and care professionals in their county or region. The plan shall also describe how local partnerships will engage in collaborative partnerships with their members, local governmental agencies, businesses, nonprofit organizations, or other interested partners to improve the educational attainment of early learning and care professionals in their county or region, including those working in centers, family childcare homes, and license-exempt settings that serve a majority of children who receive subsidized early learning and care services or are eligible to received subsidized early learning and care services, pursuant to this chapter.
(d) Workforce development grant award amounts shall be determined based on the following criteria:
(1) Demonstrated need for early learning and care professionals in each county or region.
(2) The cost of living in each county or region.
(3) The number of children under 13 years of age in each county or region who are in a family whose income is up to 85 percent of the state median income.
(e) Workforce development grants may be used for costs associated with the educational expenses of current and future early learning and care professionals that move those
professionals along the early learning and care career lattice and support their attainment of increased education or English language proficiency, as well as professional development in early childhood instruction, child development, including developing competencies in serving children with exceptional needs and dual language learners. Allowable uses of funds include:

1. Tuition, supplies, and other related educational expenses.
2. Transportation and childcare costs incurred as a result of attending classes.
3. Substitute teacher pay for early learning and care professionals that are currently working in a subsidized early learning and care setting.
4. Stipends and professional development expenses, aligned to the Quality Counts California professional development system in that area, as determined by the Superintendent.
5. Career, course, and professional development coaching, counseling, and navigation services.
6. Other educational expenses as determined by the Superintendent.

Local, regional, or local and regional quality improvement partnerships awarded funding pursuant to this section may partner with local or online accredited higher education institutions, local agencies that provide high-quality, credit-bearing trainings, or apprenticeship programs that integrate and embed higher education coursework with on-the-job training of professionals.

(g) The Superintendent may set aside no more than 1 percent of the total funding appropriated for the Early Learning and Care Workforce Development Grants Program to provide technical assistance and support for grantees and potential grantees on developing proposals for and implementing workforce development grants.

(h) Local, regional, or local and regional quality improvement partnerships receiving grants shall commit to providing program data to the department, as specified by the Superintendent, including, but not limited to, recipient information, educational progress, and employment status, and participate in overall program evaluation.

(i) The Superintendent shall provide a report to the Governor as well as the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature by October 1, 2020, and annually thereafter through the 2023–24 fiscal year, on the expenditure of funds as well as relevant outcome data in order to evaluate the impact of the program.

(j) The competitive workforce development grants program established pursuant to this section shall be funded from funds appropriated in this section.

(k) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Superintendent, with the concurrence of the executive director of the state board, shall recommend to the Department of Finance and the budget committees of the Legislature by January 1, 2021, any changes to the funding methodology in this section related to the recommendations and priorities provided pursuant to Section 8207.

Five Year Limit for LCFF Apportionment Funding Adjustments (Amends Education Code Section 14002)

SEC 2. 14002. (a) (1) Notwithstanding any other law, upon certification of the Superintendent pursuant to Sections 41330, 41332, and 41335, any amount necessary to meet the requirements of programs specified in subdivision (b) during each fiscal year are hereby continuously appropriated from the General Fund to Section A of the State School Fund for allocation by the Controller.

(2) The amounts calculated for the programs specified in subdivision (b) are considered final as of the certification of the second principal apportionment in the fifth succeeding fiscal year, inclusive, of the fiscal year for which the adjustment is being made. Final submissions shall be submitted pursuant to procedures and timeframes established by the Superintendent. This paragraph does not apply to a change that is the result of an audit exception as described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 41341.
(b) Programs included for purposes of this section are all of the following:
(1) Chapter 12.5 (commencing with Section 2574) of Part 2.
(2) Section 41544.
(3) Article 2 (commencing with Section 42238) of Chapter 7 of Part 24 of Division 3 of Title 2.
(4) Section 47663.
(5) Article 7 (commencing with Section 48300) of Chapter 2 of Part 27 of Division 4 of Title 2.
(6) Article 10 (commencing with Section 48350) of Chapter 2 of Part 27 of Division 4 of Title 2.
(c) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), commencing with the 2019–20 fiscal year, if, for an
upcoming fiscal year, the total amount necessary to meet the requirements of the programs
specified in subdivision (b) is projected to be in excess of 89 percent of the General Fund and
Education Protection Account revenues and allocated proceeds of taxes that are necessary to
meet the requirements of Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, excluding
appropriations made to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges for allocation to
community college districts, then before the enactment of the annual Budget Act for that fiscal
year, the Director of Finance may reduce the following to a percentage equal to or greater than
the projected growth rate of the minimum amount necessary to meet the requirements of
Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, but not less than zero:
(A) The adjustments required pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 2574,
subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of Section 2574, subdivision (b) of Section
2575.1, paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 42238.02, and Section 42287.
(B) The inflation or cost-of-living adjustment otherwise authorized or required for all of the
following programs:
(i) Subdivision (b) of Section 8265.
(ii) Subdivision (c) of Section 49536.
(iii) Subdivision (f) of Section 56836.08.
(iv) Subdivision (d) of Section 17581.6 of the Government Code.
(2) The percentage reductions made pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) shall be no
less than the percentage reductions made pursuant to subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1).
(3) This subdivision shall not be construed to change the adjustment identified in paragraph (2)
of subdivision (d) of Section 42238.02 for a prior fiscal year.
(4) Notwithstanding Section 10231.5 of the Government Code, the Director of Finance shall
report to the Legislature, consistent with Section 9795 of the Government Code, before the
enactment of the annual Budget Act each fiscal year any amounts or percentages reduced from
inflation or cost-of-living adjustments pursuant to paragraph (1) for the upcoming fiscal year.

Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant Program (Amends Education Code Section 17375)

SEC 3. 17375. (a) (1) The Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Grant Program is hereby established,
under the administration of the State Allocation Board pursuant to the requirements of this
section, to provide one-time grants to school districts to construct new school facilities or retrofit
existing school facilities for the purpose of providing full-day kindergarten classrooms pursuant
to Section 8973.
(2) Moneys appropriated pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the Full-Day Kindergarten
Facilities Account, hereby created in the State Treasury, administered by the State Allocation
Board.
(3) For the 2018–19 fiscal year, the sum of one hundred million dollars ($100,000,000) is hereby
appropriated from the General Fund to the State Allocation Board to provide one-time grants as
specified in this section.
(4) (A) For the 2019–20 fiscal year, the sum of one hundred fifty million dollars ($150,000,000)
is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Allocation Board to provide one-time
grants as specified in this section. Additionally, one hundred fifty million dollars ($150,000,000)
is appropriated from the General Fund to the State Allocation Board to provide one-time grants as specified in Article 7.5 commencing with Section 17376. These funds shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure by the State Allocation Board until June 30, 2022.

(B) (i) Of the moneys allocated to a school district from the appropriation made pursuant to this paragraph, savings and interest achieved upon full completion of an approved project, and as a result of a school district’s efficient and prudent expenditure of the moneys allocated, may be used for professional development or instructional materials to build capacity for the implementation of a full-day kindergarten program, or high priority capital outlay purposes identified by the school district and in accordance with subdivision (f), associated regulations, and any accompanying grant agreement.

(ii) Notwithstanding any other law, for purposes of the funds appropriated by this paragraph only, a school district may retain and use savings and interest pursuant to clause (i) even if it receives financial hardship assistance pursuant to Section 17075.10.

(iii) Savings and interest retained by a school district must be expended within one year of project completion or returned to the state as defined by associated regulations and any accompanying grant agreement.

(C) For purposes of this section and for the 2019–20 and 2020–21 fiscal years, funds appropriated in this paragraph shall be limited to schoolsites that did not offer a full-day kindergarten program as of July 1, 2019, and will use the funding to convert a part-day kindergarten program to a full-day kindergarten program. For any funds remaining after the 2020–21 fiscal year, this subparagraph shall not apply.

(5) New school facilities built pursuant to this section shall not be included in the eligibility determination used for purposes of the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998 (Chapter 12.5 (commencing with Section 17070.10) of Part 10).

(b) (1) The State Allocation Board shall award grants to school districts that lack the facilities to provide full-day kindergarten as required for eligibility pursuant to Sections 17071.25 and 17072.10 or that lack facilities that satisfy the design requirements required for new kindergarten classrooms as specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (h) of Section 14030 of Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations.

(2) Priority for grants shall be given to school districts that meet either of the following criteria:

(A) The school district is financially unable to contribute a portion of, or all of, the local matching share required pursuant to paragraph (3), and meets the requirements for financial hardship pursuant to Section 17075.10.

(B) The school district is located in an underserved community with a high population of pupils who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 42238.01.

(3) Except for school districts that meet the requirements for financial hardship pursuant to Section 17075.10 and as specified in paragraph (4), a school district that applies for a grant pursuant to this section for new construction shall provide 50 percent of the cost of the project, and a school district that applies for a grant pursuant to this section for a retrofit project shall provide 40 percent of the cost of the project.

(4) Except for school districts that meet the requirements for financial hardship pursuant to Section 17075.10, a school district that will convert a part-day kindergarten program to a full-day kindergarten program shall provide 25 percent of the cost of the project whether the project is for new construction or retrofit. A school district that was awarded a grant from funds appropriated pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) and met the requirements of this paragraph shall have its grant amount adjusted from funds appropriated pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) to reflect this local match requirement.

(5) A school district seeking a grant from moneys in the Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Account shall provide the Office of Public School Construction with schoolsite enrollment data for the year in which its application is processed and the three immediately preceding years. The Office of Public School Construction shall use this data to verify the schoolsite’s overall need for
funding pursuant to this section based on the schoolsite’s enrollment patterns. As part of this verification, the Office of Public School Construction, in consultation with the State Department of Education, shall determine if the schoolsite’s need for funding shall be limited to retrofit projects.

(c) The State Allocation Board shall release disbursements of grant funds to school districts with approved applications for new construction or retrofit projects, to the extent funds are available for the state’s applicable matching share, if the school district has provided its applicable local matching share, unless the school district meets the requirements for financial hardship pursuant to Section 17075.10, and upon certification by the school district that the school district has entered into a binding contract for completion of the approved project.

(d) The State Allocation Board shall allocate funds to school districts using the same maximum grant eligibility amounts that are used for purposes of the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998 (Chapter 12.5 (commencing with Section 17070.10) of Part 10), as set forth in Sections 17072.10 and 17072.11 for new construction, and as set forth in Section 17074.10 for retrofit projects.

(e) As a condition of receiving grant funds pursuant to this section, and before the release of those funds, the school district shall execute and submit a grant agreement consistent with the applicable sections of the grant agreement specified in Section 1859.90.4 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations.

(f) (1) A school district may use grant funds awarded for new construction on costs necessary to adequately house kindergarten pupils in an approved project, which may include only the following:

(A) The costs of design, engineering, testing, inspections, plan checking, construction management, site acquisition and development, evaluation and response action costs relating to hazardous substances at a new or existing schoolsite, demolition, construction, landscaping, necessary utility costs, utility connections and other related fees, equipment including telecommunication equipment to increase school security, furnishings, the upgrading of electrical systems, and the wiring or cabling of classrooms in order to accommodate educational technology.

(B) The costs of acquiring an existing government-owned or privately owned building, or a privately financed school building, and the necessary costs of converting the government-owned or privately owned building for public school use.

(2) (A) A school district may use grant funds awarded for a retrofit project to retrofit an existing school facility to adequately house kindergarten pupils, which may only include the costs of design, engineering, testing, inspection, plan checking, construction management, demolition, construction, necessary utility costs, utility connection and other related fees, the purchase and installation of air-conditioning equipment and insulation materials and related costs, furniture and equipment, including telecommunication equipment to increase school security, fire safety improvements, playground safety improvements, the identification, assessment, or abatement of hazardous asbestos, seismic safety improvements, the upgrading of electrical systems, and the wiring or cabling of classrooms in order to accommodate educational technology.

(B) Grant funds awarded for a retrofit project shall not be used for costs associated with acquisition and development of real property or for routine maintenance and repair.

(g) The State Allocation Board may adopt regulations to implement this section. Any regulations adopted pursuant to this section may be adopted as emergency regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of the Title 2 of the Government Code). The adoption of these regulations shall be deemed to be an emergency and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, or general welfare.

(h) Notwithstanding any other law, a school district shall be subject, with regard to this section, to audit conducted pursuant to Section 41024.
(i) The Office of Public School Construction shall report to the Director of Finance, and shall post on its internet website, information regarding the use of grant funds that have been made available to school districts during each fiscal year grant funds are disbursed pursuant to this section. A final report shall also be issued after projects have been audited pursuant to Section 41024 and any savings have been spent or returned to the state.

(j) The Department of General Services may charge its administrative costs against the Full-Day Kindergarten Facilities Account, which shall be subject to the approval of the Department of Finance and which shall not exceed 2.5 percent of the account.

(k) Funds made available to school districts pursuant to this article shall supplement, not supplant, existing funds available for school facilities construction.

(l) For purposes of this section, kindergarten includes transitional kindergarten, as defined in Section 48000.

Eliminate Waivers for Skilled Workforce Requirement for Lease-Leaseback Contracts
(Amends Education Code Section 17407.5)

SEC 4. 17407.5. (a) The governing board of a school district shall not enter into an agreement pursuant to Section 17406 or 17407 with any entity unless the entity provides to the governing board of the school district an enforceable commitment that the entity and its subcontractors at every tier will use a skilled and trained workforce to perform all work on the project or contract that falls within an apprenticeable occupation in the building and construction trades, in accordance with Chapter 2.9 (commencing with Section 2600) of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code.

(b) Subdivision (a) shall not apply if any of the following requirements are met:

(1) The governing board of the school district has entered into a project labor agreement that will bind all contractors and subcontractors performing work on the project or contract to use a skilled and trained workforce and the entity agrees to be bound by that project labor agreement.

(2) The project or contract is being performed under the extension or renewal of a project labor agreement that was entered into by the school district prior to January 1, 2017.

(3) The entity has entered into a project labor agreement that will bind the entity and all its subcontractors at every tier performing the project or contract to use a skilled and trained workforce.

(c) For purposes of this section, “project labor agreement” has the same meaning as in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 2500 of the Public Contract Code.

(d) The requirements of this section shall not be waived by the state board pursuant to section 33050 or any other law.

Eliminate Approval by the State Board of Education for Joint Occupancy Agreements
(Amends Education Code Section 17524)

SEC 5. 17524. (a) After considering all proposals submitted, the governing board of the school district may, subject to Section 17525, select the plan or proposal that best meets the needs of the school district and enter into a contract incorporating that plan or proposal either as submitted or as revised by the governing board of the school district. However, the governing board shall not approve any proposal nor enter into a lease or contract incorporating a proposal until the governing board has submitted the proposal to the State Board of Education, and the State Board of Education has approved the proposal. The State Board of Education shall, within 45 days of the date of submission, notify the governing board of its approval or disapproval.

(b) The governing board shall require any person, firm, local governmental agency, as defined in paragraph (3) of subdivision (f) of Section 4420 of the Government Code, or corporation with
whom it enters into a lease or agreement pursuant to this article to file one of the following, as determined by the governing board:

1. A bond for the performance of the lease or agreement.
2. An irrevocable letter of credit issued by a state or national bank or a federal or state credit union for the performance of the lease or agreement.

**Limit Appeals to the State Board of Education Regarding School District Territory Transfers (Amends Education Code Sections 35709 and 35710.5)**

**SEC 6. 35709.** If the following conditions are met, the county committee may approve the petition and order that the petition be granted, and shall so notify the county board of supervisors:

- The county committee finds that the conditions enumerated in paragraphs (1) to (10), inclusive, of subdivision (a) of Section 35753 are substantially met, and:

- Either:
  - The governing board of each affected district consents to the transfer, and:
  
- Either:
  - The petition is to transfer uninhabited territory from one school district to another and the owner of the territory, or a majority of the owners of the territory, and the governing board of each affected district consents to the transfer; or
  
- The petition is to transfer inhabited territory of less than 10 percent of the assessed valuation of the school district from which the territory is being transferred, and the governing board of each affected district consents to the transfer.

**35710.5.** (a) An action by the county committee approving or disapproving a petition pursuant to Section 35709, 35710, or 35710.1 may be appealed to the State Board of Education by the chief petitioners or one or more affected school districts. The appeal shall be limited to issues of noncompliance with the provisions of Section 35705, 35706, 35709 subdivision (a), 35709 subdivision (b), or 35710. If an appeal is made as to the issue of whether the proposed transfer will adversely affect the racial or ethnic integration of the schools of the districts affected, it shall be made pursuant to Section 35711.

(b) Within five days after the final action of the county committee, the appellant shall file with the county committee a notice of appeal and shall provide a copy to the county superintendent of schools, except that if the appellant is one of the affected school districts it shall have 30 days to file the notice of appeal with the county committee and provide a copy to the county superintendent. Upon the filing of the notice of appeal, the action of the county committee shall be stayed, pending the outcome of the appeal. Within 15 days after the filing of the notice of appeal, the appellant shall file with the county committee a statement of reasons and factual evidence. The county committee shall then, within 15 days of receipt of the statement, send to the State Board of Education the statement and the complete administrative record of the county committee proceedings, including minutes of the oral proceedings.

(c) Upon receipt of the appeal, the State Board of Education may elect either to review the appeal, or to ratify the county committee’s decision by summarily denying review of the appeal. The board may review the appeal either solely on the administrative record or in conjunction with a public hearing. Following the review, the board shall affirm or reverse the action of the county committee, and if the petition will be sent to election, shall determine the territory in which the election is to be held. The board may reverse or modify the action of the county committee in any manner consistent with law.

(d) The decision of the board shall be sent to the county committee-which shall notify the county board of supervisors or the county superintendent of schools pursuant to Section 35709, 35710, or 35710.1, as appropriate.
(e) Notwithstanding provision (a), an appeal submitted pursuant to this section to the State Board of Education prior to July 1, 2020 may be based on noncompliance with one of the conditions of subdivision (c) of Section 35709.

Suspend Proposition 98 K-12/CCC Split (Amends Education Code Section 41203.1)

SEC 7. 41203.1. (a) For the 1990–91 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, allocations calculated pursuant to Section 41203 shall be distributed in accordance with calculations provided in this section. Notwithstanding Section 41203, and for purposes of this section, school districts, community college districts, and direct elementary and secondary level instructional services provided by the State of California shall be regarded as separate segments of public education, and each of these three segments of public education shall be entitled to receive respective shares of the amount calculated pursuant to Section 41203 as though the calculation made pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution were to be applied separately to each segment and the base year for purposes of this calculation under paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution were based on the 1989–90 fiscal year. Calculations made pursuant to this subdivision shall be made so that each segment of public education is entitled to the greater of the amounts calculated for that segment pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution.
(b) If the single calculation made pursuant to Section 41203 yields a guaranteed amount of funding that is less than the sum of the amounts calculated pursuant to subdivision (a), the amount calculated pursuant to Section 41203 shall be prorated for the three segments of public education.
(c) Notwithstanding any other law, this section does not apply to the 1992–93 to the 2019–2020-21 fiscal years, inclusive.

Revise Comprehensive Review Requirement from Six Months to Annual for Districts with an Emergency Apportionment (Amends Education Code Section 41327.1)

SEC 8. 41327.1. (a) The state board shall adopt and may periodically update by regulation a comprehensive list of professional and legal standards that all school districts are encouraged to use as a guide to conduct a good educational program and fiscal and management practices that shall be used as the basis of evaluating the improvement of qualifying school districts pursuant to this article. These standards shall, at a minimum, address all of the following areas:
(1) Financial management.
(2) Pupil achievement.
(3) Personnel management.
(4) Facilities management.
(5) Community relations.
(b) If an administrator is appointed pursuant to Section 41326, the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team established pursuant to Section 42127.8 shall conduct comprehensive assessments in the five areas specified in subdivision (a).
(c) After the assessments specified in subdivision (b) are completed, the county superintendent of schools, in consultation with the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, the Superintendent, and the president of the state board or his or her designee, shall determine, based upon the school district’s particular needs and circumstances, the level of improvement needed in the standards adopted pursuant to subdivision (a) before local authority will be returned pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 41326. Based upon this determination, the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team shall complete improvement
plans in the five areas specified in subdivision (a) that focus on the agreed upon standards, and that are consistent with the financial improvement plan.

(d) Beginning six months after an emergency loan is approved, and every six months annually thereafter until local authority is returned pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 41326, the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team shall file a written status report with the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the Legislature, the Members of the Legislature that represent the qualifying school district, any advisory council of the school district, the Superintendent, the county superintendent of schools, and the Director of Finance. The reports shall indicate the progress that the school district is making in meeting the recommendations of the improvement plans developed pursuant to this section.

(e) If the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team indicates in writing that it has insufficient resources to complete the comprehensive assessments, improvement plans, and progress reports required pursuant to this section, the county superintendent of schools shall request proposals to complete these tasks, and subject to the approval of the Department of Finance, select an entity to complete the tasks assigned to the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team pursuant to this section.

Conform to Five Year Limit for LCFF Apportionment Funding Adjustments (Amends Education Code Section 41341)

SEC 9. 41341. (a) (1) If, during any fiscal year, the amount apportioned to a school district or to any fund from Section A of the State School Fund differs either positively or negatively from the amount to which the school district or fund was entitled by an amount equal to the local control funding formula allocation pursuant to Section 42238.02, as implemented pursuant to Section 42238.03, for one unit of average daily attendance, the Superintendent, in accordance with regulations that he or she is hereby authorized to adopt, not later than the first succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year in which the computational error was made, shall withhold from, or add to, the apportionment made during that fiscal year, the amount of the excess or deficiency, as the case may be. Notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the contrary, excesses withheld or deficiencies added by the Superintendent pursuant to this subdivision shall be added to or allowed from any portion of the State School Fund.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), excesses may be withheld or deficiencies added to apportionments on account of audit exceptions in any fiscal year in which they are certified by the Superintendent, reported in an audit or review as described in subdivision (e) of Section 41344 or audit or review conducted by a certified public accountant or public accounting firm designated by a governmental agency that provided the local education agency with an opportunity to provide a written response.

(b) If, during any fiscal year, the amount apportioned to a community college district or to any fund from Section B of the State School Fund differs either positively or negatively from the amount to which the community college district or fund was entitled, by an amount equal to the funding of one full-time equivalent student, the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, in accordance with regulations that he or she is hereby authorized to adopt, not later than the first succeeding fiscal year from the fiscal year in which the computational error was made, shall withhold from, or add to, the apportionment made during that fiscal year, the amount of the excess or deficiency, as the case may be. Notwithstanding any other provision of this code to the contrary, excesses withheld or deficiencies added by the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges under this subdivision shall be added to or allowed from any portion of the State School Fund.
Reflect New Fiscal Risk Indicators and Technical Clean-up (Amends Education Code Sections 42127 and 42127.1)

SEC. 10. 42127. (a) On or before July 1 of each year, the governing board of each school district shall accomplish the following:

(1) Hold a public hearing conducted in accordance with Section 42103 on the budget to be adopted for the subsequent fiscal year. The budget to be adopted shall be prepared in accordance with Section 42126. The agenda for that hearing shall be posted at least 72 hours before the public hearing and shall include the location where the budget will be available for public inspection.

(2) (A) Adopt a budget. Not later than five days after that adoption or by July 1, whichever occurs first, the governing board of the school district shall file that budget with the county superintendent of schools. The budget and supporting data shall be maintained and made available for public review. If the governing board of the school district does not want all or a portion of the property tax requirement levied for the purpose of making payments for the interest and redemption charges on indebtedness as described in paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, the budget shall include a statement of the amount or portion for which a levy shall not be made. For the 2014–15 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, the governing board of the school district shall not adopt a budget before the governing board of the school district adopts a local control and accountability plan, if an existing local control and accountability plan or annual update to a local control and accountability plan is not effective for the budget year. The governing board of a school district shall not adopt a budget that does not include the expenditures necessary to implement the local control and accountability plan or the annual update to a local control and accountability plan that is effective for the budget year.

(B) Commencing with budgets adopted for the 2015–16 fiscal year, the governing board of a school district that proposes to adopt a budget that includes a combined assigned and unassigned ending fund balance in excess of the minimum recommended reserve for economic uncertainties adopted by the state board pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 33128, shall, at the public hearing held pursuant to paragraph (1), provide all of the following for public review and discussion:

(i) The minimum recommended reserve for economic uncertainties for each fiscal year identified in the budget.

(ii) The combined assigned and unassigned ending fund balances that are in excess of the minimum recommended reserve for economic uncertainties for each fiscal year identified in the budget.

(iii) A statement of reasons that substantiates the need for an assigned and unassigned ending fund balance that is in excess of the minimum recommended reserve for economic uncertainties for each fiscal year that the school district identifies an assigned and unassigned ending fund balance that is in excess of the minimum recommended reserve for economic uncertainties, as identified pursuant to clause (ii).

(C) The governing board of a school district shall include the information required pursuant to subparagraph (B) in its budgetary submission each time it files an adopted or revised budget with the county superintendent of schools. The information required pursuant to subparagraph (B) shall be maintained and made available for public review.

(b) The county superintendent of schools may accept changes in any statement included in the budget, pursuant to subdivision (a), of the amount or portion for which a property tax levy shall not be made. The county superintendent of schools or the county auditor shall compute the actual amounts to be levied on the property tax rolls of the school district for purposes that exceed apportionments to the school district pursuant to Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 95) of Part 0.5 of Division 1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code. Each school district shall
provide all data needed by the county superintendent of schools or the county auditor to
compute the amounts. On or before August 15, the county superintendent of schools shall
transmit the amounts computed to the county auditor who shall compute the tax rates necessary
to produce the amounts. On or before September 1, the county auditor shall submit the rate
computed to the board of supervisors for adoption.
(c) The county superintendent of schools shall do all of the following:
(1) Examine the adopted budget to determine whether it complies with the standards and
criteria adopted by the state board pursuant to Section 33127 for application to final local
educational agency budgets. The county superintendent of schools shall identify, if necessary,
technical corrections that are required to be made to bring the budget into compliance with
those standards and criteria.
(2) Determine whether the adopted budget will allow the school district to meet its financial
obligations during the fiscal year and is consistent with a financial plan that will enable the
school district to satisfy its multiyear financial commitments. In addition to his or her own
analysis of the budget of each school district, the county superintendent of schools shall review
and consider studies, reports, evaluations, or audits of the school district that were
commissioned by the school district, the county superintendent of schools, the Superintendent,
and state control agencies and that contain evidence that the school district is showing fiscal
distress under the standards and criteria adopted in Section 33127 or that contain a finding by
an external reviewer that the school district is at moderate or high risk based on the that more
than 3 of the 15 most common indicators predictors of a school district needing intervention, as
determined by the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, are present.
The county superintendent of schools shall either conditionally approve or disapprove a budget
that does not provide adequate assurance that the school district will meet its current and future
obligations and resolve any problems identified in studies, reports, evaluations, or audits
described in this paragraph.
(3) Determine whether the adopted budget includes the expenditures necessary to implement
the local control and accountability plan or annual update to the local control and accountability
plan approved by the county superintendent of schools.
(4) Determine whether the adopted budget includes a combined assigned and unassigned
ending fund balance that exceeds the minimum recommended reserve for economic
uncertainties. If the adopted budget includes a combined assigned and unassigned ending fund
balance that exceeds the minimum recommended reserve for economic uncertainties, the
county superintendent of schools shall verify that the school district complied with the
requirements of subparagraphs (B) and (C) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).
(d) (1) On or before September 15, the county superintendent of schools shall approve,
conditionally approve, or disapprove the adopted budget for each school district. For the 2014–
15 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, the county superintendent of schools shall
disapprove a budget if the county superintendent of schools determines that the budget does
not include the expenditures necessary to implement a local control and accountability plan or
an annual update to the local control and accountability plan approved by the county
superintendent of schools. If the governing board of a school district does not submit a budget
to the county superintendent of schools, the county superintendent of schools shall develop, at
school district expense, a budget for that school district by September 15 and transmit that
budget to the governing board of the school district. The budget prepared by the county
superintendent of schools shall be deemed adopted, unless the county superintendent of
schools approves any modifications made by the governing board of the school district. The
budget prepared by the county superintendent of schools shall also comply with the
requirements of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a). The approved budget
shall be used as a guide for the school district’s priorities. The Superintendent shall review and
certify the budget approved by the county. If, pursuant to the review conducted pursuant to
subdivision (c), the county superintendent of schools determines that the adopted budget for a school district does not satisfy paragraph (1), (2), (3), or (4) of that subdivision, he or she shall conditionally approve or disapprove the budget and, not later than September 15, transmit to the governing board of the school district, in writing, his or her recommendations regarding revision of the budget and the reasons for those recommendations, including, but not limited to, the amounts of any budget adjustments needed before he or she can approve that budget. The county superintendent of schools may assign a fiscal adviser to assist the school district to develop a budget in compliance with those revisions. In addition, the county superintendent of schools may appoint a committee to examine and comment on the superintendent’s review and recommendations, subject to the requirement that the committee report its findings to the county superintendent of schools no later than September 20.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, for the 2014–15 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, the budget shall not be adopted or approved by the county superintendent of schools before a local control and accountability plan or update to an existing local control and accountability plan for the budget year is approved.

(3) If the adopted budget of a school district is conditionally approved or disapproved pursuant to paragraph (1), on or before October 8, the governing board of the school district, in conjunction with the county superintendent of schools, shall review and respond to the recommendations of the county superintendent of schools at a regular meeting of the governing board of the school district. The response shall include any revisions to the adopted budget and other proposed actions to be taken, if any, as a result of those recommendations.

(e) On or before October 22, the county superintendent of schools shall provide a list to the Superintendent identifying all school districts for which budgets may be disapproved.

(f) (1) The county superintendent of schools shall examine the revised budget as provided in paragraph (3) of subdivision (d) to determine whether it (A) complies with the standards and criteria adopted by the state board pursuant to Section 33127 for application to final local educational agency budgets, (B) allows the school district to meet its financial obligations during the fiscal year, (C) satisfies all conditions established by the county superintendent of schools in the case of a conditionally approved budget, (D) is consistent with a financial plan that will enable the school district to satisfy its multiyear financial commitments, and, not later than November 8, shall approve or disapprove the revised budget, and (E) whether the revised budget complies with the requirements of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a). If the county superintendent of schools disapproves the budget, he or she shall call for the formation of a budget review committee pursuant to Section 42127.1, unless the governing board of the school district and the county superintendent of schools agree to waive the requirement that a budget review committee be formed and the department approves the waiver after determining that a budget review committee is not necessary. Upon the grant of a waiver, the county superintendent of schools immediately has the authority and responsibility provided in Section 42127.3. Upon approving a waiver of the budget review committee, the department shall ensure that a balanced budget is adopted for the school district by December 31. If no budget is adopted by December 31, the Superintendent may adopt a budget for the school district. The Superintendent shall report to the Legislature and the Director of Finance by January 10 if any school district, including a school district that has received a waiver of the budget review committee process, does not have an adopted budget by December 31. This report shall include the reasons why a budget has not been adopted by the deadline, the steps being taken to finalize budget adoption, the date the adopted budget is anticipated, and whether the Superintendent has or will exercise his or her authority to adopt a budget for the school district.

(2) Notwithstanding any other law, for the 2014–15 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, if the county superintendent of schools disapproves the budget for the sole reason that the county superintendent of schools has not approved a local control and accountability plan or an annual
update to the local control and accountability plan filed by the governing board of the school
district pursuant to Section 52070, the county superintendent of schools shall not call for the
formation of a budget review committee pursuant to Section 42127.1.
(g) Not later than November 8, the county superintendent of schools shall submit a report to the
Superintendent identifying all school districts for which budgets have been disapproved, and
whether or not a budget review committee will be formed or waived or budget review
committees waived. The report shall include a copy of the written response transmitted to each
of those school districts pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d).
(h) Not later than 45 days after the Governor signs the annual Budget Act, the school district
shall make available for public review any revisions in revenues and expenditures that it has
made to its budget to reflect the funding made available by that Budget Act.
(i) Any school district for which the county board of education serves as the governing board of
the school district is not subject to subdivisions (c) to (h), inclusive, but is governed instead by
the budget procedures set forth in Section 1622.

42127.1. (a) Pursuant to subdivision (f) of Section 42127, upon the disapproval of a school
district budget by the county superintendent of schools, the county superintendent of schools
shall call for the formation of a budget review committee unless the governing board of the
school district and the county superintendent of schools agree to waive the requirement that a
budget review committee be formed, and the department approves the waiver after determining
that a budget review committee is not necessary. Upon the grant of a waiver, the county
superintendent of schools has the authority and responsibility provided to a budget review
committee in Section 42127.3. Upon approving a waiver of the budget review committee, the
department shall ensure that a balanced budget is adopted for the school district by December
31.
(b) The budget review committee shall be composed of three persons selected by the governing
board of the school district from a list of candidates provided to the governing board of the
school district by the Superintendent. The list of candidates shall be composed of persons who
have expertise in the management of a school district or county office of education. Their
experience shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the fiscal and educational aspects of
local educational agency management.
(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (b) or any other provision of this article, with the approval of the
Superintendent and the governing board of the school district, the county superintendent of
schools may select and convene a regional review committee, consisting of persons having the
expertise described in subdivision (b). The regional review committee shall operate in place of
the budget review committee, in accordance with the provisions of this article governing budget
review committees.
(d) (c) Members of the committee shall be reimbursed by the department for their services and
associated expenses while on official business at rates established by the state board.

Clarify Process of Assisting Districts in Fiscal Distress (Amends Education Code Section
42127.6)

SEC 11. 42127.6. (a) (1) A school district shall provide the county superintendent of schools
with a copy of a study, report, evaluation, or audit that was commissioned by the school district,
the county superintendent, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and state control agencies
and that contains evidence that the school district is showing fiscal distress under the standards
and criteria adopted in Section 33127, or a report on the school district by the County Office
Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team or any regional team created pursuant to
subdivision (f) of Section 42127.3. The county superintendent shall review and consider studies,
reports, evaluations, or audits of the school district that contain evidence that the school district
is demonstrating fiscal distress under the standards and criteria adopted in Section 33127 or that contain a finding by an external reviewer that the school district is at moderate or high risk more than three of the 15 based on the most common predictors indicators of a school district needing intervention, as determined by the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, are present. If these findings are made, the county superintendent shall investigate the financial condition of the school district and determine if the school district may be unable to meet its financial obligations for the current or two subsequent fiscal years, or should receive a qualified or negative interim financial certification pursuant to Section 42131. If at any time during the fiscal year the county superintendent of schools determines that a school district may be unable to meet its financial obligations for the current or two subsequent fiscal years or if a school district has a qualified or negative certification pursuant to Section 42131, he or she shall notify the governing board of the school district and the Superintendent of Public Instruction in writing of that determination and the basis for the determination. The notification shall include the assumptions used in making the determination and shall be available to the public. The county superintendent of schools shall report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction on the financial condition of the school district and his or her proposed remedial actions and shall do at least one of the following and all actions that are necessary to ensure that the school district meets its financial obligations:
(A) Assign a fiscal expert, paid for by the county superintendent, to advise the school district on its financial problems.
(B) Conduct a study of the financial and budgetary conditions of the school district that includes, but is not limited to, a review of internal controls. If, in the course of this review, the county superintendent determines that his or her office requires analytical assistance or expertise that is not available through the school district, he or she may employ, on a short-term basis, with the approval of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, staff, including certified public accountants, to provide the assistance and expertise. The school district shall pay 75 percent and the county office of education shall pay 25 percent of these staff costs.
(C) Direct the school district to submit a financial projection of all fund and cash balances of the district as of June 30 of the current year and subsequent fiscal years as he or she requires.
(D) Require the district to encumber all contracts and other obligations, to prepare appropriate cashflow analyses and monthly or quarterly budget revisions, and to appropriately record all receivables and payables.
(E) Direct the school district to submit a proposal for addressing the fiscal conditions that resulted in the determination that the school district may not be able to meet its financial obligations.
(F) Withhold compensation of the members of the governing board of the school district and the school district superintendent for failure to provide requested financial information. This action may be appealed to the Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to subdivision (b).
(G) Assign the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team to teacher hiring practices, teacher retention rate, percentage of provision of highly qualified teachers, and the extent of teacher misassignment in the school district and provide the school district with recommendations to streamline and improve the teacher hiring process, teacher retention rate, extent of teacher misassignment, and provision of highly qualified teachers perform any or all of the duties prescribed in (A) through (C) above, or to further review the causes that led to a finding of moderate or high risk pursuant to subdivision (a) and make recommendations for corrective action. If a review team is assigned to a school district, the school district shall follow the recommendations of the team, unless the school district shows good cause for failure to do so. The County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team may not recommend an action that would abrogate a contract that governs employment.
(2) Any contract entered into by a county superintendent of schools for the purposes of this subdivision is subject to the approval of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
(3) An employee of a school district who provides information regarding improper governmental activity, as defined in Section 44112, is entitled to the protection provided pursuant to Article 5 (commencing with Section 44110) of Chapter 1 of Part 25.

(b) Within five days of the county superintendent making the determination specified in subdivision (a), a school district may appeal the basis of the determination and any of the proposed actions that the county superintendent has indicated that he or she will take to further examine the financial condition of the school district. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall sustain or deny any or all parts of the appeal within 10 days.

(c) If, after taking the actions identified in subdivision (a), the county superintendent determines that a school district will be unable to meet its financial obligations for the current or subsequent fiscal year, he or she shall notify the governing board of the school district, the superintendent of the school district, each recognized employee organization of the school district, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the president of the state board or the president's designee in writing of that determination and the basis for that determination. The notification shall include the assumptions used in making the determination and shall be provided to the superintendent of the school district and parent and teacher organization of the school district.

(d) Within five days of the county superintendent making the determination specified in subdivision (c), a school district may appeal that determination to the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Superintendent shall sustain or deny the appeal within 10 days. If the governing board of the school district appeals the determination, the county superintendent of schools may stay any action of the governing board of the school district that he or she determines is inconsistent with the ability of the school district to meet its financial obligations for the current or subsequent fiscal year until resolution of the appeal by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

(e) If the appeal described in subdivision (d) is denied or not filed, or if the school district has a negative certification pursuant to Section 42131, the county superintendent, in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction, shall take at least one of the actions described in paragraphs (1) to (5), inclusive, and all actions that are necessary to ensure that the school district meets its financial obligations and shall make a report to the Superintendent and the president of the state board or the president's designee about the financial condition of the school district and remedial actions proposed by the county superintendent.

(1) Develop and impose, in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the governing board of the school district, a budget revision that will enable the school district to meet its financial obligations in the current fiscal year.

(2) Stay or rescind any action of the governing board, or personnel commission established pursuant to Section 45240, that is determined to be inconsistent with the ability of the school district to meet its obligations for the current or subsequent fiscal year. This includes any actions up to the point that the subsequent year’s budget is approved by the county superintendent of schools. In the event the subsequent year’s budget is disapproved by the county superintendent of schools, the authority under this paragraph continues without interruption until the next subsequent year’s budget is approved by the county superintendent of schools. The county superintendent of schools shall inform the governing board, or the personnel commission, if applicable, of the school district in writing of his or her justification for any exercise of authority under this paragraph.

(3) Assist in developing, in consultation with the governing board of the school district, a multiyear financial recovery plan that will enable the school district to meet its future obligations.

(4) Assist in developing, in consultation with the governing board of the school district, a budget for the subsequent fiscal year. If necessary, the county superintendent of schools shall continue to work with the governing board of the school district until the budget for the subsequent year is adopted by the governing board of the school district and approved by the county superintendent of schools.
(5) As necessary, appoint a fiscal adviser to perform any or all of the duties prescribed by this section on his or her behalf.

(f) Any action taken by the county superintendent of schools pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (e) shall be accompanied by a notification that shall include the actions to be taken, the reasons for the actions, and the assumptions used to support the necessity for these actions.

(g) This section does not authorize the county superintendent to abrogate any provision of a collective bargaining agreement that was entered into by a school district before the date that the county superintendent of schools assumed authority pursuant to subdivision (e).

(h) The school district shall pay 75 percent and the county office of education shall pay 25 percent of the administrative expenses incurred pursuant to subdivision (e) or costs associated with improving the school district’s financial management practices. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall develop and distribute to affected school districts and county offices of education advisory guidelines regarding the appropriate amount of administrative expenses charged pursuant to this subdivision.

(i) Notwithstanding Section 42647 or 42650 or any other law, a county treasurer shall not honor any warrant if, pursuant to Sections 42127 to 42127.5, inclusive, or pursuant to this section, the county superintendent or the Superintendent of Public Instruction, as appropriate, has disapproved that warrant or the order on school district funds for which a warrant was prepared.

(j) Effective upon the certification of the election results for a newly organized school district pursuant to Section 35763, the county superintendent of schools may exercise any of the powers and duties of this section regarding the reorganized school district and the other affected school districts until the reorganized school district becomes effective for all purposes in accordance with Article 4 (commencing with Section 35530) of Chapter 3 of Part 21.

(k) The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall monitor the efforts of a county office of education in exercising its authority under this section and may exercise any of that authority if he or she finds that the actions of the county superintendent of schools are not effective in resolving the financial problems of the school district. Upon a decision to exercise the powers of the county superintendent of schools, the county superintendent of schools is relieved of those powers assumed by the Superintendent, and shall provide support and assistance to the Superintendent in the exercise of those powers. The Superintendent shall also request that the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team identify the circumstances that led to the ineffectiveness of the county superintendent of schools in resolving the financial problems of the school district, and shall require the county office of education to demonstrate, in a manner determined by the Superintendent, remediation of those deficiencies. In addition to the actions taken by the county superintendent, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall take further actions to ensure the long-term fiscal stability of the school district. The county office of education shall reimburse the Superintendent of Public Instruction for all of his or her costs in exercising his or her authority under this subdivision. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall promptly notify the county superintendent of schools, the county board of education, the superintendent of the school district, the governing board of the school district, the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of each house of the Legislature, and the Department of Finance of his or her decision to exercise the authority of the county superintendent of schools.

Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team Organizational Activities (Amends Education Code Section 42127.8)

SEC 12. 42127.8. (a) The governing board provided for in subdivision (b) shall establish a unit to be known as the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team. The team shall consist of persons having extensive experience in school district budgeting, accounting,
data processing, telecommunications, risk management, food services, pupil transportation, purchasing and warehousing, facilities maintenance and operation, and personnel administration, organization, and staffing. The Superintendent may appoint one employee of the department to serve on the unit. The unit shall be operated under the immediate direction of an appropriate county office of education selected jointly, in response to an application process, by the Superintendent and the president of the state board or his or her designee.

(b) The unit established under subdivision (a) shall be selected and governed by a 25-member governing board consisting of one representative chosen by the California County Superintendents Educational Services Association from each of the 11 county service regions designated by the association, 11 superintendents of school districts chosen by the Association of California School Administrators from each of the 11 county service regions, one representative from the department chosen by the Superintendent, the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges or his or her designee, and one member of a community college district governing board chosen by the chancellor. The governing board of the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team shall select a county superintendent of schools to chair the unit.

(c) (1) The Superintendent may request the unit to provide the assistance described in subdivision (b) of Section 1624, Section 1630, subdivision (b) of Section 42127.3, subdivision (c) of Section 42127.6, and Section 42127.9, and with the computation described in subdivision (a) of Section 42238.2, and to review the fiscal and administrative condition of any county office of education, school district, or charter school.

(2) A county superintendent of schools may request the unit to review the fiscal or administrative condition of a school district or charter school under his or her jurisdiction.

(3) The Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges may request the unit to provide the assistance described in Section 84041.

(d) In addition to the functions described in subdivision (c), the unit shall do all of the following:

(1) Provide fiscal management assistance, at the request of any school district, charter school, or county office of education, or, pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 84041, at the request of any community college district. Each school district, charter school, or county office of education receiving that assistance shall be required to pay the onsite personnel costs and travel costs incurred by the unit for that purpose, pursuant to rates determined by the governing board established under subdivision (b). The governing board annually shall distribute rate information to each school district, charter school, and county office of education is posted on the unit’s website.

(2) Facilitate training for members of the governing board of the school district, district and county superintendents, chief financial officers within the district, and schoolsite personnel whose primary responsibility is to address fiscal issues. Training services shall emphasize efforts to improve fiscal accountability and expand the fiscal competency of local agencies. The unit shall use state professional associations, private organizations, and public agencies to provide guidance, support, and the delivery of any training services.

(3) Facilitate fiscal management training through the 11 county service regions to county office of education staff to ensure that they develop the technical skills necessary to perform their fiduciary duties. The governing board established pursuant to subdivision (b) shall determine the extent of the training that is necessary to comply with this paragraph.

(4) Produce a training calendar, to be disseminated semiannually to each county service region, that publicizes all of the fiscal training services that are being offered at the local, regional, and state levels, and post such calendar on the unit’s website.

(e) The governing board shall reserve not less than 25 percent, nor more than 50 percent, of its revenues each year for expenditure for the costs of contracts and professional services as management assistance to school districts or county superintendents of schools in which the board determines that a fiscal emergency exists.
(f) The governing board established under subdivision (b) may levy an annual assessment against each county office of education that elects to participate under this section in an amount not to exceed twenty cents ($0.20) per unit of total average daily attendance for all school districts within the county. The revenues collected pursuant to that assessment shall be applied to the expenses of the unit.

(g) The governing board established under subdivision (b) may pay to the department, from any available funds, a reasonable amount to reimburse the department for actual administrative expenses incurred in the review of the budgets and fiscal conditions of school districts, charter schools, and county superintendents of schools.

(h) When employed as a fiscal adviser by the department pursuant to Section 1630, employees of the unit established pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be considered employees of the department for purposes of errors and omissions liability insurance.

(i) (1) The unit shall request and review applications to establish regional teams of education finance experts throughout the state.

(2) To the extent that funding is provided for purposes of this subdivision in the annual Budget Act or through another appropriation, regional teams selected by the Superintendent, in consultation with the unit, shall provide training and technical expertise to school districts, charter schools, and county offices of education facing fiscal difficulties.

(3) The regional teams shall follow the standards and guidelines of and remain under the general supervision of the governing board established under subdivision (b).

(4) It is the intent of the Legislature that, to the extent possible, the regional teams be distributed geographically throughout the various regions of the state in order to provide timely, cost-effective expertise to school districts, charter schools, county offices of education, and community college districts throughout the state.

School District Interim Fiscal Report Certification Timeline (Amends Education Code Section 42131)

SEC 13. 42131. (a) (1) Pursuant to the reports required by Section 42130, the governing board of each school district shall certify, in writing, within 45 days after the close of the period being reported, whether the school district is able to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year and, based on current forecasts, for the subsequent fiscal years. These certifications shall be based upon the governing board of the school district’s assessment, on the basis of standards and criteria for fiscal stability adopted by the state board pursuant to Section 33127, of the school district budget, as revised to reflect current information regarding the adopted State Budget, school district property tax revenues pursuant to Sections 95 to 100, inclusive, of the Revenue and Taxation Code, and ending balances for the preceding fiscal year as reported pursuant to Section 42100. The certifications shall be classified as positive, qualified, or negative, as prescribed by the Superintendent for purposes of determining subsequent actions by the Superintendent, the Controller, or the county superintendent of schools, pursuant to subdivisions (b) and (c). These certifications shall be based upon the financial and budgetary reports required by Section 42130 but may include additional financial information known by the governing board of the school district to exist at the time of each certification. For purposes of this subdivision, a negative certification shall be assigned to any school district that, based upon current projections, will be unable to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year or the subsequent fiscal year. A qualified certification shall be assigned to any school district that, based upon current projections, may not meet its financial obligations for the current fiscal year or two subsequent fiscal years. A positive certification shall be assigned to any school district that, based upon current projections, will meet its financial obligations for the current fiscal year and subsequent two fiscal years.
(2) (A) A copy of each certification and a copy of the report submitted to the governing board of the school district pursuant to Section 42130 shall be filed with the county superintendent of schools. If a county office of education receives a positive certification when it determines a negative or qualified certification should have been filed, or receives a qualified certification when it determines a negative certification should have been filed, the county superintendent of schools shall change the certification to negative or qualified, as appropriate, and, no later than 75 days after the close of the period being reported, shall provide notice of that action to the governing board of the school district and to the Superintendent. No later than five days after a school district receives notice from the county superintendent of schools of a change in the school district’s certification to negative or qualified, the governing board of the school district may submit an appeal to the Superintendent regarding the validity of that change, in accordance with the criteria applied to those designations pursuant to this subdivision. No later than 10 days after receiving that appeal, the Superintendent shall determine the certification to be assigned to the school district and shall notify the governing board of the school district and the county superintendent of schools of that determination.

(B) Copies of any certification in which the governing board of the school district is unable to certify unqualifiedly that these financial obligations will be met and a copy of the report submitted to the governing board of the school district pursuant to Section 42130 shall be sent by the county office of education to the Controller and the Superintendent at the time of the certification, together with a completed transmittal form provided by the Superintendent. Within 75 days after the close of the reporting period on all school district certifications that are classified as qualified or negative pursuant to this section, the appropriate county superintendent of schools shall submit to the Superintendent and the Controller his or her comments on those certifications and report any action proposed or taken pursuant to subdivision (b).

(3) All reports and certifications required under this subdivision shall be in a format or on forms prescribed by the Superintendent and shall be based on standards and criteria for fiscal stability adopted by the state board pursuant to Section 33127.

(4) This subdivision does not preclude the submission of additional budgetary or financial reports by the county superintendent of schools to the governing board of the school district, or to the Superintendent.

(b) As to any school district having a negative or qualified certification, the county superintendent of schools shall exercise his or her authority, as necessary, pursuant to Section 42127.6.

(c) Within 75 days after the close of each reporting period, each county superintendent of schools shall report to the Controller and the Superintendent as to whether the governing board of each of the school districts under his or her jurisdiction has submitted the certification required by subdivision (a). That report shall account for all school districts under the jurisdiction of the county office of education and indicate the type of certification filed by each school district.

(d) The Controller’s office may conduct an audit or review of the fiscal condition of any school district having a negative or qualified certification.

(e) Any school district having a negative or qualified certification, or classified as qualified or negative by the county superintendent of schools, shall continue to be classified as qualified or negative until the next report required under Section 42130 is filed.

(f) The governing board of each school district filing a qualified or negative certification for the second report required under Section 42130, or classified as qualified or negative by the county superintendent of schools, shall provide to the county superintendent of schools, the Controller, and the Superintendent no later than June 1, financial statement projections of the school district’s fund and cash balances through June 30 for the period ending April 30. The governing boards of all other school districts are encouraged to develop a similar financial
statement for use in developing the beginning fund balances of the school district for the ensuing fiscal year.

(4) (g) Any school district for which the county board of education serves as the governing board of the school district is not subject to subdivisions (a) to (g̅), inclusive, but is governed instead by the interim report, monitoring, and review procedures set forth in subdivision (l) of Section 1240 and in Article 2 (commencing with Section 1620) of Chapter 5 of Part 2.

Restriction on Non-Voter Approved Debt (Amends Education Code Section 42133)

SEC 14. 42133. (a) A school district that has a qualified or negative certification pursuant to this article, or received a notice of going concern determination issued by the county superintendent of schools pursuant to Section 42127.6(a)(1), in any fiscal year may not issue, in that fiscal year or in the next succeeding fiscal year, certificates of participation, tax anticipation notes, revenue bonds, or any other debt instruments that do not require the approval of the voters of the district, nor may the district cause an information report regarding the debt instrument to be submitted pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 149 of Title 26 of the United States Code, unless the county superintendent of schools determines, pursuant to criteria established by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, that the district’s repayment of that indebtedness is probable. For purposes of this subdivision, if a school district is deemed to have a qualified or negative certification for purposes of this subdivision if, pursuant to this article, it files that certification or the county superintendent of schools classifies the certification for that fiscal year to be qualified or negative, or received a notice of going concern determination issued by the county superintendent of schools pursuant to Section 42127.6(a)(1).

(b) A county office of education that has a qualified or negative certification in any fiscal year may not issue, in that fiscal year or in the next succeeding fiscal year, certificates of participation, tax anticipation notes, revenue bonds, or any other debt instruments not requiring the approval of the voters of the district, nor may the county office of education cause an information report regarding the debt instrument to be submitted pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 149 of Title 26 of the United States Code, unless the Superintendent of Public Instruction determines that the repayment of that indebtedness by the county office of education is probable. A county office of education is deemed to have a qualified or negative certification for purposes of this subdivision if, pursuant to this article, it files that certification or the Superintendent of Public Instruction classifies the certification for that fiscal year to be qualified or negative. For purposes of this subdivision, “county office of education” includes a school district that is governed by a county board of education.

(c) No later than March 31, 1992, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall develop and adopt criteria and standards to govern the determination to be made under subdivisions (a) and (b).

Requirements for Disbursement of Funding to Oakland Unified School District (Amends Education Code Section 42160)

SEC 15. 42160. (a) For the 2018–19 fiscal year, by March 1, 2019, the Oakland Unified School District, in collaboration with and with the concurrence of the Alameda County Superintendent of Schools and the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, shall do both of the following:

(1) Update or develop short- and long-term financial plans based on reasonable and accurate assumptions and current and past year expenditure data.

(2) Review and update school district facilities construction plans to ensure that costs are reasonable, accurate, and align with long-term financial plans for fiscal solvency.
(b) Beginning with the 2019–20 fiscal year, the Budget Act shall include an appropriation for the Oakland Unified School District, if the school district complies with the terms specified in subdivisions (a) and (c), in the following amounts:
(1) For the 2019–20 fiscal year, up to 75 percent of the school district’s projected operating deficit, as determined by the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, with concurrence with the Department of Finance.
(2) For the 2020–21 fiscal year, up to 50 percent of the school district’s projected operating deficit, as determined by the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, with concurrence with the Department of Finance.
(3) For the 2021–22 fiscal year, up to 25 percent of the school district’s projected operating deficit, as determined by the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, with concurrence with the Department of Finance.
(c) Disbursement of funds specified in subdivision (b) shall be contingent on the Oakland Unified School District’s completion of activities specified in the prior year Budget Act to improve the school district’s fiscal solvency. These activities may include, but are not limited to, all of the following:
(1) Completion of comprehensive operational reviews that compare the needs of the school district with similar school districts and provide data and recommendations regarding changes the school district can make to achieve fiscal sustainability.
(2) Adoption and implementation of necessary budgetary solutions, including the consolidation of school sites.
(3) Completion and implementation of multiyear, fiscally solvent budgets and budget plans.
(4) Qualification for positive certification pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 42130) of Chapter 6.
(5) Affirmative board action to continue planning for, and timely implementation of, a school and facility closure and consolidation plan that supports the sale or lease of surplus property.
(6) Growth and maintenance of budgetary reserves.
(7) Approval of school district budgets by the Alameda County Superintendent of Schools.
(d) Funds described in subdivision (b) shall be allocated to Oakland Unified School District upon the certification of the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, with concurrence from the Alameda County Superintendent of Schools, to the Assembly Committee on Budget, Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, and the Department of Finance that the activities described in subdivision (c), as specified in the prior year Budget Act, have been completed. Additionally, by March 1 of each year, through March 1, 2021, the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, with concurrence from the Alameda County Superintendent of Schools, shall report to the Assembly Committee on Budget, Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, and the Department of Finance the progress that Oakland Unified School District has made to complete the activities described in subdivision (c), as specified in the prior year Budget Act.
(e) The activities described in subdivision (c) shall be determined in the annual Budget Act based on joint recommendations from the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team and the Alameda County Superintendent of Schools. These recommendations shall be submitted to the Assembly Committee on Budget, Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, and the Department of Finance by March 1 of each fiscal year, through March 1, 2021, in conjunction with the certification described in subdivision (d).
(f) Disbursement of funds specified in subdivision (b), provision (2) shall be contingent on the Oakland Unified School District’s completion of:
(1) Affirmative board action to continue planning for, and timely implementation of, a school and facility closure and consolidation plan that supports the sale or lease of surplus property.
(2) Completion of on-time audits.
Requirements for Disbursement of Funding to Inglewood Unified School District
(Amends Education Code Section 42161)

SEC 16. 42161. (a) For the 2018–19 fiscal year, the Inglewood Unified School District shall do both of the following:
(1) Meet the requirements for qualified or positive certification for the school district’s second interim report pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 42130) of Chapter 6.
(2) Complete comprehensive operational reviews that compare the needs of the school district with similar school districts and provide data and recommendations regarding changes the school district can make to achieve fiscal sustainability.
(b) Beginning with the 2019–20 fiscal year, the Budget Act shall include an appropriation for the Inglewood Unified School District, if the school district complies with the terms specified in subdivisions (a) and (c), in the following amounts:
(1) For the 2019–20 fiscal year, up to 75 percent of the school district’s projected operating deficit, as determined by the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, with concurrence with the Department of Finance.
(2) For the 2020–21 fiscal year, up to 50 percent of the school district’s projected operating deficit, as determined by the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, with concurrence with the Department of Finance.
(3) For the 2021–22 fiscal year, up to 25 percent of the school district’s projected operating deficit, as determined by the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, with concurrence with the Department of Finance.
(c) Disbursement of funds specified in subdivision (b) shall be contingent on the Inglewood Unified School District’s completion of activities specified in the prior year Budget Act to improve the school district’s fiscal solvency. These activities may include, but are not limited to, all of the following:
(1) Completion of comprehensive operational reviews that compare the needs of the school district with similar school districts and provide data and recommendations regarding changes the school district can make to achieve fiscal sustainability.
(2) Adoption and implementation of necessary budgetary solutions, including the consolidation of school sites.
(3) Completion and implementation of multiyear, fiscally solvent budgets and budget plans.
(4) Qualification for positive certification pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 42130) of Chapter 6.
(5) Adoption of a preliminary school and district facility closure and consolidation plan and initiation of any regulatory approval process, including the California Environmental Quality Act and other state or local approval, related to the sale or lease of surplus property.
(6) Growth and maintenance of budgetary reserves.
(7) Approval of school district budgets by the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools.
(d) Funds described in subdivision (b) shall be allocated to Inglewood Unified School District upon the certification of the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, with concurrence from the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools, to the Assembly Committee on Budget, Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, and the Department of Finance that the activities described in subdivision (c), as specified in the prior year Budget Act, have been completed. Additionally, by March 1 of each year, through March 1, 2021, the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, with concurrence from the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools, shall report to the Assembly Committee on Budget, Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, and the Department of Finance the progress that Inglewood Unified School District has made to complete the activities described in subdivision (c), as specified in the prior year Budget Act.
The activities described in subdivision (c) shall be determined in the annual Budget Act based on joint recommendations from the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team and the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Schools. These recommendations shall be submitted to the Assembly Committee on Budget, Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, and the Department of Finance by March 1 of each fiscal year, through March 1, 2021, in conjunction with the certification described in subdivision (d).

Until June 30, 2019, the Superintendent may waive the reimbursement determination specified in Section 18054 of Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations for Inglewood Unified School District’s 2016–17 fiscal year California state preschool program contract in order to resolve the school district’s outstanding child development reimbursement liability to the state.

Disbursement of funds specified in subdivision (b), provision (2) shall be contingent on the Inglewood Unified School District’s completion of:

1. Adoption and implementation of necessary budgetary solutions.
2. Adoption of a preliminary school and district facility closure and consolidation plan and initiation of any regulatory approval process, including the California Environmental Quality Act and other state or local approval, related to the sale or lease of surplus property.

Conform to Five Year Limit for LCFF Apportionment Funding Adjustments (Amends Education Code Section 42238.02)

SEC 17. 42238.02. (a) The amount computed pursuant to this section shall be known as the school district and charter school local control funding formula.

(b) (1) For purposes of this section “unduplicated pupil” means a pupil enrolled in a school district or a charter school who is either classified as an English learner, eligible for a free or reduced-price meal, or is a foster youth. A pupil shall be counted only once for purposes of this section if any of the following apply:

(A) The pupil is classified as an English learner and is eligible for a free or reduced-price meal.
(B) The pupil is classified as an English learner and is a foster youth.
(C) The pupil is eligible for a free or reduced-price meal and is classified as a foster youth.
(D) The pupil is classified as an English learner, is eligible for a free or reduced-price meal, and is a foster youth.

(2) Under procedures and timeframes established by the Superintendent, commencing with the 2013–14 fiscal year, a school district or charter school shall annually submit its enrolled free and reduced-price meal eligibility, foster youth, and English learner pupil-level records for enrolled pupils to the Superintendent using the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System.

(3) (A) Commencing with the 2013–14 fiscal year, a county office of education shall review and validate certified aggregate English learner, foster youth, and free or reduced-price meal eligible pupil data for school districts and charter schools under its jurisdiction to ensure the data is reported accurately. The Superintendent shall provide each county office of education with appropriate access to school district and charter school data reports in the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System for purposes of ensuring data reporting accuracy.

(B) The Controller shall include the instructions necessary to enforce paragraph (2) in the audit guide required by Section 14502.1. The instructions shall include, but are not necessarily limited to, procedures for determining if the English learner, foster youth, and free or reduced-price meal eligible pupil counts are consistent with the school district’s or charter school’s English learner, foster youth, and free or reduced-price meal eligible pupil records.

(4) The Superintendent shall make the calculations pursuant to this section using the data submitted by local educational agencies, including charter schools, through the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System. Under timeframes and procedures established by the Superintendent, school districts and charter schools may review and revise their submitted data on English learner, foster youth, and free or reduced-price meal eligible pupil counts to
ensure the accuracy of data reflected in the California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System.

(5) The Superintendent shall annually compute the percentage of unduplicated pupils for each school district and charter school by dividing the enrollment of unduplicated pupils in a school district or charter school by the total enrollment in that school district or charter school pursuant to all of the following:

(A) For the 2013–14 fiscal year, divide the sum of unduplicated pupils for the 2013–14 fiscal year by the sum of the total pupil enrollment for the 2013–14 fiscal year.

(B) For the 2014–15 fiscal year, divide the sum of unduplicated pupils for the 2013–14 and 2014–15 fiscal years by the sum of the total pupil enrollment for the 2013–14 and 2014–15 fiscal years.

(C) For the 2015–16 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, divide the sum of unduplicated pupils for the current fiscal year and the two prior fiscal years by the sum of the total pupil enrollment for the current fiscal year and the two prior fiscal years.

(D) (i) For purposes of the quotients determined pursuant to subparagraphs (B) and (C), the Superintendent shall use a school district’s or charter school’s enrollment of unduplicated pupils and total pupil enrollment in the 2014–15 fiscal year instead of the enrollment of unduplicated pupils and total pupil enrollment in the 2013–14 fiscal year if doing so would yield an overall greater percentage of unduplicated pupils.

(ii) It is the intent of the Legislature to review each school district and charter school’s enrollment of unduplicated pupils for the 2013–14 and 2014–15 fiscal years and provide one-time funding, if necessary, for a school district or charter school with higher enrollment of unduplicated pupils in the 2014–15 fiscal year as compared to the 2013–14 fiscal year.

(b) (6) Notwithstanding subdivision (a) of Section 14002, the data used to determine the percentage of unduplicated pupils shall be final once that data is no longer used in the current fiscal year calculation of the percentage of unduplicated pupils. This paragraph does not apply to a change that is the result of an audit that has been appealed pursuant to Section 41344.

(c) Commencing with the 2013–14 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, the Superintendent shall annually calculate a local control funding formula grant for each school district and charter school in the state pursuant to this section.

(d) The Superintendent shall compute a grade span adjusted base grant equal to the total of the following amounts:

(1) For the 2013–14 fiscal year, a base grant of:

(A) Six thousand eight hundred forty-five dollars ($6,845) for average daily attendance in kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive.

(B) Six thousand nine hundred forty-seven dollars ($6,947) for average daily attendance in grades 4 to 6, inclusive.

(C) Seven thousand one hundred fifty-four dollars ($7,154) for average daily attendance in grades 7 and 8.

(D) Eight thousand two hundred eighty-nine dollars ($8,289) for average daily attendance in grades 9 to 12, inclusive.

(2) In each year the grade span adjusted base grants in paragraph (1) shall be adjusted by the percentage change in the annual average value of the Implicit Price Deflator for State and Local Government Purchases of Goods and Services for the United States, as published by the United States Department of Commerce for the 12-month period ending in the third quarter of the prior fiscal year. This percentage change shall be determined using the latest data available as of May 10 of the preceding fiscal year compared with the annual average value of the same deflator for the 12-month period ending in the third quarter of the second preceding fiscal year, using the latest data available as of May 10 of the preceding fiscal year, as reported by the Department of Finance.
(3) (A) The Superintendent shall compute an additional adjustment to the kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, base grant as adjusted for inflation pursuant to paragraph (2) equal to 10.4 percent. The additional grant shall be calculated by multiplying the kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, base grant, as adjusted by paragraph (2), by 10.4 percent. (B) Until paragraph (4) of subdivision (b) of Section 42238.03 is effective, as a condition of the receipt of funds in this paragraph, a school district shall make progress toward maintaining an average class enrollment of not more than 24 pupils for each schoolsite in kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, unless a collectively bargained alternative annual average class enrollment for each schoolsite in those grades is agreed to by the school district, pursuant to the following calculation:

(i) Determine a school district’s average class enrollment for each schoolsite for kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, in the prior year. For the 2013–14 fiscal year, this amount shall be the average class enrollment for each schoolsite for kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, in the 2012–13 fiscal year.

(ii) Determine a school district’s proportion of total need pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 42238.03.

(iii) Determine the percentage of the need calculated in clause (ii) that is met by funding provided to the school district pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 42238.03.

(iv) Determine the difference between the amount computed pursuant to clause (i) and an average class enrollment of not more than 24 pupils.

(v) Calculate a current year average class enrollment adjustment for each schoolsite for kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, equal to the adjustment calculated in clause (iv) multiplied by the percentage determined pursuant to clause (iii).

(C) School districts that have an average class enrollment for each schoolsite for kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, of 24 pupils or less for each schoolsite in the 2012–13 fiscal year, shall be exempt from the requirements of subparagraph (B) so long as the school district continues to maintain an average class enrollment for each schoolsite for kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, of not more than 24 pupils, unless a collectively bargained alternative ratio is agreed to by the school district.

(D) Upon full implementation of the local control funding formula, as a condition of the receipt of funds in this paragraph, all school districts shall maintain an average class enrollment for each schoolsite for kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, of not more than 24 pupils for each schoolsite in kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, unless a collectively bargained alternative ratio is agreed to by the school district.

(E) The average class enrollment requirement for each schoolsite for kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, established pursuant to this paragraph shall not be subject to waiver by the state board pursuant to Section 33050 or by the Superintendent.

(F) The Controller shall include the instructions necessary to enforce this paragraph in the audit guide required by Section 14502.1. The instructions shall include, but are not necessarily limited to, procedures for determining if the average class enrollment for each schoolsite for kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive, exceeds 24 pupils, or an alternative average class enrollment for each schoolsite pursuant to a collectively bargained alternative ratio. The procedures for determining average class enrollment for each schoolsite shall include criteria for employing sampling.

(4) The Superintendent shall compute an additional adjustment to the base grant for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, as adjusted for inflation pursuant to paragraph (2), equal to 2.6 percent. The additional grant shall be calculated by multiplying the base grant for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, as adjusted by paragraph (2), by 2.6 percent.

(e) The Superintendent shall compute a supplemental grant add-on equal to 20 percent of the base grants as specified in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1) of subdivision (d), as adjusted by paragraphs (2) to (4), inclusive, of subdivision (d), for each school district's
or charter school’s percentage of unduplicated pupils calculated pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (b). The supplemental grant shall be calculated by multiplying the base grants as specified in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1), as adjusted by paragraphs (2) to (4), inclusive, of subdivision (d), by 20 percent and by the percentage of unduplicated pupils calculated pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) in that school district or charter school. The supplemental grant shall be expended in accordance with the regulations adopted pursuant to Section 42238.07.

(f) (1) The Superintendent shall compute a concentration grant add-on equal to 50 percent of the base grants as specified in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1) of subdivision (d), as adjusted by paragraphs (2) to (4), inclusive, of subdivision (d), for each school district’s or charter school’s percentage of unduplicated pupils calculated pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) in excess of 55 percent of the school district’s or charter school’s total enrollment. The concentration grant shall be calculated by multiplying the base grants as specified in subparagraphs (A) to (D), inclusive, of paragraph (1) of subdivision (d), as adjusted by paragraphs (2) to (4), inclusive, of subdivision (d), by 50 percent and by the percentage of unduplicated pupils calculated pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) in excess of 55 percent of the total enrollment in that school district or charter school.

(2) (A) For a charter school physically located in only one school district, the percentage of unduplicated pupils calculated pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) in excess of 55 percent used to calculate concentration grants shall not exceed the percentage of unduplicated pupils calculated pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) in excess of 55 percent of the school district in which the charter school is physically located. For a charter school physically located in more than one school district, the charter school’s percentage of unduplicated pupils calculated pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) in excess of 55 percent used to calculate concentration grants shall not exceed that of the school district with the highest percentage of unduplicated pupils calculated pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) in excess of 55 percent of the school districts in which the charter school has a school facility. The concentration grant shall be expended in accordance with the regulations adopted pursuant to Section 42238.07.

(B) For purposes of this paragraph and subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (f) of Section 42238.03, a charter school shall report its physical location to the department under timeframes established by the department. For a charter school authorized by a school district, the department shall include the authorizing school district in the department’s determination of physical location. For a charter school authorized on appeal pursuant to subdivision (j) of Section 47605, the department shall include the sponsoring school district in the department’s determination of physical location. Notwithstanding subdivision (a) of Section 14002, the reported physical location of the charter school shall be considered final as of the second principal apportionment for that fiscal year, and For purposes of this paragraph, the percentage of unduplicated pupils of the school district associated with the charter school pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall be considered final as of the second principal apportionment for that fiscal year.

(g) The Superintendent shall compute an add-on to the total sum of a school district’s or charter school’s base, supplemental, and concentration grants equal to the amount of funding a school district or charter school received from funds allocated pursuant to the Targeted Instructional Improvement Block Grant program, as set forth in Article 6 (commencing with Section 41540) of Chapter 3.2, for the 2012–13 fiscal year, as that article read on January 1, 2013. A school district or charter school shall not receive a total funding amount from this add-on greater than the total amount of funding received by the school district or charter school from that program in the 2012–13 fiscal year. The amount computed pursuant to this subdivision shall reflect the reduction specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 42238.03.
(h) (1) The Superintendent shall compute an add-on to the total sum of a school district’s or charter school’s base, supplemental, and concentration grants equal to the amount of funding a school district or charter school received from funds allocated pursuant to the Home-to-School Transportation program, as set forth in former Article 2 (commencing with Section 39820) of Chapter 1 of Part 23.5, former Article 10 (commencing with Section 41850) of Chapter 5, and the Small School District Transportation program, as set forth in former Article 4.5 (commencing with Section 42290), as those articles read on January 1, 2013, for the 2012–13 fiscal year. A school district or charter school shall not receive a total funding amount from this add-on greater than the total amount received by the school district or charter school for those programs in the 2012–13 fiscal year. The amount computed pursuant to this subdivision shall reflect the reduction specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 42238.03.

(2) If a home-to-school transportation joint powers agency, established pursuant to Article 1 (commencing with Section 6500) of Chapter 5 of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code for purposes of providing pupil transportation, received an apportionment directly from the Superintendent from any of the funding sources specified in paragraph (1) for the 2012–13 fiscal year, the joint powers agency may identify the member local educational agencies and transfer entitlement to that funding to any of those member local educational agencies by reporting to the Superintendent, on or before September 30, 2015, the reassignment of a specified amount of the joint powers agency’s 2012–13 fiscal year entitlement to the member local educational agency. Commencing with the 2015–16 fiscal year, the Superintendent shall compute an add-on to the total sum of a school district’s or charter school’s base, supplemental, and concentration grants equal to the amount of the entitlement to funding transferred by the joint powers agency to the member school district or charter school.

(i) (1) The sum of the local control funding formula rates computed pursuant to subdivisions (c) to (f), inclusive, shall be multiplied by:

(A) For school districts, the average daily attendance of the school district in the corresponding grade level ranges computed pursuant to Section 42238.05, excluding the average daily attendance computed pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 42238.05 for purposes of the computation specified in subdivision (d).

(B) For charter schools, the total current year average daily attendance in the corresponding grade level ranges.

(2) The amount computed pursuant to Article 4 (commencing with Section 42280) shall be added to the amount computed pursuant to paragraphs (1) to (4), inclusive, of subdivision (d), as multiplied by subparagraph (A) or (B) of paragraph (1), as appropriate.

(j) The Superintendent shall adjust the sum of each school district’s or charter school’s amount determined in subdivisions (g) to (i), inclusive, pursuant to the calculation specified in Section 42238.03, less the sum of the following:

(1) (A) For school districts, the property tax revenue received pursuant to Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 75) and Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 95) of Part 0.5 of Division 1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(B) For charter schools, the in-lieu property tax amount provided to a charter school pursuant to Section 47635.

(2) The amount, if any, received pursuant to Part 18.5 (commencing with Section 38101) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(3) The amount, if any, received pursuant to Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 16140) of Part 1 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

(4) Prior years’ taxes and taxes on the unsecured roll.

(5) Fifty percent of the amount received pursuant to Section 41603.

(6) The amount, if any, received pursuant to the Community Redevelopment Law (Part 1 (commencing with Section 33000) of Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code), less any amount received pursuant to Section 33401 or 33676 of the Health and Safety Code that is
used for land acquisition, facility construction, reconstruction, or remodeling, or deferred maintenance and that is not an amount received pursuant to Section 33492.15, or paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 33607.5, or Section 33607.7 of the Health and Safety Code that is allocated exclusively for educational facilities.

(7) The amount, if any, received pursuant to Sections 34177, 34179.5, 34179.6, 34183, and 34188 of the Health and Safety Code.

(8) Revenue received pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (e) of Section 36 of Article XIII of the California Constitution.

(k) A school district shall annually transfer to each of its charter schools funding in lieu of property taxes pursuant to Section 47635.

(l) (1) This section shall not be interpreted to authorize a school district that receives funding on behalf of a charter school pursuant to Section 47651 to redirect this funding for another purpose unless otherwise authorized in law pursuant to paragraph (2) or pursuant to an agreement between the charter school and its chartering authority.

(2) A school district that received funding on behalf of a locally funded charter school in the 2012–13 fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 42605, Section 42606, and subdivision (b) of Section 47634.1, as those sections read on January 1, 2013, or a school district that was required to pass through funding to a conversion charter school in the 2012–13 fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 42606, as that section read on January 1, 2013, may annually redirect for another purpose a percentage of the amount of the funding received on behalf of that charter school. The percentage of funding that may be redirected shall be determined pursuant to the following computation:

(A) (i) Determine the sum of the need fulfilled for that charter school pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 42238.03 in the then current fiscal year for the charter school.

(ii) Determine the sum of the need fulfilled in every fiscal year before the then current fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 42238.03 adjusted for changes in average daily attendance pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 42238.03 for the charter school.

(iii) Subtract the amount computed pursuant to paragraphs (1) to (3), inclusive, of subdivision (a) of Section 42238.03 from the amount computed for that charter school under the local control funding formula entitlement computed pursuant to subdivision (i) of this section.

(iv) Compute a percentage by dividing the sum of the amounts computed pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) by the amount computed pursuant to clause (iii).

(B) Multiply the percentage computed pursuant to subparagraph (A) by the amount of funding the school district received on behalf of the charter school in the 2012–13 fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 42605, Section 42606, and subdivision (b) of Section 47634.1, as those sections read on January 1, 2013.

(C) The maximum amount that may be redirected shall be the lesser of the amount of funding the school district received on behalf of the charter school in the 2012–13 fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 42605, Section 42606, and subdivision (b) of Section 47634.1, as those sections read on January 1, 2013, or the amount computed pursuant to subparagraph (B).

(3) Commencing with the 2013–14 fiscal year, a school district operating one or more affiliated charter schools shall provide each affiliated charter school schoolsite with no less than the amount of funding the schoolsite received pursuant to the charter school block grant in the 2012–13 fiscal year.

(m) Any calculations in law that are used for purposes of determining if a local educational agency is an excess tax school entity or basic aid school district, including, but not limited to, this section and Sections 42238.03, 41544, 47632, 47660, 47663, 48310, and 48359.5, and Section 95 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, shall be made exclusive of the revenue received
pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (e) of Section 36 of Article XIII of the California Constitution.

(n) The funds apportioned pursuant to this section and Section 42238.03 shall be available to implement the activities required pursuant to Article 4.5 (commencing with Section 52059.5) of Chapter 6.1 of Part 28 of Division 4.

(o) A school district that does not receive an apportionment of state funds pursuant to this section, as implemented pursuant to Section 42238.03, excluding funds apportioned pursuant to the requirements of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of Section 42238.03, shall be considered a “basic aid school district” or an “excess tax entity.”

California Teacher Credential Award Program (Adds Education Code Section 44414)

SEC 18. 44414. (a) The California Teacher Credential Award Program is hereby established for the purpose of providing service awards to teachers who earn a preliminary credential in a high need subject, are appropriately assigned, and provide instruction at a high need school.

(b) Subject to an appropriation for these purposes in the annual Budget Act or another statute, the commission shall issue a request for proposal to all local educational agencies to solicit applications for funding.

(c) The commission shall approve applications submitted by local educational agencies that meet the criteria established pursuant to this section and established by the commission. To the extent that funds are available, the commission shall allocate funds to participating local educational agencies in the amount of the award authorized by this section for each approved application.

(d) A qualifying teacher is eligible to receive an award of up to twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) from the California Teacher Credential Award Program.

(e) Awards granted pursuant to this subdivision shall be disbursed in annual payments of five thousand dollars ($5,000) to qualifying teachers. The annual payment shall be made to qualifying teachers upon completion of an academic year of qualifying service and upon commission certification of a commission-developed application.

(f) The commission shall:
(1) Accept, review, and certify award requests from participating local educational agencies on an annual basis.
(2) Allocate awards annually to participating local educational agencies for the purpose of providing awards to qualifying teachers.

(g) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:
(1) “Local educational agency” means a school district, a county office of education, county superintendent of schools, a state operated education program, including a state special school, or an education program providing instruction in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, that is offered by a state agency, including the California Department of Youth and Community Restoration and the State Department of Developmental Services.
(2) “Qualifying teacher” means a teacher who has attained a preliminary credential on or after July 1, 2019 in a high-need subject.
(3) “Qualifying service” means completion of one year of instructional service in a high-need subject, authorized by the teacher’s credential, at a high-need school. Qualifying service shall not be required to be completed in four consecutive academic years. Instructional service completed before July 1, 2020, shall not be counted as qualifying service.
(4) “High-need subject” includes special education, bilingual instruction, science, technology, engineering, math, and computer science.
(5) “High-need school” is a school that exhibits at least one of the following characteristics:
(A) A school where 50 percent or more of the enrolled pupils are eligible for free or reduced-price meals.
(B) A school where at least 5 percent of the teachers are misassigned, as determined by the commission, or working on a short-term staffing permit, a provisional intern permit, or a waiver.
(C) A school that is located in either a rural location or a densely populated region.
(D) A school with a cumulative voluntary teacher attrition rate that exceeded 20 percent over the three preceding school years.
(h) The awards allocated pursuant to this section shall not be subject to local educational agency indirect costs.
(i) On or before January 1 of 2023 and each year thereafter until all funds have disbursed, the commission shall report the status of the program to the fiscal committees of the Legislature and Department of Finance, including, but not limited to, the number of participating local educational agencies, the number of awards issued, the degree to which the qualifying teachers meet the teacher shortage needs of the participating local educational agency, and the ethnic and racial composition of the qualifying teachers in the program. The report shall be made in conformance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

Teacher Residency Grant Program (Adds Education Code Sections 44415.1 and 44417.1)

SEC 19. 44415.1. (a) For the 2020-21 fiscal year, the sum of one hundred seventy-five million dollars ($175,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for the Teacher Residency Grant Program to support teacher residency programs that recruit and support the preparation of teachers pursuant to this section. This funding shall be available for encumbrance until June 30, 2025.
(b) (1) The commission shall make one-time grants to grant applicants to establish new or expand existing teacher residency programs in designated shortage fields, including special education, bilingual education, science, computer science, technology, engineering, or mathematics, and any others identified by the commission based on analysis of hiring and vacancy data on an annual basis. Grant recipients shall work with one or more commission-accredited teacher preparation programs and may work with other community partners or nonprofit organizations to develop and implement programs of preparation and mentoring for resident teachers who will be supported through program funds and subsequently employed by the sponsoring grant recipient.
(2) A grant applicant may consist of one or more, or any combination, of the following:
(A) A school district.
(B) A county office of education.
(C) A charter school.
(D) A regional occupational center or program operated by a joint powers authority.
(E) A nonpublic, nonsectarian school, as defined in Section 56034.
(c) Grants allocated pursuant to subdivision (b) shall be up to twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) per teacher candidate in the residency program of the jurisdiction of the grant recipient, matched by that grant recipient on a dollar-for-dollar basis. Residents are also eligible for other forms of federal, state and local educational agency financial assistance to support the cost of their preparation. Grant program funding shall be used for, but is not limited to, any of the following: teacher preparation costs, stipends for mentor teachers, stipends for teacher candidates, recruitment costs, residency program staff, and mentoring and beginning teacher induction costs following initial preparation.
(d) A grant recipient shall not use more than 5 percent of a grant award for program administration costs.
(e) A grant recipient shall provide a 100-percent match of grant funding in the form of one or both of the following:
(1) One dollar ($1) for every one dollar ($1) of grant funding received that is to be used in a manner consistent with allowable grant activities pursuant to subdivision (c).
(2) An in-kind match of program director personnel costs, mentor teacher personnel costs or other personnel costs related to the Teacher Residency Grant Program, provided by the grant recipient.

(f) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) “Teacher residency program” is a grant applicant-based program that partners with one or more commission-approved teacher preparation programs offered by a regionally-accredited institution of postsecondary education in which a prospective teacher teaches at least one-half time alongside a teacher of record, who is designated as the experienced mentor teacher, for at least one full school year while engaging in initial preparation coursework.

(2) An “experienced mentor teacher” for purposes of the Teacher Residency Grant Program is an educator who meets all of the following requirements:

(A) Has at least three years of teaching experience and holds a clear credential in the subject in which he or she will be mentoring.

(B) Has a record of successful teaching as demonstrated, at a minimum, by satisfactory annual performance evaluations for the preceding three years.

(C) Receives specific training for the mentor teacher role, and engages in ongoing professional learning and networking with other mentors.

(D) Receives compensation, appropriate release time, or both, to serve as a mentor in the initial preparation or beginning teacher induction component of the teacher residency program.

(g) Grant recipients shall do all of the following:

(1) Ensure that candidates are prepared to earn a preliminary teaching credential that will authorize the candidate to teach in a designated shortage field upon completion of the program.

(2) Ensure that candidates are provided instruction in all of the following:

(A) Teaching the content area or areas in which the teacher will become certified to teach.

(B) Planning, curriculum development, and assessment.

(C) Learning and child development.

(D) Management of the classroom environment.

(E) Use of culturally responsive practices, supports for language development, and supports for serving pupils with disabilities.

(F) Professional responsibilities, including interaction with families and colleagues.

(3) Provide each candidate mentoring and beginning teacher induction support following the completion of the initial credential program necessary to obtain a clear credential and ongoing professional development and networking opportunities during his or her first years of teaching.

(4) Prepare candidates to teach at the same grant recipient in which they will work and learn the instructional initiatives and curriculum of the grant recipient.

(5) Group teacher candidates in cohorts to facilitate professional collaboration among residents, and place candidates in teaching schools or professional development programs that are organized to support a high-quality teacher learning experience in a supportive work environment.

(h) To receive a grant, an applicant shall submit an application to the commission at a time, in a manner, and containing information prescribed by the commission.

(i) When selecting grant recipients, the commission shall do both of the following:

(1) Require applicants to demonstrate a need for teachers in one or more designated shortage fields and to propose to establish a new, or expand an existing, teacher residency program that recruits, prepares, and supports teachers to in one or more such fields in a school within the jurisdiction of the sponsoring grant applicant.

(2) Give priority consideration to grant applicants who demonstrate a commitment to increasing diversity in the teaching workforce and with one or more schools that exhibit one or both of the following characteristics:

(A) A school where 50 percent or more of the enrolled pupils are eligible for free or reduced-price meals.
(B) A school that is located in either a rural location or a densely populated region.

(j) A candidate in a teacher residency program sponsored by a grant provided pursuant to subdivision (b) shall agree in writing to serve in a school within the grant recipient that sponsored the candidate for a period of at least four school years beginning with the school year that begins after the candidate successfully completes the initial year of preparation and obtains a preliminary teaching credential. A candidate who fails to earn a preliminary credential or complete the period of the placement shall reimburse the sponsoring grant recipient the amount of grant funding invested in the candidate’s residency training. The amount to be reimbursed shall be adjusted proportionately to reflect the service provided if the candidate taught at least one year, but less than four years, at the sponsoring grant recipient. A candidate shall have five school years to complete the four-school-year teaching commitment.

(k) If a candidate is unable to complete a school year of teaching, that school year may still be counted toward the required four complete school years if any of the following occur:

1. The candidate has completed at least one-half of the school year.
2. The employer deems the candidate to have fulfilled his or her contractual requirements for the school year for the purposes of salary increases, probationary or permanent status, and retirement.
3. The candidate was not able to teach due to the financial circumstances of the sponsoring grant recipient, including a decision to not reelect the employee for the next succeeding school year.
4. The candidate has a condition covered under the federal Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (29 U.S.C. Sec. 2061 et seq.) or similar state law.
5. The candidate was called or ordered to active duty status for more than 30 days as a member of a reserve component of the Armed Forces of the United States.

(l) For purposes of administering the grant program pursuant to subdivision (b), the commission shall do all of the following:

1. Determine the number of grants to be awarded and the total amount awarded to each grant applicant.
2. Require grant recipients to submit program and expenditure reports, as specified by the commission, as a condition of receiving grant funds.
3. Annually review each grant recipient’s program and expenditure reports to determine if any candidate has failed to meet his or her commitment pursuant to subdivision (j).

(m) If the commission determines or is informed that a sponsored candidate failed to earn a preliminary credential or meet his or her commitment to teach pursuant to subdivision (j), the commission shall confirm with the grant recipient the applicable grant amount to be recovered from the candidate and the grant recipient. The amount to be recovered shall be adjusted proportionately to reflect the service provided if the candidate taught at least one year, but less than four years, at the sponsoring grant recipient.

(n) Upon confirming the amount to be recovered from the grant recipient pursuant to subdivision (m), the commission shall notify the grant recipient of the amount to be repaid within 60 days. The grant recipient shall have 60 days from the date of the notification to make the required repayment to the commission. If the grant recipient fails to make the required payment within 60 days, the commission shall notify the Controller and the grant recipient of the failure to repay the amount owed. The Controller shall deduct an amount equal to the amount owed to the commission from the grant recipient’s next principal apportionment or apportionments of state funds, other than basic aid apportionments required by Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution. If the grant recipient is a regional occupational center or a program operated by a joint powers authority that does not receive principal apportionment or apportionments of state funds, or a consortia of local educational agencies, the commission shall notify the Controller of the local educational agency where the candidate taught and the Controller shall deduct the amount owed from the applicable local educational agency’s next principal apportionment or
apportionments of state funds, other than basic aid apportionments required by Section 6 of Article IX of the California Constitution.

(o) An amount recovered by the commission or deducted by the Controller pursuant to subdivision (n) shall be deposited into the Proposition 98 Reversion Account.

(p) Grant recipients may recover from a sponsored candidate who fails to earn a preliminary credential or complete the period of placement the amount of grant funding invested in the candidate’s residency training. The amount to be recovered shall be adjusted proportionately to reflect the service provided if the candidate taught at least one year, but less than four years, at the sponsoring grant recipient.

(q) Grant recipients shall not charge a teacher resident a fee to participate in the Teacher Residency Grant Program.

(r) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), the commission may allocate up to five million dollars ($5,000,000) of the amount appropriated pursuant to subdivision (a) to capacity grants that shall be awarded on a competitive basis to local educational agencies or consortia, as designated pursuant to this section, partnering with regionally-accredited institutions of higher education to expand or create teacher residency programs that lead to more credentialed teachers to teach in shortage fields.

(2) (A) The commission shall determine the number of capacity grants to be awarded and the amount of the applicable grants.

(B) Individual capacity grants shall not exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars ($150,000) per grant recipient.

(s) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, fifty million dollars ($50,000,000) of the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2018–19 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2018–19 fiscal year.

(t) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, one hundred twenty-five million dollars ($125,000,000) of the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020–21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020–21 fiscal year.

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The commission shall conduct an evaluation of the Teacher Residency Grant Program established in Section 44415.1 to determine the effectiveness of this program in recruiting, developing support systems for, and retaining teachers prepared to teach in commission-designated shortage areas and provide a report to the Department of Finance and the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the Legislature by December 1, 2025.

Educator Workforce Investment Grant (Adds Education Code Section 44655)

SEC 20. 44655 (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

(1) A critical component of an effective statewide system of support for local educational agencies and schools is a strong and coherent professional learning infrastructure to ensure that there is a an adequate supply of high-quality, standards-aligned, professional development offerings available to all local educational agencies and schools interested in improving practice
and student performance across the state priorities identified pursuant to Sections 52060 and 52066, and especially those represented on the California School Dashboard established pursuant to Section 52064.5.

(2) In addition to training in subject matter pedagogy, educators need opportunities to learn how to teach California’s diverse students well, how to engage families and caregivers in their education, and how to support social-emotional learning, restorative practices, and a positive school climate.

(3) Designing professional learning opportunities to include early educators will increase the alignment between early education and K-12 education and help prepare California’s early learners for academic success.

(4) Developing a centralized capacity to organize and leverage high-quality professional learning opportunities for teachers and paraprofessionals on a statewide basis will maximize the return on state and local investments in professional learning opportunities for teachers and paraprofessionals.

(b) (1) Subject to an appropriation provided for this purpose, the department and the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, shall establish a competitive grant process to be administered by the department and subject to approval by the executive director of the State Board of Education, to select providers of high-quality professional learning opportunities specified in subdivision and (d) for school staff as part of the statewide system of support pursuant to Article 4.5 (commencing with Section 52059.5) of Chapter 6.1 of Part 28 of Division 4.

(2) Subject to an appropriation by the Legislature to provide professional learning opportunities pursuant to this section on topics in addition to those specified in subdivision (d), the department and the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, shall select one or more grantees to provide professional learning opportunities consistent with subdivision (c) and shall ensure that the delivery of professional learning opportunities on those topics is aligned with the other professional learning opportunities delivered pursuant to this section.

(3) At the conclusion of each grant term, the department may, subject to approval by the executive director of the State Board of Education, renew the selection of the grantee or grantees or reopen the selection process.

(4) Before renewing a grant, the department and the California Collaborative for Education Excellence, shall evaluate the grantee’s or grantees’ performance relative to the requirements and criteria identified pursuant to subdivision (c) and (d) and other metrics identified by the grantee or grantees.

(5) Grants awarded pursuant to this section shall be:
(A) Awarded for a term not to exceed five years.
(B) Administered by the department.

(c) The department and the California Collaborative for Education Excellence, shall ensure that the selected grantee or grantees:

(1) Develop, and deliver free of charge to local educational agencies statewide, professional development and professional learning opportunities that, at a minimum, are content focused, standards and research-based, incorporate active learning, support and promote collaboration, use models of effective practice, provide coaching and expert support, offer feedback and reflection, and are of sustained duration.

(2) Leverage and utilize expertise and resources already identified, developed, and available including, but not limited to, expert leads established pursuant to Section 52073.1 and the special education resource leads established pursuant to Section 52073.2, to advance the goals of this section.

(3) Provide professional learning opportunities in a manner that is consistent with the statewide system of support pursuant to Article 4.5 (commencing with Section 52059.5) of Chapter 6.1 of Part 28 of Division 4.
4. Provide ongoing coaching and training for school staff that supports the professional learning opportunities provided pursuant to this section.
5. Design and develop professional learning opportunities to include early educators.
6. Work within the statewide system of support to provide professional development and professional learning opportunities.
7. Provide ongoing training to develop mentors and coaches that support school staff in high-need settings.
8. Review professional learning opportunities offered pursuant to this section to ensure they are high-quality.
9. In consultation with the department and the California collaborative for Educational Excellence, evaluate the professional learning opportunities offered or funded pursuant to this section for their effectiveness. The grantee or grantees shall participate in development of the evaluation.
10. Identify any existing gaps in capacity to deliver high-quality professional learning opportunities on a statewide basis and work with professional learning providers selected pursuant to this section and other partners to address those gaps.

(d) Professional learning opportunities offered pursuant to this section shall address one or more of the following topics:
1. Literacy: Support effective, standards-aligned instruction and improve instruction in literacy across all subject areas, including science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields and computer science.
2. Mental Health Supports: Strategies to support social-emotional learning, trauma-informed practices, suicide prevention, access to mental health services, and other approaches that improve student well-being.
3. School Climate: Strategies to create a positive school climate including, but not limited to, restorative justice, training around implicit bias, providing positive behavioral supports, multi-tiered systems of support, and preventing discrimination, harassment, bullying and intimidation based on actual or perceived characteristics including disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, language, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, or sexual orientation.
4. Supports for Students with Disabilities:
   (A) Universal design for learning to improve inclusive practices for all students, including students with disabilities, in general education settings.
   (B) Best practices for early identification of individuals with exceptional needs and develop appropriate individualized education programs for these pupils.
5. English Learners: Implement effective language acquisition programs for English learners, which may include integrated language development within and across content areas, building and strengthening capacity to implement the English Learner Roadmap adopted by the State Board of Education in July 2017, and bilingual and biliterate proficiency.
6. Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Computer Science:
   (A) Leverage existing resources, curriculum, and best practices, and identify new resources as needed, to support the effective implementation of computer science, science, technology, engineering, and math instruction in both an interdisciplinary and applied approach at all grades levels.
   (B) Align instructional practices to the Computer Science Content Standards and Next Generation Science Standards, with particular emphasis on how instruction and learning experiences can be delivered through either an interdisciplinary or applied approach at all grades levels.
   (C) Identify practices and strategies to support instruction, assessment, and learning experiences aligned to the standards that incorporate scientific inquiry and can be delivered through interdisciplinary and applied approaches at all grades levels.
(e) Priority for professional learning opportunities provided pursuant to this section may be given to school districts and county offices of education eligible to receive differentiated assistance pursuant to Sections 52071 and 52071.5, charter schools eligible to receive differentiated assistance pursuant to Section 47607.3, and schools identified for comprehensive support as described in Section 1003(e)(1)(B) of the federal Every Student Succeeds Act.

(f) The grantee or grantees shall provide program information to, and as needed by, the department, as a condition of receiving funds pursuant to this section.

(g) The department and the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall evaluate the professional learning opportunities provided pursuant to this section for their effectiveness. The process for selecting grantees shall ensure that grantees identify metrics to measure the effectiveness of the professional learning provided and under which the grantees will be evaluated in performing the duties specified in this section.

Exemption from Merit System for Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team Positions (Adds Education Code Section 45227)

SEC 21. 45227. (a) The following positions are exempt from the merit system, including but not limited to the requirements of Sections 45261 and 45272:

(1) Positions established by a county superintendent of schools to carry out the purposes of the respective sections noted herein while serving as the administrative agent for either (A) the county office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team established pursuant to Section 42127.8 (including positions associated to the California School Information Services established pursuant to Section 49080).

(b) Employees excluded from the merit system under this section shall remain a part of the classified service and shall be afforded all statutory rights, benefits and burdens of other classified employees employed by non-merit system districts or county superintendents of schools, as applicable.

County Office of Education Special Day Class Instructional Time Penalty (Amends Education Code Sections 46200.5 and 46201.5)

SEC 22. 46200.5. (a) For a county office of education that received an apportionment pursuant to former subdivision (c) of this section, as it read on January 1, 2013, operates a special day class or special day classes pursuant to Section 56364.2 and that offers fewer than 180 days of instruction, or, in multitrack year-round schools, fewer than the 163 days of instruction, as required in former subdivision (c) of this section, as it read on January 1, 2013, in the 2013–14 fiscal year or any fiscal year thereafter, the Superintendent shall withhold from the county superintendent of schools' local control funding formula alternative education grant entitlement computed pursuant to either subdivision (e) of Section 2574 or subdivision (a) of Section 2575 as apportioned determined pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 2575 for the average daily attendance of each affected grade level, the product of 0.0056 multiplied by that apportionment for each day less than what was required to avoid a reduction pursuant to this section, as it read on January 1, 2013, up to a maximum of five days. the amount computed pursuant to subdivision (b).

(b) The withholding shall equal to the product of 0.0056 multiplied by the amount calculated for the affected pupil's school district of residence pursuant to subdivisions (d) to (f), inclusive, of Section 42238.02 for each unit of average daily attendance of each affected grade level for each day less than what is required to avoid a reduction pursuant to this section, up to a maximum of five days.

(c) This section does not apply to special day classes operated in county community schools established pursuant to Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 1980) of Part 2 or juvenile court
schools established pursuant to Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 48645) of Chapter 4 of Part 27.

46201.5. (a) For a county office of education that received an apportionment pursuant to former subdivision (a) of this section, as it read on January 1, 2013, operates a special day class or special day classes pursuant to Section 56364.2 and that reduces the amount of instructional time offered below the minimum amounts specified in subdivision (b), the Superintendent shall withhold from the county superintendent of schools’ county local control funding formula grant apportionment entitlement computed pursuant to either subdivision (e) of Section 2574 or subdivision (a) of Section 2575 as apportioned determined pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 2575 an amount computed pursuant to subdivision (c), for the average daily attendance of each affected grade level, the product of that apportionment multiplied by the percentage of the minimum required minutes at that grade level that the county office of education failed to offer. (b) Commencing with the 2013–14 fiscal year, a county office of education shall, at a minimum, offer the following amount of instructional time:
1. Thirty-six thousand minutes in kindergarten.
2. Fifty thousand four hundred minutes in grades 1 to 3, inclusive.
3. Fifty-four thousand minutes in grades 4 to 8, inclusive.
4. Sixty-four thousand eight hundred minutes in grades 9 to 12, inclusive.
(c) The withholding shall be equal to the product of 0.0056 multiplied by the amount calculated for the affected pupil’s school district of residence pursuant to subdivisions (d) to (l), inclusive, of Section 42238.02 for each unit of average daily attendance of each affected grade level multiplied by the percentage of the minimum required minutes at that grade level that the county office of education failed to offer.
(d) This section does not apply to special day classes operated in county community schools established pursuant to Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 1980) of Part 2 or juvenile court schools established pursuant to Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 48645) of Chapter 4 of Part 27.

Charter School Petitions and Renewals - AB 1505/AB 1507 Conforming Clean-up (Amends Education Code Sections 47604.1, 47605, 47605.9, 47607, and 47607.5)

SEC 23. 47604.1. (a) For purposes of this section, an “entity managing a charter school” means a nonprofit public benefit corporation that operates a charter school consistent with Section 47604. An entity that is not authorized to operate a charter school pursuant to Section 47604 is not an “entity managing a charter school” solely because it contracts with a charter school to provide to that charter school goods or task-related services that are performed at the direction of the governing body of the charter school and for which the governing body retains ultimate decision-making authority.
(b) A charter school and an entity managing a charter school shall be subject to all of the following:
1. The Ralph M. Brown Act (Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 54950) of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code), except that a charter school operated by an entity pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 47620) shall be subject to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code) regardless of the authorizing entity.
2. (A) The California Public Records Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code).
   (B) (i) The chartering authority of a charter school shall be the custodian of records with regard to any request for information submitted to the charter school if either of the following apply:
(I) The charter school is located on a federally recognized California Indian reservation or rancheria.

(II) The charter school is operated by a nonprofit public benefit corporation that was formed on or before May 31, 2002, and is currently operated by a federally recognized California Indian tribe.

(iii) This subparagraph does not allow a chartering authority to delay or obstruct access to records otherwise required under the California Public Records Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code).

(3) Article 4 (commencing with Section 1090) of Chapter 1 of Division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code.

(4) (A) The Political Reform Act of 1974 (Title 9 (commencing with Section 81000) of the Government Code).

(B) For purposes of Section 87300 of the Government Code, a charter school and an entity managing a charter school shall be considered an agency and is the most decentralized level for purposes of adopting a conflict-of-interest code.

(c) (1) (A) The governing body of one charter school shall meet within the physical boundaries of the county in which the charter school is located.

(B) A two-way teleconference location shall be established at each school-site.

(2) (A) The governing body of one non-classroom-based charter school that does not have a facility or operates one or more resource centers shall meet within the physical boundaries of the county in which the greatest number of pupils who are enrolled in that charter school reside.

(B) A two-way teleconference location shall be established at each resource center.

(3) (A) For a governing body of an entity managing one or more charter schools located within the same county, the governing body of the entity managing a charter school shall meet within the physical boundaries of the county in which that charter school or schools are located.

(B) A two-way teleconference location shall be established at each school-site and each resource center.

(4) (A) For a governing body of an entity that manages two or more charter schools that are not located in the same county, the governing body of the entity managing the charter schools shall meet within the physical boundaries of the county in which the greatest number of pupils enrolled in those charter schools managed by that entity reside.

(B) A two-way teleconference location shall be established at each school-site and each resource center.

(C) The governing body of the entity managing the charter schools shall audio record, video record, or both, all the governing board meetings and post the recordings on each charter school’s internet website.

(5) This subdivision does not limit the authority of the governing body of a charter school and an entity managing a charter school to meet outside the boundaries described in this subdivision if authorized by Section 54954 of the Government Code, and the meeting place complies with Section 54961 of the Government Code.

(d) Notwithstanding Article 4 (commencing with Section 1090) of Chapter 1 of Division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code, an employee of a charter school shall not be disqualified from serving as a member of the governing body of the charter school because of that employee’s employment status. A member of the governing body of a charter school who is also an employee of the charter school shall abstain from voting on, or influencing or attempting to influence another member of the governing body regarding, all matters uniquely affecting that member’s employment.

(e) To the extent a governing body of a charter school or an entity managing a charter school engages in activities that are unrelated to a charter school, Article 4 (commencing with Section 1090) of Chapter 1 of Division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code, the Ralph M. Brown Act (Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 54950) of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code).
Code), the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code), the California Public Records Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code), and the Political Reform Act of 1974 (Title 9 (commencing with Section 81000) of the Government Code) shall not apply with regard to those unrelated activities unless otherwise required by law.

(f) A meeting of the governing body of a charter school to discuss items related to the operation of the charter school shall not include the discussion of any item regarding an activity of the governing body that is unrelated to the operation of the charter school.

(g) The requirements of this section shall not be waived by the state board pursuant to section 33050 or any other law.

47605. (a) (1) Except as set forth in paragraph (2), a petition for the establishment of a charter school within a school district may be circulated by one or more persons seeking to establish the charter school. A petition for the establishment of a charter school shall identify a single charter school that will operate within the geographic boundaries of that school district. A charter school may propose to operate at multiple sites within the school district if each location is identified in the charter school petition. The petition may be submitted to the governing board of the school district for review after either of the following conditions is met:

(A) The petition is signed by a number of parents or legal guardians of pupils that is equivalent to at least one-half of the number of pupils that the charter school estimates will enroll in the charter school for its first year of operation.

(B) The petition is signed by a number of teachers that is equivalent to at least one-half of the number of teachers that the charter school estimates will be employed at the charter school during its first year of operation.

(2) A petition that proposes to convert an existing public school to a charter school that would not be eligible for a loan pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 41365 may be circulated by one or more persons seeking to establish the charter school. The petition may be submitted to the governing board of the school district for review after the petition is signed by not less than 50 percent of the permanent status teachers currently employed at the public school to be converted.

(3) A petition shall include a prominent statement that a signature on the petition means that the parent or legal guardian is meaningfully interested in having their child or ward attend the charter school, or in the case of a teacher’s signature, means that the teacher is meaningfully interested in teaching at the charter school. The proposed charter shall be attached to the petition.

(4) After receiving approval of its petition, a charter school that proposes to expand operations to one or more additional sites or grade levels shall request a material revision to its charter and shall notify the chartering authority of those additional locations or grade levels. The chartering authority shall consider whether to approve those additional locations or grade levels at an open, public meeting. If the additional locations or grade levels are approved pursuant to the standards and criteria described in subdivision (c), they shall be a material revision to the charter school’s charter.

(5) (A) A charter school that established one site outside the boundaries of the school district, but within the county in which that school district is located before January 1, 2020, may continue to operate that site until the charter school submits a request for the renewal of its charter petition. To continue operating the site, the charter school shall do either of the following:

(i) First, before submitting the request for the renewal of the charter petition, obtain approval in writing from the school district where the site is operating.
Submit a request for the renewal of the charter petition pursuant to Section 47607 to the school district in which the charter school is located.

(B) If a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency is issued in accordance with the federal Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 5121 et seq.) for an area in which a charter school site is located and operating, the charter school, for not more than five years, may relocate that site outside the area subject to the Presidential declaration if the charter school first obtains the written approval of the school district where the site is being relocated.

(C) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), if a charter school was relocated from December 31, 2016, to December 31, 2019, inclusive, due to a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency in accordance with the federal Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 5121 et seq.), that charter school shall be allowed to return to its original campus location in perpetuity.

(D) A charter school located on a federally recognized California Indian reservation or rancheria or operated by a federally recognized California Indian tribe shall be exempt from the geographic restrictions of this subsection or section 47605.1.

(E) The department shall regard as a continuing charter school for all purposes a charter school that was granted approval of its petition, that was providing educational services to pupils prior to October 1, 2019, and is authorized by a different chartering authority due to changes to this paragraph that took effect January 1, 2020.

(6) Commencing January 1, 2003, a petition to establish a charter school shall not be approved to serve pupils in a grade level that is not served by the school district of the governing board considering the petition, unless the petition proposes to serve pupils in all of the grade levels served by that school district.

(b) No later than 60 days after receiving a petition, in accordance with subdivision (a), the governing board of the school district shall hold a public hearing on the provisions of the charter, at which time the governing board of the school district shall consider the level of support for the petition by teachers employed by the school district, other employees of the school district, and parents. Following review of the petition and the public hearing, the governing board of the school district shall either grant or deny the charter within 90 days of receipt of the petition, provided, however, that the date may be extended by an additional 30 days if both parties agree to the extension. A petition is deemed received by the governing board of the school district for purposes of commencing the timelines described in this subdivision on the day the petitioner submits a petition to the district office, along with a signed certification that the petitioner deems the petition to be complete. The governing board of the school district shall publish all staff recommendations, including the recommended findings and, if applicable, the certification from the county superintendent of schools prepared pursuant to paragraph (8) of subdivision (c), regarding the petition at least 15 days before the public hearing at which the governing board of the school district will either grant or deny the charter. At the public hearing at which the governing board of the school district will either grant or deny the charter, petitioners shall have equivalent time and procedures to present evidence and testimony to respond to the staff recommendations and findings.

(c) In reviewing petitions for the establishment of charter schools pursuant to this section, the chartering authority shall be guided by the intent of the Legislature that charter schools are and should become an integral part of the California educational system and that the establishment of charter schools should be encouraged. The governing board of the school district shall grant a charter for the operation of a school under this part if it is satisfied that granting the charter is consistent with sound educational practice and with the interests of the community in which the school is proposing to locate. The governing board of the school district shall consider the academic needs of the pupils the school proposes to serve. The governing board of the school district shall not deny a petition for the establishment of a charter school unless it makes written
factual findings, specific to the particular petition, setting forth specific facts to support one or more of the following findings:
(1) The charter school presents an unsound educational program for the pupils to be enrolled in the charter school.
(2) The petitioners are demonstrably unlikely to successfully implement the program set forth in the petition.
(3) The petition does not contain the number of signatures required by subdivision (a).
(4) The petition does not contain an affirmation of each of the conditions described in subdivision (e).
(5) The petition does not contain reasonably comprehensive descriptions of all of the following:
   (A) (i) The educational program of the charter school, designed, among other things, to identify those whom the charter school is attempting to educate, what it means to be an “educated person” in the 21st century, and how learning best occurs. The goals identified in that program shall include the objective of enabling pupils to become self-motivated, competent, and lifelong learners.
   (ii) The annual goals for the charter school for all pupils and for each subgroup of pupils identified pursuant to Section 52052, to be achieved in the state priorities, as described in subdivision (d) of Section 52060, that apply for the grade levels served, and specific annual actions to achieve those goals. A charter petition may identify additional school priorities, the goals for the school priorities, and the specific annual actions to achieve those goals.
   (iii) If the proposed charter school will serve high school pupils, the manner in which the charter school will inform parents about the transferability of courses to other public high schools and the eligibility of courses to meet college entrance requirements. Courses offered by the charter school that are accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges may be considered transferable and courses approved by the University of California or the California State University as creditable under the “A to G” admissions criteria may be considered to meet college entrance requirements.
   (B) The measurable pupil outcomes identified for use by the charter school. “Pupil outcomes,” for purposes of this part, means the extent to which all pupils of the charter school demonstrate that they have attained the skills, knowledge, and attitudes specified as goals in the charter school’s educational program. Pupil outcomes shall include outcomes that address increases in pupil academic achievement both schoolwide and for all pupil subgroups served by the charter school, as that term is defined in subdivision (a) of Section 52052. The pupil outcomes shall align with the state priorities, as described in subdivision (d) of Section 52060, that apply for the grade levels served by the charter school.
   (C) The method by which pupil progress in meeting those pupil outcomes is to be measured. To the extent practicable, the method for measuring pupil outcomes for state priorities shall be consistent with the way information is reported on a school accountability report card.
   (D) The governance structure of the charter school, including, but not limited to, the process to be followed by the charter school to ensure parental involvement.
   (E) The qualifications to be met by individuals to be employed by the charter school.
   (F) The procedures that the charter school will follow to ensure the health and safety of pupils and staff. These procedures shall require all of the following:
      (i) That each employee of the charter school furnish the charter school with a criminal record summary as described in Section 44237.
      (ii) The development of a school safety plan, which shall include the safety topics listed in subparagraphs (A) to (J), inclusive, of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 32282.
      (iii) That the school safety plan be reviewed and updated by March 1 of every year by the charter school.
   (G) The means by which the charter school will achieve a balance of racial and ethnic pupils, special education pupils, and English learner pupils, including redesignated fluent English
proficient pupils, as defined by the evaluation rubrics in Section 52064.5, that is reflective of the general population residing within the territorial jurisdiction of the school district to which the charter petition is submitted. Upon renewal, for a charter school not deemed to be a local educational agency for purposes of special education pursuant to Section 47641, the chartering authority may consider the effect of school placements made by the chartering authority in providing a free and appropriate public education as required by the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (Public Law 101-476), on the balance of pupils with disabilities at the charter school.

(H) Admission policies and procedures, consistent with subdivision (e).

(I) The manner in which annual, independent financial audits shall be conducted, which shall employ generally accepted accounting principles, and the manner in which audit exceptions and deficiencies shall be resolved to the satisfaction of the chartering authority.

(J) The procedures by which pupils can be suspended or expelled from the charter school for disciplinary reasons or otherwise involuntarily removed from the charter school for any reason. These procedures, at a minimum, shall include an explanation of how the charter school will comply with federal and state constitutional procedural and substantive due process requirements that is consistent with all of the following:

(i) For suspensions of fewer than 10 days, provide oral or written notice of the charges against the pupil and, if the pupil denies the charges, an explanation of the evidence that supports the charges and an opportunity for the pupil to present the pupil's side of the story.

(ii) For suspensions of 10 days or more and all other expulsions for disciplinary reasons, both of the following:

(I) Provide timely, written notice of the charges against the pupil and an explanation of the pupil's basic rights.

(II) Provide a hearing adjudicated by a neutral officer within a reasonable number of days at which the pupil has a fair opportunity to present testimony, evidence, and witnesses and confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses, and at which the pupil has the right to bring legal counsel or an advocate.

(iii) Contain a clear statement that no pupil shall be involuntarily removed by the charter school for any reason unless the parent or guardian of the pupil has been provided written notice of intent to remove the pupil no less than five schooldays before the effective date of the action. The written notice shall be in the native language of the pupil or the pupil's parent or guardian or, if the pupil is a foster child or youth or a homeless child or youth, the pupil's educational rights holder, and shall inform the pupil, the pupil's parent or guardian, or the pupil's educational rights holder of the right to initiate the procedures specified in clause (ii) before the effective date of the action. If the pupil's parent, guardian, or educational rights holder initiates the procedures specified in clause (ii), the pupil shall remain enrolled and shall not be removed until the charter school issues a final decision. For purposes of this clause, "involuntarily removed" includes disenrolled, dismissed, transferred, or terminated, but does not include suspensions specified in clauses (i) and (ii).

(K) The manner by which staff members of the charter schools will be covered by the State Teachers' Retirement System, the Public Employees' Retirement System, or federal social security.

(L) The public school attendance alternatives for pupils residing within the school district who choose not to attend charter schools.

(M) The rights of an employee of the school district upon leaving the employment of the school district to work in a charter school, and of any rights of return to the school district after employment at a charter school.

(N) The procedures to be followed by the charter school and the chartering authority to resolve disputes relating to provisions of the charter.
(O) The procedures to be used if the charter school closes. The procedures shall ensure a final audit of the charter school to determine the disposition of all assets and liabilities of the charter school, including plans for disposing of any net assets and for the maintenance and transfer of pupil records.

(6) The petition does not contain a declaration of whether or not the charter school shall be deemed the exclusive public employer of the employees of the charter school for purposes of Chapter 10.7 (commencing with Section 3540) of Division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code.

(7) The charter school is demonstrably unlikely to serve the interests of the entire community in which the school is proposing to locate. Analysis of this finding shall include consideration of the fiscal impact of the proposed charter school. A written factual finding under this paragraph shall detail specific facts and circumstances that analyze and consider the following factors:

(A) The extent to which the proposed charter school would substantially undermine existing services, academic offerings, or programmatic offerings.

(B) Whether the proposed charter school would duplicate a program currently offered within the school district and the existing program has sufficient capacity for the pupils proposed to be served within reasonable proximity to where the charter school intends to locate.

(8) The school district is not positioned to absorb the fiscal impact of the proposed charter school. A school district satisfies this paragraph if it has a qualified interim certification pursuant to Section 1240 42131 and the county superintendent of schools, in consultation with the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, certifies that approving the charter school would result in the school district having a negative interim certification pursuant to Section 1240 42131, has a negative interim certification pursuant to Section 1240 42131, or is under state receivership, has a trustee or administrator appointed pursuant to section 41320.1 or 41326. Charter schools proposed in a school district satisfying one of these conditions shall be subject to a rebuttable presumption of denial.

(d) (1) Charter schools shall meet all statewide standards and conduct the pupil assessments required pursuant to Section 60605 and any other statewide standards authorized in statute or pupil assessments applicable to pupils in noncharter public schools.

(2) Charter schools shall, on a regular basis, consult with their parents, legal guardians, and teachers regarding the charter school's educational programs.

(e) (1) In addition to any other requirement imposed under this part, a charter school shall be nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices, and all other operations, shall not charge tuition, and shall not discriminate against a pupil on the basis of the characteristics listed in Section 220. Except as provided in paragraph (2), admission to a charter school shall not be determined according to the place of residence of the pupil, or of that pupil's parent or legal guardian, within this state, except that an existing public school converting partially or entirely to a charter school under this part shall adopt and maintain a policy giving admission preference to pupils who reside within the former attendance area of that public school.

(2) (A) A charter school shall admit all pupils who wish to attend the charter school.

(B) If the number of pupils who wish to attend the charter school exceeds the charter school's capacity, attendance, except for existing pupils of the charter school, shall be determined by a public random drawing. Preference shall be extended to pupils currently attending the charter school and pupils who reside in the school district except as provided for in Section 47614.5.

Preferences, including, but not limited to, siblings of pupils admitted or attending the charter school and children of the charter school's teachers, staff, and founders identified in the initial charter, may also be permitted by the chartering authority on an individual charter school basis. Priority order for any preference shall be determined in the charter petition in accordance with all of the following:

(i) Each type of preference shall be approved by the chartering authority at a public hearing.

(ii) Preferences shall be consistent with federal law, the California Constitution, and Section 200.
(iii) Preferences shall not result in limiting enrollment access for pupils with disabilities, academically low-achieving pupils, English learners, neglected or delinquent pupils, homeless pupils, or pupils who are economically disadvantaged, as determined by eligibility for any free or reduced-price meal program, foster youth, or pupils based on nationality, race, ethnicity, or sexual orientation.

(iv) In accordance with Section 49011, preferences shall not require mandatory parental volunteer hours as a criterion for admission or continued enrollment.

(C) In the event of a drawing, the chartering authority shall make reasonable efforts to accommodate the growth of the charter school and shall not take any action to impede the charter school from expanding enrollment to meet pupil demand.

(3) If a pupil is expelled or leaves the charter school without graduating or completing the school year for any reason, the charter school shall notify the superintendent of the school district of the pupil’s last known address within 30 days, and shall, upon request, provide that school district with a copy of the cumulative record of the pupil, including report cards or a transcript of grades, and health information. If the pupil is subsequently expelled or leaves the school district without graduating or completing the school year for any reason, the school district shall provide this information to the charter school within 30 days if the charter school demonstrates that the pupil had been enrolled in the charter school. This paragraph applies only to pupils subject to compulsory full-time education pursuant to Section 48200.

(4) (A) A charter school shall not discourage a pupil from enrolling or seeking to enroll in the charter school for any reason, including, but not limited to, academic performance of the pupil or because the pupil exhibits any of the characteristics described in clause (iii) of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2).

(B) A charter school shall not request a pupil’s records or require a parent, guardian, or pupil to submit the pupil’s records to the charter school before enrollment.

(C) A charter school shall not encourage a pupil currently attending the charter school to disenroll from the charter school or transfer to another school for any reason, including, but not limited to, academic performance of the pupil or because the pupil exhibits any of the characteristics described in clause (iii) of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2). This subparagraph shall not apply to actions taken by a charter school pursuant to the procedures described in subparagraph (J) of paragraph (5) of subdivision (c).

(D) The department shall develop a notice of the requirements of this paragraph. This notice shall be posted on a charter school’s internet website. A charter school shall provide a parent or guardian, or a pupil if the pupil is 18 years of age or older, a copy of this notice at all of the following times:

(i) When a parent, guardian, or pupil inquires about enrollment.

(ii) Before conducting an enrollment lottery.

(iii) Before disenrollment of a pupil.

(E) (i) A person who suspects that a charter school has violated this paragraph may file a complaint with the chartering authority.

(ii) The department shall develop a template to be used for filing complaints pursuant to clause (i).

(5) Notwithstanding any other law, a charter school in operation as of July 1, 2019, that operates in partnership with the California National Guard may dismiss a pupil from the charter school for failing to maintain the minimum standards of conduct required by the Military Department.

(f) The governing board of a school district shall not require an employee of the school district to be employed in a charter school.

(g) The governing board of a school district shall not require a pupil enrolled in the school district to attend a charter school.

(h) The governing board of a school district shall require that the petitioner or petitioners provide information regarding the proposed operation and potential effects of the charter school,
including, but not limited to, the facilities to be used by the charter school, the manner in which administrative services of the charter school are to be provided, and potential civil liability effects, if any, upon the charter school and upon the school district. The description of the facilities to be used by the charter school shall specify where the charter school intends to locate. The petitioner or petitioners also shall be required to provide financial statements that include a proposed first-year operational budget, including startup costs, and cashflow and financial projections for the first three years of operation. If the school is to be operated by, or as, a nonprofit public benefit corporation, the petitioner shall provide the names and relevant qualifications of all persons whom the petitioner nominates to serve on the governing body of the charter school.

(i) In reviewing petitions for the establishment of charter schools within the school district, the governing board of the school district shall give preference to petitions that demonstrate the capability to provide comprehensive learning experiences to pupils identified by the petitioner or petitioners as academically low achieving pursuant to the standards established by the department under Section 54032, as that section read before July 19, 2006.

(j) Upon the approval of the petition by the governing board of the school district, the petitioner or petitioners shall provide written notice of that approval, including a copy of the petition, to the applicable county superintendent of schools, the department, and the state board.

(k) (1) (A) (i) If the governing board of a school district denies a petition, the petitioner may elect to submit the petition for the establishment of a charter school to the county board of education. The petitioner shall submit the petition to the county board of education within 30 days of a denial by the governing board of the school district. At the same time the petition is submitted to the county board of education, the petitioner shall also provide a copy of the petition to the school district. The county board of education shall review the petition pursuant to subdivisions (b) and (c). If the petition submitted on appeal contains new or different material terms, the county board of education shall immediately remand the petition to the governing board of the school district for reconsideration, which shall grant or deny the petition within 30 days. If the governing board of the school district denies a petition after reconsideration, the petitioner may elect to resubmit the petition for the establishment of a charter school to the county board of education.

(ii) The county board of education shall review the appeal petition pursuant to subdivision (c). If the denial of the petition was made pursuant to paragraph (8) of subdivision (c), the county board of education shall also review the school district’s findings pursuant to paragraph (8) of subdivision (c).

(iii) As used in this subdivision, “material terms” of the petition means the signatures, affirmations, disclosures, documents, and descriptions described in subdivisions (a), (b), (c), and (h), but shall not include minor administrative updates to the petition or related documents due to changes in circumstances based on the passage of time related to fiscal affairs, facilities arrangements, or state law, or to reflect the county board of education as the chartering authority.

(B) If the governing board of a school district denies a petition and the county lacks an independent county board of education and the county board has jurisdiction over a single school district, the petitioner may elect to submit the petition for the establishment of a charter school to the state board. The state board shall review the petition pursuant to this paragraph subdivision(c). If the denial of a charter petition is reversed by the state board, the state board shall designate the governing board of the school district in which the charter school is located as the chartering authority.

(2) If the county board of education denies a petition, the petitioner may appeal that denial to the state board.

(A) The petitioner shall submit the petition to the state board within 30 days of a denial by the county board of education. The petitioner shall include the findings and documentary record
from the governing board of the school district and the county board of education and a written submission detailing, with specific citations to the documentary record, how the governing board of the school district or the county board of education, or both, abused their discretion. The governing board of the school district and county board of education shall prepare the documentary record, including transcripts of the public hearing at which the governing board of the school district and county board of education denied the charter, at the request of the petitioner. The documentary record shall be prepared by the governing board of the school district and county board of education no later than 10 business days after the request of the petitioner is made. At the same time the petition and supporting documentation is submitted to the state board, the petitioner shall also provide a copy of the petition and supporting documentation to the school district and the county board of education.

(B) If the appeal contains new or different material terms, as defined in clause (iii) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1), the state board shall immediately remand the petition to the governing board of the school district to which the petition was submitted for reconsideration. The governing board of the school district shall grant or deny the petition within 30 days. If the governing board of the school district denies a petition after reconsideration, the petitioner may elect to resubmit the petition to the state board.

(C) Within 30 days of receipt of the appeal submitted to the state board, the governing board of the school district or county board of education may submit a written opposition to the state board detailing, with specific citations to the documentary record, how the governing board of the school district or the county board of education did not abuse its discretion in denying the petition. The governing board of the school district or the county board of education may submit supporting documentation or evidence from the documentary record that was considered by the governing board of the school district or the county board of education.

(D) The state board’s Advisory Commission on Charter Schools shall hold a public hearing to review the appeal and documentary record. Based on its review, the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools shall submit a recommendation to the state board whether there is sufficient evidence to hear the appeal or to summarily deny review of the appeal based on the documentary record. If the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools does not submit a recommendation to the state board, the state board shall consider the appeal, and shall either hear the appeal or summarily deny review of the appeal based on the documentary record at a regular public meeting of the state board.

(E) The state board shall either hear the appeal or summarily deny review of the appeal based on the documentary record. If the state board hears the appeal, the state board may affirm the determination of the governing board of the school district or the county board of education, or both of those determinations, or may reverse only upon a determination that there was an abuse of discretion. If the denial of a charter petition is reversed by the state board, the state board shall designate, in consultation with the petitioner, either the governing board of the school district or the county board of education in which the charter school is located as the chartering authority.

(3) A charter school for which a charter is granted by either the county board of education or the state board based on an appeal pursuant to this subdivision shall qualify fully as a charter school for all funding and other purposes of this part.

(4) A charter school that receives approval of its petition from a county board of education or from the state board on appeal shall be subject to the same requirements concerning geographic location to which it would otherwise be subject if it received approval from the chartering authority to which it originally submitted its petition. A charter petition that is submitted to either a county board of education or to the state board shall meet all otherwise applicable petition requirements, including the identification of the proposed site or sites where the charter school will operate.
Upon the approval of the petition by the county board of education, the petition or petitioners shall provide written notice of that approval, including a copy of the petition, to the governing board of the school district in which the charter school is located, the department, and the state board.

If either the county board of education or the state board fails to act on a petition within 180 days of receipt, the decision of the governing board of the school district to deny the petition shall be subject to judicial review.

Teachers in charter schools shall hold the Commission on Teacher Credentialing certificate, permit, or other document required for the teacher’s certificated assignment. These documents shall be maintained on file at the charter school and are subject to periodic inspection by the chartering authority. A governing body of a direct-funded charter school may use local assignment options authorized in statute and regulations for the purpose of legally assigning certificated teachers, in accordance with all of the requirements of the applicable statutes or regulations in the same manner as a governing board of a school district. A charter school shall have authority to request an emergency permit or a waiver from the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for individuals in the same manner as a school district.

By July 1, 2020, all teachers in charter schools shall obtain a certificate of clearance and satisfy the requirements for professional fitness pursuant to Sections 44339, 44340, and 44341.

The Commission on Teacher Credentialing shall include in the bulletins it issues pursuant to subdivision (k) of Section 44237 to provide notification to local educational agencies of any adverse actions taken against the holders of any commission documents, notice of any adverse actions taken against teachers employed by charter schools and shall make this bulletin available to all chartering authorities and charter schools in the same manner in which it is made available to local educational agencies.

A charter school shall transmit a copy of its annual, independent financial audit report for the preceding fiscal year, as described in subparagraph (I) of paragraph (5) of subdivision (c), to its chartering authority, the Controller, the county superintendent of schools of the county in which the charter school is sited, unless the county board of education of the county in which the charter school is sited is the chartering authority, and the department by December 15 of each year. This subdivision does not apply if the audit of the charter school is encompassed in the audit of the chartering authority pursuant to Section 41020.

A charter school may encourage parental involvement, but shall notify the parents and guardians of applicant pupils and currently enrolled pupils that parental involvement is not a requirement for acceptance to, or continued enrollment at, the charter school.

The requirements of this section shall not be waived by the state board pursuant to Section 33050 or any other law.

A petition to establish a charter school under this part may be submitted only to the governing board of the school district or county office of education within the boundaries of which the charter school proposes to locate.

A charter school operating under a charter approved by the state board pursuant to Section 47605, as that section read on January 1, 2019, may continue to operate under the authority of that chartering authority only until the date on which the charter is up for renewal, at which point the charter school shall submit a petition for renewal to the governing board of the school district within the boundaries of which the charter school is located. If the governing board of the school district denies the renewal petition, the charter school may submit the petition for renewal directly to the state board, which shall review the petition in accordance with subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (k) of Section 47605. If the state board grants renewal pursuant to Section 47607, the state board shall designate, in consultation with the petitioner, either the governing board of the school district or the county board of education in which the charter school is located as the chartering authority. Subsequent renewals shall be subject to the same
requirements as other charter schools authorized by the designated chartering authority, including review by the state board in accordance with Section 47607 and paragraph (2) of subdivision (k) of Section 47605.

(c) A charter school operating under a charter approved by the state board pursuant to Section 47605.8, as that section read on January 1, 2019, may continue to operate under the authority of that chartering authority only until the date on which the charter is up for renewal. The charter school shall submit a petition for renewal to the state board. If the state board grants renewal pursuant to Section 47607, the state board shall designate, in consultation with the petitioner, the governing board of the school district or county board of education in which the charter school is located as the chartering authority. A charter school assigned to a county board of education under this subdivision shall qualify as a charter school pursuant to Section 47605.6. Subsequent renewals shall be subject to the same requirements as other charter schools authorized by the same chartering authorities, including review by the state board in accordance with Section 47607 and paragraph (2) of subdivision (k) of Section 47605.

(d) A charter school designated to a new chartering authority pursuant to this section shall be regarded by the department as a continuing charter school for all purposes.

(e) The requirements of this section shall not be waived by the state board pursuant to Section 33050 or any other law.

(f) The requirements of this section shall not apply to a charter school subject to subdivision (g) of Section 47605.1.

47607. (a) (1) A charter may be granted pursuant to Sections 47605, 47605.5, 47605.6, and 47606 for a period not to exceed five years.

(2) A chartering authority may grant one or more subsequent renewals pursuant to subdivisions (b) and (c) and Section 47607.2. Notwithstanding subdivisions (b) and (c) and Section 47607.2, a chartering authority may deny renewal pursuant to subdivision (e).

(3) A charter school that, concurrently with its renewal, proposes to expand operations to one or more additional sites or grade levels shall request a material revision to its charter. A material revision of the provisions of a charter petition may be made only with the approval of the chartering authority. A material revision of a charter is governed by the standards and criteria described in Section 47605.

(4) The findings of paragraphs (7) and (8) of subdivision (c) of Section 47605 shall not be used to deny a renewal of an existing charter school, but may be used to deny a proposed expansion constituting a material revision. For a material revision, analysis of the findings of paragraphs (7) and (8) of subdivision (c) of Section 47605 shall be limited to consideration only of the impact of the proposed material revision.

(5) The chartering authority may inspect or observe any part of the charter school at any time.

(b) Renewals and material revisions of charters are governed by the standards and criteria described in Section 47605, and shall include, but not be limited to, a reasonably comprehensive description of any new requirement of charter schools enacted into law after the charter was originally granted or last renewed.

(c) (1) As an additional criterion for determining whether to grant a charter renewal, the chartering authority shall consider the performance of the charter school on the state and local indicators included in the evaluation rubrics adopted pursuant to Section 52064.5.

(2) (A) The chartering authority shall not deny renewal for a charter school pursuant to this subdivision if either of the following apply for two consecutive years immediately preceding the renewal decision:

(i) The charter school has received the two highest performance levels schoolwide on all the state indicators included in the evaluation rubrics adopted pursuant to Section 52064.5 for which it receives performance levels.
(ii) For all measurements of academic performance, the charter school has received performance levels schoolwide that are the same or higher than the state average and, for a majority of subgroups performing statewide below the state average in each respective year, received performance levels that are higher than the state average.

(iii) Notwithstanding clauses (i) and (ii), a charter school eligible for technical assistance pursuant to Section 47607.3 shall not qualify for renewal under this paragraph.

(iv) A charter school that meets the criteria established by this paragraph and subdivision (a) of Section 47607.2 shall not qualify for treatment under this paragraph.

(B) The chartering authority that granted the charter may renew a charter pursuant to this paragraph for a period of between five and seven years.

(C) A charter that satisfies the criteria in subparagraph (A) shall only be required to update the petition to include a reasonably comprehensive description of any new requirement of charter schools enacted into law after the charter was originally granted or last renewed and as necessary to reflect the current program offered by the charter.

(3) For purposes of this section and Section 47607.2, “measurements of academic performance” means indicators included in the evaluation rubrics adopted pursuant to Section 52064.5 that are based on statewide assessments in the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress system, or any successor system, the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California, or any successor system, and the college and career readiness indicator.

(4) For purposes of this section and Section 47607.2, “subgroup” means numerically significant pupil subgroups as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 52052.

(5) To qualify for renewal under clause (i) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2), subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 47607.2, or paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 47607.2, the charter school shall have schoolwide performance levels on at least two measurements of academic performance per year in each of the two consecutive years immediately preceding the renewal decision. To qualify for renewal under clause (ii) of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2), subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 47607.2, or paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 47607.2, the charter school shall have performance levels on at least two measurements of academic performance for at least two subgroups. A charter school without sufficient performance levels to meet these criteria shall be considered under subdivision (b) of Section 47607.2.

(6) For purposes of this section and Section 47607.2, if the dashboard indicators are not yet available for the most recently completed academic year before renewal, the chartering authority shall consider verifiable data provided by the charter school related to the dashboard indicators, such as data from the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, or any successor system, for the most recent academic year.

(7) Paragraph (2) and subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 47607.2 shall not apply to a charter school that is eligible for alternate methods for calculating the state and local indicators pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 52064.5. In determining whether to grant a charter renewal for such a charter school, the chartering authority shall consider, in addition to the charter school’s performance on the state and local indicators included in the evaluation rubrics adopted pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 52064.5, the charter school’s performance on alternative metrics applicable to the charter school based on the pupil population served. The chartering authority shall meet with the charter school during the first year of the charter school’s term to mutually agree to discuss alternative metrics to be considered pursuant to this paragraph and shall notify the charter school of the alternative metrics to be used within 30 days of this meeting. The chartering authority may deny a charter renewal pursuant to this paragraph only upon making written findings, setting forth specific facts to support the findings, that the closure of the charter school is in the best interest of pupils.
(d) (1) At the conclusion of the year immediately preceding the final year of the charter school’s term, the charter school authorizer may request, and the department shall provide, the following aggregate data reflecting pupil enrollment patterns at the charter school:

(A) The cumulative enrollment for each school year of the charter school’s term. For purposes of this chapter, cumulative enrollment is defined as the total number of pupils, disaggregated by race, ethnicity, and pupil subgroups, who enrolled in school at any time during the school year.

(B) For each school year of the charter school’s term, the percentage of pupils enrolled at any point between the beginning of the school year and census day who were not enrolled at the conclusion of that year, and the average results on the statewide assessments in the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress system, or any successor system, for any such pupils who were enrolled in the charter school the prior school year.

(C) For each school year of the charter school’s term, the percentage of pupils enrolled the prior school year who were not enrolled as of census day for the school year, except for pupils who completed the grade that is the highest grade served by the charter school, and the average results on the statewide assessments in the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress system, or any successor system, for any such pupils.

(2) When determining whether to grant a charter renewal, the chartering authority shall review data provided pursuant to paragraph (1), any data that may be provided to chartering authorities by the department, and any substantiated complaints that the charter school has not complied with subparagraph (J) of paragraph (5) of subdivision (c) of Section 47605 or with subparagraph (J) of paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) of Section 47605.6.

(3) As part of its determination of whether to grant a charter renewal based on the criterion established pursuant to subdivision (c) and subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 47607.2, the chartering authority may make a finding that the charter school is not serving all pupils who wish to attend and, upon making such a finding, specifically identify the evidence supporting the finding.

(e) Notwithstanding subdivision (c) and subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 47607.2, the chartering authority may deny renewal of a charter school upon a finding that the school is demonstrably unlikely to successfully implement the program set forth in the petition due to substantial fiscal or governance factors, or is not serving all pupils who wish to attend, as documented pursuant to subdivision (d). The chartering authority may deny renewal of a charter school under this subdivision only after it has provided at least 30 days’ notice to the charter school of the alleged violation and provided the charter school with a reasonable opportunity to cure the violation, including a corrective action plan proposed by the charter school. The chartering authority may deny renewal only by making either of the following findings:

(1) The corrective action proposed by the charter school has been unsuccessful.

(2) The violations are sufficiently severe and pervasive as to render a corrective action plan unviable.

(f) A charter may be revoked by the chartering authority if the chartering authority finds, through a showing of substantial evidence, that the charter school did any of the following:

(1) Committed a material violation of any of the conditions, standards, or procedures set forth in the charter.

(2) Failed to meet or pursue any of the pupil outcomes identified in the charter.

(3) Failed to meet generally accepted accounting principles, or engaged in fiscal mismanagement.

(4) Violated any law.

(g) Before revocation, the chartering authority shall notify the charter school of any violation of this section and give the school a reasonable opportunity to remedy the violation, unless the chartering authority determines, in writing, that the violation constitutes a severe and imminent threat to the health or safety of the pupils.
(h) Before revoking a charter for failure to remedy a violation pursuant to subdivision (f), and after expiration of the school’s reasonable opportunity to remedy without successfully remedying the violation, the chartering authority shall provide a written notice of intent to revoke and notice of facts in support of revocation to the charter school. No later than 30 days after providing the notice of intent to revoke a charter, the chartering authority shall hold a public hearing, in the normal course of business, on the issue of whether evidence exists to revoke the charter. No later than 30 days after the public hearing, the chartering authority shall issue a final decision to revoke or decline to revoke the charter, unless the chartering authority and the charter school agree to extend the issuance of the decision by an additional 30 days. The chartering authority shall not revoke a charter, unless it makes written factual findings supported by substantial evidence, specific to the charter school, that support its findings.

(i) (1) If a school district is the chartering authority and it revokes a charter pursuant to this section, the charter school may appeal the revocation to the county board of education within 30 days following the final decision of the chartering authority.

(2) The county board of education may reverse the revocation decision if the county board of education determines that the findings made by the chartering authority under subdivision (h) are not supported by substantial evidence. The school district may appeal the reversal to the state board.

(3) If the county board of education does not issue a decision on the appeal within 90 days of receipt, or the county board of education upholds the revocation, the charter school may appeal the revocation to the state board.

(4) The state board may reverse the revocation decision if the state board determines that the findings made by the chartering authority under subdivision (h) are not supported by substantial evidence.

(j) (1) If a county board of education is the chartering authority and the county board of education revokes a charter pursuant to this section, the charter school may appeal the revocation to the state board within 30 days following the decision of the chartering authority.

(2) The state board may reverse the revocation decision if the state board determines that the findings made by the chartering authority under subdivision (h) are not supported by substantial evidence.

(k) If the revocation decision of the chartering authority is reversed on appeal, the agency that granted the charter shall continue to be regarded as the chartering authority.

(l) During the pendency of an appeal filed under this section, a charter school whose revocation proceedings are based on paragraph (1) or (2) of subdivision (f) shall continue to qualify as a charter school for funding and for all other purposes of this part, and may continue to hold all existing grants, resources, and facilities, in order to ensure that the education of pupils enrolled in the school is not disrupted.

(m) Immediately following the decision of a county board of education to reverse a decision of a school district to revoke a charter, all of the following shall apply:

(1) The charter school shall qualify as a charter school for funding and for all other purposes of this part.

(2) The charter school may continue to hold all existing grants, resources, and facilities.

(3) Any funding, grants, resources, and facilities that had been withheld from the charter school, or that the charter school had otherwise been deprived of use, as a result of the revocation of the charter, shall be immediately reinstated or returned.

(n) A final decision of a revocation or appeal of a revocation pursuant to subdivision (f) shall be reported to the chartering authority, the county board of education, and the department.

(o) The requirements of this section shall not be waived by the state board pursuant to Section 33050 or any other law.
47607.5. (a) Except for charter schools authorized pursuant to section 47605.6, if either a school district governing board or a county board of education, as a chartering authority, does not grant a renewal to a charter school pursuant to Section 47607 or 47607.2, the charter school may appeal the decision pursuant to the procedures pertaining to a denial of a petition for establishment of a charter school, as provided in subdivision (k) of Section 47605 for review in accordance with Section 47607.
(b) The requirements of this section shall not be waived by the state board pursuant to Section 33050 or any other law.

Conform to Five Year Limit for LCFF Apportionment Funding Adjustments (Amends Education Code Section 47635)

SEC 24. 47635. (a) A sponsoring local educational agency shall annually transfer to each of its charter schools funding in lieu of property taxes equal to the lesser of the following two amounts:
(1) The average amount of property taxes per unit of average daily attendance, including average daily attendance attributable to charter schools, received by the local educational agency, multiplied by the charter school’s average daily attendance.
(2) The local control funding formula grant funding computed pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 42238.02, per unit of average daily attendance, multiplied by the charter school’s average daily attendance in each of the four corresponding grade level ranges: kindergarten and grades 1, 2, and 3; grades 4, 5, and 6; grades 7 and 8; and grades 9 to 12, inclusive.
(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (2), until the Superintendent determines that a charter school is funded pursuant to Section 42238.02, the Superintendent shall apportion funding per unit of average daily attendance pursuant to this article. The base grant for purposes of paragraph (2) shall be the lesser of the amount calculated pursuant to paragraph (2) or the sum of the entitlements for the charter school in the specified fiscal year as computed pursuant to paragraphs (1) to (4), inclusive, of subdivision (a), and paragraph (3) of subdivision (b), of Section 42238.03, multiplied by the ratio of local control funding formula base grant funding computed pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 42238.02 to the local control funding formula amount for the fiscal year computed pursuant to Section 42238.02.
(4) If the sum of the funding transferred pursuant to this subdivision and the funding calculated pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 42238.03 exceeds the sum of the amounts calculated pursuant to subdivisions (e), (f), and (i) of Section 42238.02, the excess funding shall be used to offset funding calculated pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 42238.03.
(b) The sponsoring local educational agency shall transfer funding in lieu of property taxes to the charter school in monthly installments, by no later than the 15th of each month.
(1) For the months of August to February, inclusive, a charter school’s funding in lieu of property taxes shall be computed based on the amount of property taxes received by the sponsoring local educational agency during the preceding fiscal year, as reported to the Superintendent for purposes of the second principal apportionment. A sponsoring local educational agency shall transfer to the charter school the charter school’s estimated annual entitlement to funding in lieu of property taxes as follows:
(A) Six percent in August.
(B) Twelve percent in September.
(C) Eight percent each month in October, November, December, January, and February.
(2) For the months of March to June, inclusive, a charter school’s funding in lieu of property taxes shall be computed based on the amount of property taxes estimated to be received by the sponsoring local educational agency during the fiscal year, as reported to the Superintendent for purposes of the first principal apportionment. A sponsoring local educational agency shall
transfer to each of its charter schools an amount equal to one-sixth of the difference between
the school’s estimated annual entitlement to funding in lieu of property taxes and the amounts
provided pursuant to paragraph (1). An additional one-sixth of this difference shall be included in
the amount transferred in the month of March.
(3) For the month of July, a charter school’s funding in lieu of property taxes shall be computed
based on the amount of property taxes estimated to be received by the sponsoring local
educational agency during the prior fiscal year, as reported to the Superintendent for purposes
of the second principal apportionment. A sponsoring local educational agency shall transfer to
each of its charter schools an amount equal to the remaining difference between the school’s
estimated annual entitlement to funding in lieu of property taxes and the amounts provided
pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (2).
(4) Notwithstanding subdivision (a) of Section 14002, final adjustments to the amount of
funding in lieu of property taxes allocated to a charter school shall be made in June, in
conjunction with the third recertification of annual apportionments to schools.
(5) Subdivision (a) and paragraphs (1) to (4), inclusive, do not apply for pupils who reside in,
and are otherwise eligible to attend a school in, a basic aid school district, but who attend a
charter school in a nonbasic aid school district. With regard to these pupils, the sponsoring
basic aid school district shall transfer to the charter school an amount of funds equivalent to the
local control funding formula grant pursuant to Section 42238.02, as implemented by Section
42238.03, earned through average daily attendance by the charter school for each pupil’s
attendance, not to exceed the average property tax share per unit of average daily attendance
for pupils residing and attending in the basic aid school district. The transfer of funds shall be
made in not fewer than two installments at the request of the charter school, the first occurring
not later than February 1 and the second not later than June 1 of each school year. Payments
shall reflect the average daily attendance certified for the time periods of the first and second
principal apportionments, respectively. The Superintendent may not apportion any funds for the
attendance of pupils described in this subdivision unless the amount transferred by the basic aid
school district is less than the local control funding formula grant pursuant to Section 42238.02,
as implemented by Section 42238.03, earned by the charter school, in which event the
Superintendent shall apportion the difference to the charter school from state funds.

Student Performance and Stakeholder Engagement in the Local Control and
Accountability Plan Template (Amends Education Code Section 52064)

SEC 25. 52064. (a) On or before March 31, 2014, the state board shall adopt a template for a
local control and accountability plan and an annual update to the local control and accountability
plan for the following purposes:
(1) For use by school districts to meet the requirements of Sections 52060 to 52063, inclusive.
(2) For use by county superintendents of schools to meet the requirements of Sections 52066 to
52069, inclusive.
(3) For use by charter schools to meet the requirements of Section 47606.5.
(b) On or before January 31, 2020, the template adopted by the state board shall require the
inclusion of all of the following information:
(1) A description of the annual goals, for all pupils and each subgroup of pupils identified
pursuant to Section 52052, to be achieved for each of the state priorities identified in
subparagraph (A) of paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) of Section 47605, subparagraph (A) of
paragraph (5) of subdivision (b) of Section 47605.6, subdivision (d) of Section 52060, or
subdivision (d) of Section 52066, as applicable, and for any additional local priorities identified
by the governing board of the school district, the county board of education, or in the charter
school petition. For purposes of this article, a subgroup of pupils identified pursuant to Section
52052 shall be a numerically significant pupil subgroup as specified in subdivision (a) of Section 52052.

(2) A description of the specific actions the school district, county office of education, or charter school will take during each year of the local control and accountability plan to achieve the goals identified in paragraph (1). The specific actions shall not supersede the provisions of existing local collective bargaining agreements, if any, within the jurisdiction of the school district, county office of education, or charter school.

(3) One or more summary tables listing and describing the budgeted expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year implementing each specific action included in the local control and accountability plan, including expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year that will serve unduplicated pupils, as defined in Section 42238.02, and pupils redesignated as fluent English proficient. The summary table or tables shall include both of the following:
   (A) The total overall expenditures for all specific actions included in the local control and accountability plan, broken down by personnel and nonpersonnel expenditures.
   (B) The subtotals of expenditures for each specific action included in the local control and accountability plan broken down into the following categories:
      (i) Funds apportioned under the local control funding formula pursuant to Section 42238.02.
      (ii) All other state funds.
      (iii) All local funds.
      (iv) All federal funds.

(4) One or more summary tables listing and describing the specific actions and budgeted expenditures in paragraph (3) that contribute to the demonstration that the school district, county office of education, or charter school will increase or improve services for unduplicated pupils in proportion to the increase in funds apportioned on the basis of the number and concentration of unduplicated pupils, consistent with regulations adopted by the state board pursuant to Section 42238.07, grouped as follows:
   (A) Specific actions and budgeted expenditures provided to all pupils on a districtwide, countywide, or charterwide basis.
   (B) Specific actions and budgeted expenditures that are targeted only to one or more unduplicated pupil subgroups. For these specific actions, the description shall specify the unduplicated pupil subgroup or subgroups that are targeted by each specific action and, if not provided at all schools, the school or schools where the specific action is provided.
   (C) Only for school districts and county offices of education that operate more than one schoolsite, specific actions and budgeted expenditures provided to all pupils on a schoolwide basis, but only at schools serving certain grade spans or only at one or more schools. For these specific actions, the description shall specify the school or schools at which the specific action is provided.

(5) An estimate of the funds to be apportioned in the ensuing fiscal year on the basis of the number and concentration of unduplicated pupils and calculation of the percent the school district, county office of education, or charter school will increase or improve services for unduplicated pupils in proportion to the increase in funds apportioned on the basis of the number and concentration of unduplicated pupils, consistent with regulations adopted by the state board pursuant to Section 42238.07.

(6) A demonstration that the school district, county office of education, or charter school will increase or improve services for unduplicated pupils in the ensuing fiscal year in proportion to the increase in funds apportioned on the basis of the number and concentration of unduplicated pupils, consistent with regulations adopted by the state board pursuant to Section 42238.07.

(7) A review of the progress toward the goals included in the existing local control and accountability plan, a review of any changes in the applicability of the goals, an assessment of the effectiveness of the specific actions described in the existing local control and accountability plan toward achieving the goals, a description of changes to the specific actions and related
expenditures the school district, county office of education, or charter school will make as a
result of the review and assessment, and an update on progress implementing the specific
actions in the current fiscal year, including estimated actual expenditures for the specific
actions.
(8) A plan summary that includes general information about the school district, county office of
education, or charter school and highlights of the local control and accountability plan and
annual update to the local control and accountability plan, including reflections on annual
performance on the California School Dashboard authorized in Section 52064.5 and other local
data.
(9) A summary of the stakeholder engagement process and how stakeholder engagement
influenced the development of the adopted local control and accountability plan and annual
update to the local control and accountability plan.
(c) If possible, the templates identified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) for use by county
superintendents of schools shall allow a county superintendent of schools to develop a single
local control and accountability plan that would also satisfy the requirements of Section 48926.
(d) (1) The template for the local control and accountability plan and annual update to the local
control and accountability plan shall, to the greatest extent practicable, use language that is
understandable and accessible to parents. The state board shall include instructions for school
districts, county offices of education, and charter schools to complete the local control and
accountability plan and annual update to the local control and accountability plan consistent with
the requirements of this section. The state board may include more technical language in the
instructions.
(2) Except as provided in paragraph (3), the state board shall not require school districts, county
offices of education, or charter schools to provide any information in addition to the information
required pursuant to subdivision (b).
(3) The state board may require the inclusion of additional information in the template in order to
meet requirements of federal law.
(e) (1) The process of developing and annually updating the local control and accountability plan
should support school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools in
comprehensive strategic planning, accountability, and improvement across the state priorities
and any locally identified priorities through meaningful engagement with local stakeholders.
(2) In developing the template for the local control and accountability plan and annual update to
the local control and accountability plan, the state board shall ensure that school districts,
county offices of education, and charter schools track and report their progress annually on all
state priorities, including the applicable metrics specified within each state priority and, for
charter schools, in accordance with Section 47606.5.
(3) The instructions developed by the state board pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d)
shall specify that school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools should
prioritize the focus of the goals, specific actions, and related expenditures included within the
local control and accountability plan and annual update to the local control and accountability
plan within one or more state priorities. The instructions shall further specify that school districts,
county offices of education, and charter schools should consider their performance on the state
and local indicators, including their locally collected and reported data for the local indicators,
that are included in the California School Dashboard authorized in Section 52064.5 in
determining whether and how to prioritize the goals, specific actions, and related expenditures
included within the local control and accountability plan and annual update to the local control
and accountability plan.
(4) The instructions developed by the state board pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d)
shall specify that school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools that have a
numerically significant English learner pupil subgroup shall include specific actions in the local
control and accountability plan related to, at a minimum, the language acquisition programs, as
defined in Section 306, provided to pupils and professional development activities specific to English learners.

(5) No later than January 31, 2021, the instructions developed by the state board pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) shall specify that school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools that meet the criteria to receive technical assistance pursuant to Sections 52071, 52071.5, 47607, or 47607.2, as applicable, based on the performance of the same student subgroup or subgroups for three or more consecutive years must include a goal in the local control and accountability plan focused on improving the performance of the student subgroup or subgroups.

(6) (A) No later than January 31, 2021, the instructions developed by the state board pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) shall specify that, for any school district or county office of education with a school that meets the criteria described in subparagraph (B), the school district or county office of education must include a goal in the local control and accountability plan focused on addressing the disparities in performance at the school or schools compared to the school district or county office of education as a whole.

(B) The requirement described in subparagraph (B) shall apply for any local educational agency with two or more schools if, for two consecutive years, a school receives the two lowest performance levels on all but one of the state indicators for which the school receives performance levels on the California School Dashboard pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 52064.5 and the performance of the local educational agency for all students is at least one performance level higher on all of those indicators.

(f) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (g), the state board shall adopt the template pursuant to the requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code). The state board may adopt emergency regulations for purposes of implementing this section. The adoption of emergency regulations shall be deemed an emergency and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, or general welfare.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the state board may adopt or revise the template in accordance with the requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code). When adopting the template pursuant to the requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, the state board shall present the template at a regular meeting and may only take action to adopt the template at a subsequent regular meeting. This paragraph shall become inoperative on January 31, 2019.

(g) Notwithstanding subdivision (f), revisions of the template for the local control and accountability plan and annual update to the local control and accountability plan necessary to implement Assembly Bill 1808 and Assembly Bill 1840 of the 2017–18 Regular Session shall not be subject to the requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code). The state board may make necessary revisions to the template in accordance with the requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code).

(h) Notwithstanding subdivision (f), revisions of the template for the local control and accountability plan and annual update to the local control and accountability plan necessary to implement legislation passed during the 2019–20 Regular Session shall not be subject to the requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code). The state board may make necessary revisions to the template in accordance with the requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code).
Revisions to a template shall be approved by the state board by January 31 before the fiscal year during which the template is to be used by a school district, county superintendent of schools, or charter school.

In developing the template, the state board shall take steps to minimize duplication of effort at the local level to the greatest extent possible. The adoption of a template or evaluation rubric by the state board shall not create a requirement for a governing board of a school district, a county board of education, or a governing body of a charter school to submit a local control and accountability plan to the state board, unless otherwise required by federal law. The Superintendent shall not require a local control and accountability plan to be submitted by a governing board of a school district or the governing body of a charter school to the state board. The state board may adopt a template or evaluation rubric that would authorize a school district or a charter school to submit to the state board only the sections of the local control and accountability plan required by federal law.

Notwithstanding any other law, the templates developed by the state board pursuant to this section, as it read on June 30, 2018, shall continue in effect until the state board adopts a new template pursuant to subdivision (b) on or before January 31, 2020, except that the state board may adopt revisions to those templates pursuant to subdivision (g) that are necessary to implement Assembly Bill 1808 of the 2017–18 Regular Session or meet federal requirements.

California Collaborative for Educational Excellence Technical Clean-Up (Amends Education Code Section 52074)

SEC 26. 52074. (a) The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence is hereby established.
(b) The purpose of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence is to advise and assist school districts, county superintendents of schools, and charter schools in achieving the goals set forth in a local control and accountability plan adopted pursuant to this article. The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall achieve this purpose by facilitating continuous improvement for local educational agencies within California’s system of public school support.
(c) The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall be governed by a board consisting of the following five members:
(1) The Superintendent or his or her designee.
(2) The president of the state board or his or her designee.
(3) A county superintendent of schools appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules.
(4) A teacher appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.
(5) A superintendent of a school district appointed by the Governor.
(d) The governing board of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall select, and direct the administrative agent provided for in subdivision (e) to hire, the executive director of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence and provide policy and program direction.
(e) The department, in consultation with the executive director of the state board and with the approval of the Department of Finance, shall contract with a local educational agency, or consortium of local educational agencies, to serve as the administrative agent for the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence. The administrative agent shall operate all aspects of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence in accordance with the terms of its contract or contracts with the State of California, applicable statutes, and the policy and program direction of the governing board of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence. The Superintendent shall apportion funds appropriated for the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence to the administrative agent.
Pursuant to the policy and program direction of the governing board of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, the administrative agent shall contract with individuals, local educational agencies, or organizations with the expertise, experience, and a record of success to carry out the purposes of this article. The areas of expertise, experience, and record of success shall include, but are not limited to, all of the following:

1. State priorities as described in subdivision (d) of Section 52060, including the state and local indicators developed for the California School Dashboard pursuant to Section 52064.5.
2. Improving the quality of teaching.
3. Improving the quality of school district and schoolsite leadership.
4. Successfully addressing the needs of special pupil populations, including, but not limited to, English learners, pupils eligible to receive a free or reduced-price meal, pupils in foster care, and individuals with exceptional needs.

The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence may accept a request or referral to advise and assist a school district, county superintendent of schools, or charter school pursuant to paragraph (2) or in either of the following circumstances:

A. If the county superintendent of schools of the county in which the school district or charter school is located determines, following the provision of technical assistance pursuant to Section 52071 or 47607.3, as applicable, and the geographic lead agency of that county identified pursuant to Section 52073 agrees, that the advice and assistance of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence is necessary to help the school district or charter school accomplish the goals described in the local control and accountability plan adopted pursuant to this article.
B. If the Superintendent determines that the advice and assistance of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence is necessary to help the school district, county superintendent of schools, or charter school accomplish the goals set forth in the local control and accountability plan adopted pursuant to this article.

If a school district receives an emergency apportionment pursuant to Article 2 (commencing with Section 41320) of Chapter 3 of Part 24 of Division 3, the school district shall be deemed to have been referred to the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence.

If the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence provides assistance to a school district referred pursuant to this paragraph, the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall conduct a systemic review of the school district to identify needs and strategies to improve pupil academic achievement, including, but not limited to, needs identified pursuant to Sections 52052, 52064.5, and 52071. Based on the results of the systemic review, the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall coordinate and facilitate the assistance provided to the school district by governmental agencies to provide coherent and effective support consistent with the purpose of the statewide system of support specified in Section 52059.5. The governmental agencies may include, among others, the department, the local county superintendent, the applicable geographic lead agency, and the County Office Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team. It is the intent of the Legislature that no single governmental agency providing assistance in partnership with other governmental agencies bear the full cost of assistance.

Outside of the processes described in paragraphs (1) and (2), a school district, county office of education, or charter school that requests the advice and assistance of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall reimburse the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence for the cost of those services pursuant to authority provided in the annual Budget Act.

To the extent authority is provided in the annual Budget Act, a school district at risk of qualifying for state intervention pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 52072 shall have priority for direct technical assistance from the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence.

In addition to the functions described in subdivision (g), the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall do both of the following:
(1) Facilitate professional development activities that increase the capacity of local educational agencies to improve pupil outcomes in alignment with state priorities pursuant to Section 52060 and to improve performance on the state and local indicators developed for the California School Dashboard pursuant to Section 52064.5. The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall provide professional development in partnership with state professional associations, nonprofit organizations, and public agencies. The governing board of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall determine the extent of the training that is necessary to comply with this paragraph.

(2) Produce a professional development training calendar, to be posted on the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence’s Internet Web site, that publicizes all of the professional development activities offered pursuant to paragraph (1) at the local, regional, and state levels.

(j) The individuals with whom the administrative agent enters into employment contracts to carry out the purposes of this article shall be deemed employees of the administrative agent and eligible for participation in either the State Teachers’ Retirement System or the Public Employees’ Retirement System, as appropriate to the nature of the work to be performed by the employees.

(k) Receipt of any revenues not appropriated by the Legislature to the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall be subject to approval by the governing board of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence. The governing board of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall ensure that all activities, regardless of fund source, are aligned with the purpose of the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, as described in subdivision (b).

Physical Performance Test Suspension and Reporting Requirement (Adds Education Code Section 60800.1)

SEC 27. 60800.1. (a) Notwithstanding section 60800 of the Education Code, the administration of the physical performance test shall be suspended for the 2020-21 through the 2022-23 school years. During the period of suspension, the department shall consult with experts and other stakeholders, including but not limited to, individuals with expertise in fitness, adaptive physical education, gender identity, and students with disabilities, in order to provide recommendations regarding the purpose and administration of the physical performance test. The department may contract with a research entity to conduct a study regarding the physical performance testing of students.

(b) On or before November 1, 2022, the Superintendent shall submit a report regarding its recommendations to the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the Legislature, the Department of Finance, and the State Board of Education.

Definition for Non-Represented Employees (Amends Government Code Section 3540.1)

SEC 28. 3540.1. As used in this chapter:
(a) “Board” means the Public Employment Relations Board created pursuant to Section 3541.
(b) “Certified organization” or “certified employee organization” means an organization that has been certified by the board as the exclusive representative of the public school employees in an appropriate unit after a proceeding under Article 5 (commencing with Section 3544).
(c) “Confidential employee” means an employee who is required to develop or present management positions with respect to employer-employee relations or whose duties normally require access to confidential information that is used to contribute significantly to the development of management positions.
(d) “Employee organization” means an organization that includes employees of a public school employer and that has as one of its primary purposes representing those employees in their relations with that public school employer. “Employee organization” shall also include any person of the organization authorized to act on its behalf.

(e) “Exclusive representative” means the employee organization recognized or certified as the exclusive negotiating representative of public school employees, as “public school employee” is defined in subdivision (j), in an appropriate unit of a public school employer.

(f) “Impasse” means that the parties to a dispute over matters within the scope of representation have reached a point in meeting and negotiating at which their differences in positions are so substantial or prolonged that future meetings would be futile.

(g) “Management employee” means an employee in a position having significant responsibilities for formulating district policies or administering district programs. Management positions shall be designated by the public school employer subject to review by the Public Employment Relations Board.

(h) “Meeting and negotiating” means meeting, conferring, negotiating, and discussing by the exclusive representative and the public school employer in a good faith effort to reach agreement on matters within the scope of representation and the execution, if requested by either party, of a written document incorporating any agreements reached, which document shall, when accepted by the exclusive representative and the public school employer, become binding upon both parties and, notwithstanding Section 3543.7, is not subject to subdivision 2 of Section 1667 of the Civil Code. The agreement may be for a period of not to exceed three years.

(i) “Organizational security” is within the scope of representation, and means either of the following:

(1) An arrangement pursuant to which a public school employee may decide whether or not to join an employee organization, but which requires him or her, as a condition of continued employment, if he or she does join, to maintain his or her membership in good standing for the duration of the written agreement. However, an arrangement shall not deprive the employee of the right to terminate his or her obligation to the employee organization within a period of 30 days following the expiration of a written agreement.

(2) An arrangement that requires an employee, as a condition of continued employment, either to join the recognized or certified employee organization, or to pay the organization a service fee in an amount not to exceed the standard initiation fee, periodic dues, and general assessments of the organization for the duration of the agreement, or a period of three years from the effective date of the agreement, whichever comes first.

(j) “Public school employee” or “employee” means a person employed by a public school employer except persons elected by popular vote, persons appointed by the Governor of this state, management employees, and confidential employees.

(k) “Public school employer” or “employer” means the governing board of a school district, a school district, a county board of education, a county superintendent of schools, a charter school that has declared itself a public school employer pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 47611.5 of the Education Code, an auxiliary organization established pursuant to Article 6 (commencing with Section 72670) of Chapter 6 of Part 45 of Division 7 of Title 3 of the Education Code, except an auxiliary organization solely formed as or operating a student body association or student union, or a joint powers agency, except a joint powers agency established solely to provide services pursuant to Section 990.8, if all the following apply to the joint powers agency:

(1) It is created as an agency or entity that is separate from the parties to the joint powers agreement pursuant to Section 6503.5.

(2) It has its own employees separate from employees of the parties to the joint powers agreement.
(3) Any of the following are true:
(A) It provides educational services primarily performed by a school district, county board of education, or county superintendent of schools.
(B) A school district, county board of education, or county superintendent of schools is designated in the joint powers agreement pursuant to Section 6509.
(C) It is comprised solely of educational agencies.
(l) “Recognized organization” or “recognized employee organization” means an employee organization that has been recognized by an employer as the exclusive representative pursuant to Article 5 (commencing with Section 3544).
(m) “Supervisory employee” means an employee, regardless of job description, having authority in the interest of the employer to hire, transfer, suspend, lay off, recall, promote, discharge, assign, reward, or discipline other employees, or the responsibility to assign work to and direct them, or to adjust their grievances, or effectively recommend that action, if, in connection with the foregoing functions, the exercise of that authority is not of a merely routine or clerical nature, but requires the use of independent judgment.
(n) “Non-represented employees” means confidential employees, management employees, supervisory employees and any other employees of a public school employer who are not otherwise represented by a certified organization or recognized organization.

Public Comment on Collective Bargaining Agreements (Amends Government Code Section 3540.2)

SEC 29. 3540.2. (a) A school district that has a qualified or negative certification pursuant to Section 42131 of the Education Code All school district employers shall allow the county office of education in which the school district is located at least 10 working days to review and comment on any proposed agreement made between the exclusive representative and the public school employer, or designated representatives of the employer, pursuant to this chapter. The school district shall provide the county superintendent of schools with all information relevant to yield an understanding of the financial impact of that agreement.
(b) The Superintendent shall develop a format for use by the appropriate parties in generating the financial information required pursuant to subdivision (a).
(c) The county superintendent of schools shall notify the school district, the county board of education, the district superintendent, the governing board of the school district, and each parent and teacher organization respective employee organization that is the subject of the agreement of the district within those 10 days if, in his or her opinion, the agreement reviewed pursuant to subdivision (a) would endanger the fiscal well-being of the school district.
(d) A school district shall provide the county superintendent of schools, upon request, with all information relevant to provide an understanding of the financial impact of any final collective bargaining agreement reached pursuant to Section 3543.2.
(e) A county office of education, or a school district for which the county board of education serves as the governing board, that has a qualified or negative certification pursuant to Section 1240 of the Education Code shall allow the Superintendent at least 10 working days to review and comment on any proposed agreement or contract made between the exclusive representative and the public school employer, or designated representatives of the employer, pursuant to this chapter. The county superintendent of schools shall provide the Superintendent with all information relevant to yield an understanding of the financial impact of that agreement or contract. The Superintendent shall notify the county superintendent of schools, and the county board of education, and each respective employee organization that is the subject of the agreement within those 10 days if, in his or her opinion, the proposed agreement or contract would endanger the fiscal well-being of the county office, or a school district for which the county board of education serves as the governing board.
Public Comment on Collective Bargaining Agreements for Non-Represented Employees
(Adds Government Code Section 3540.3)

SEC 30. 3540.3. Each and every provision of Section 3540.2 shall apply for proposed agreements made between non-represented employees and the public school employer, or designated representatives of the employer, pursuant to this article.

Disclosure of Costs for School Districts Experiencing Fiscal Distress (Amends Government Code Section 3547.5)

SEC 31. 3547.5. (a) Before a public school employer enters into a written agreement with an exclusive representative covering matters within the scope of representation, the major provisions of the agreement, including, but not limited to, the costs that would be incurred by the public school employer under the term of the agreement for the current and subsequent fiscal years, shall be disclosed at a public meeting of the public school employer in a format established for this purpose by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
(b) The superintendent of the school district and chief business official shall certify in writing and under penalty of perjury that the costs incurred by the school district under the agreement can be met by the district during the term of the agreement. This certification shall be prepared in a format similar to that of the reports required pursuant to Sections 42130 and 42131 of the Education Code and shall itemize any budget revision necessary to meet the costs of the agreement in each year of its term.
(c) If a school district does not adopt all of the revisions to its budget needed in the current fiscal year to meet the costs of a collective bargaining agreement, the county superintendent of schools shall issue an amended or negative certification for notice of going concern determination to the district on the next interim report pursuant to Section 42131 of the Education Code.

Public Disclosure of Costs for Collective Bargaining Agreements (Adds Government Code Section 3547.6)

SEC 32. 3547.6. (a) Before a public school employer enters into a written agreement with a non-represented employee or group of non-represented employees, as defined in this chapter, the major provisions of the agreement, including, but not limited to, the costs that would be incurred by the public school employer under the term of the agreement for the current and subsequent fiscal years, shall be disclosed at a public meeting of the public school employer in a format established for this purpose by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
(b) The superintendent of the school district and chief business official shall certify in writing, and under penalty of perjury, that the costs incurred by the school district under the agreement can be met by the district during the term of the agreement. This certification shall be prepared in a format similar to that of the reports required pursuant to Sections 42130 and 42131 of the Education Code and shall itemize any budget revision necessary to meet the costs of the agreement in each year of its term.
(c) If a school district does not adopt all of the revisions to its budget needed in the current fiscal year to meet the costs of the written agreement with a non-represented employee or group of non-represented employees, the county superintendent of schools shall issue a notice of going concern determination to the district pursuant to Section 42127.6 of the Education Code.
Remove Accountability Performance Index from the Mandate Block Grant (Amends Government Code Section 17581.6)

SEC 33. 17581.6. (a) Funding apportioned pursuant to this section shall constitute reimbursement pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution for the performance of any state mandates included in the statutes and executive orders identified in subdivision (f).
(b) Any school district, county office of education, or charter school may elect to receive block grant funding pursuant to this section.
(c) (1) A school district, county office of education, or charter school that elects to receive block grant funding pursuant to this section in a given fiscal year shall submit a letter requesting funding to the Superintendent of Public Instruction on or before August 30 of that fiscal year. (2) The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall, in the month of November of each year, apportion block grant funding appropriated pursuant to Item 6100-296-0001 of Section 2.00 of the annual Budget Act to all school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools that submitted letters requesting funding in that fiscal year according to the provisions of that item.
(d) Commencing with the 2017–18 fiscal year, the per unit average daily attendance funding rates specified in the provisions of Item 6100-296-0001 of the annual Budget Act shall be adjusted annually by the percentage change in the annual average value of the Implicit Price Deflator for State and Local Government Purchases of Goods and Services for the United States, as published by the United States Department of Commerce for the 12-month period ending in the third quarter of the prior fiscal year. This percentage change shall be determined using the latest data available as of May 10 of the preceding fiscal year compared with the annual average value of the same deflator for the 12-month period ending in the third quarter of the second preceding fiscal year, using the latest data available as of May 10 of the preceding fiscal year, as reported by the Department of Finance.
(e) Block grant funding apportioned pursuant to this section is subject to annual financial and compliance audits required by Section 41020 of the Education Code.
(f) Block grant funding apportioned pursuant to this section is specifically intended to fund the costs of the following programs and activities:
   (1) Academic Performance Index (01-TC-22; Chapter 3 of the Statutes of 1999, First Extraordinary Session; and Chapter 695 of the Statutes of 2000).
   (4)(3) Cal Grant: Opt-Out Notice and Grade Point Average Submission (16-TC-02; Chapter 679 of the Statutes of 2014 and Chapter 82 of the Statutes of 2016).
   (5)(4) California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) (14-TC-01 and 14-TC-04; Chapter 489 of the Statutes of 2013; and Chapter 32 of the Statutes of 2014).
   (6)(5) California State Teachers’ Retirement System (CalSTRS) Service Credit (02-TC-19; Chapter 603 of the Statutes of 1994; Chapters 383, 634, and 680 of the Statutes of 1996; Chapter 838 of the Statutes of 1997; Chapter 965 of the Statutes of 1998; Chapter 939 of the Statutes of 1999; and Chapter 1021 of the Statutes of 2000).
   (7)(6) Caregiver Affidavits (CSM 4497; Chapter 98 of the Statutes of 1994).
(9)(8) Charter Schools IV (03-TC-03; Chapter 1058 of the Statutes of 2002).
(10)(9) Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting (01-TC-21; Chapters 640 and 1459 of the Statutes of 1987; Chapter 132 of the Statutes of 1991; Chapter 459 of the Statutes of 1992; Chapter 311 of the Statutes of 1998; Chapter 916 of the Statutes of 2000; and Chapters 133 and 754 of the Statutes of 2001).
(13)(12) Consolidation of Annual Parent Notification/Schoolsite Discipline Rules/Alternative Schools (CSM 4488, CSM 4461, 99-TC-09, 00-TC-12, 97-TC-24, CSM 4453, CSM 4474, CSM 4462; Chapter 448 of the Statutes of 1975; Chapter 965 of the Statutes of 1977; Chapter 975 of the Statutes of 1980; Chapter 469 of the Statutes of 1981; Chapter 459 of the Statutes of 1985; Chapters 87 and 97 of the Statutes of 1986; Chapter 1452 of the Statutes of 1987; Chapters 65 and 1284 of the Statutes of 1988; Chapter 213 of the Statutes of 1989; Chapters 10 and 403 of the Statutes of 1990; Chapter 906 of the Statutes of 1992; Chapter 1296 of the Statutes of 1993; Chapter 929 of the Statutes of 1997; Chapters 846 and 1031 of the Statutes of 1998; Chapter 1 of the Statutes of 1999, First Extraordinary Session; Chapter 73 of the Statutes of 2000; Chapter 650 of the Statutes of 2003; Chapter 895 of the Statutes of 2004; and Chapter 677 of the Statutes of 2005).
(14)(13) Consolidation of Law Enforcement Agency Notification and Missing Children Reports (CSM 4505; Chapter 1117 of the Statutes of 1989 and 01-TC-09; Chapter 249 of the Statutes of 1986; and Chapter 832 of the Statutes of 1999).
(15)(14) Consolidation of Notification to Teachers: Pupils Subject to Suspension or Expulsion I and II, and Pupil Discipline Records (00-TC-10 and 00-TC-11; Chapter 345 of the Statutes of 2000).
(17)(16) County Office of Education Fiscal Accountability Reporting (97-TC-20; Chapters 917 and 1452 of the Statutes of 1987; Chapters 1461 and 1462 of the Statutes of 1988; Chapter 1372 of the Statutes of 1990; Chapter 1213 of the Statutes of 1991; Chapter 323 of the Statutes of 1992; Chapters 923 and 924 of the Statutes of 1993; Chapters 650 and 1002 of the Statutes of 1994; and Chapter 525 of the Statutes of 1995).
(18)(17) Criminal Background Checks (97-TC-16; Chapters 588 and 589 of the Statutes of 1997).
(19)(18) Criminal Background Checks II (00-TC-05; Chapters 594 and 840 of the Statutes of 1998; and Chapter 78 of the Statutes of 1999).

(20)(19) Development Fees (02-TC-42; Chapter 955 of the Statutes of 1977; Chapter 282 of the Statutes of 1979; Chapter 1354 of the Statutes of 1980; Chapter 201 of the Statutes of 1981; Chapter 923 of the Statutes of 1982; Chapter 1254 of the Statutes of 1983; Chapter 1062 of the Statutes of 1984; Chapter 1498 of the Statutes of 1985; Chapters 136 and 887 of the Statutes of 1986; and Chapter 1228 of the Statutes of 1994).


(22)(21) Expulsion of Pupil: Transcript Cost for Appeals (SMAS; Chapter 1253 of the Statutes of 1975).

(23)(22) Financial and Compliance Audits (CSM 4498 and CSM 4498-A; Chapter 36 of the Statutes of 1977).

(24)(23) Graduation Requirements (CSM 4181; Chapter 498 of the Statutes of 1983).


(26)(25) Immunization Records (SB 90-120; Chapter 1176 of the Statutes of 1977).


(28)(27) Immunization Records—Pertussis (11-TC-02; Chapter 434 of the Statutes of 2010).

(29)(28) Interdistrict Attendance (CSM 4442; Chapters 172 and 742 of the Statutes of 1986; Chapter 853 of the Statutes of 1989; Chapter 10 of the Statutes of 1990; and Chapter 120 of the Statutes of 1992).

(30)(29) Intradistrict Attendance (CSM 4454; Chapters 161 and 915 of the Statutes of 1993).

(31)(30) Juvenile Court Notices II (CSM 4475; Chapters 1011 and 1423 of the Statutes of 1984; Chapter 1019 of the Statutes of 1994; and Chapter 71 of the Statutes of 1995).


(33)(32) Parental Involvement Programs (03-TC-16; Chapter 1400 of the Statutes of 1990; Chapters 864 and 1031 of the Statutes of 1998; and Chapter 1037 of the Statutes of 2002).

(34)(33) Physical Performance Tests (96-365-01; Chapter 975 of the Statutes of 1995).

(35)(34) Prevailing Wage Rate (01-TC-28; Chapter 1249 of the Statutes of 1978).


(37)(36) Pupil Health Screenings (CSM 4440; Chapter 1208 of the Statutes of 1976; Chapter 373 of the Statutes of 1991; and Chapter 750 of the Statutes of 1992).

(38)(37) Pupil Promotion and Retention (98-TC-19; Chapter 100 of the Statutes of 1981; Chapter 1358 of the Statutes of 1982; Chapter 498 of the Statutes of 1983; Chapter 1263 of the Statutes of 1990; and Chapters 742 and 743 of the Statutes of 1998).


(40)(39) Race to the Top (10-TC-06; Chapters 2 and 3 of the Statutes of 2009).

(41)(40) School Accountability Report Cards (97-TC-21, 00-TC-09, 00-TC-13, and 02-TC-32; Chapter 918 of the Statutes of 1997; Chapter 912 of the Statutes of 1997; Chapter 824 of the

(42)(41) School District Fiscal Accountability Reporting (97-TC-19; Chapter 100 of the Statutes of 1981; Chapter 185 of the Statutes of 1985; Chapter 1150 of the Statutes of 1986; Chapters 917 and 1452 of the Statutes of 1987; Chapters 1461 and 1462 of the Statutes of 1988; Chapter 525 of the Statutes of 1990; Chapter 1213 of the Statutes of 1991; Chapter 323 of the Statutes of 1992; Chapters 923 and 924 of the Statutes of 1993; Chapters 650 and 1002 of the Statutes of 1994; and Chapter 525 of the Statutes of 1995).


(44)(43) Student Records (02-TC-34; Chapter 593 of the Statutes of 1989; Chapter 561 of the Statutes of 1993; Chapter 311 of the Statutes of 1998; and Chapter 67 of the Statutes of 2000).

(45)(44) The Stull Act (98-TC-25; Chapter 498 of the Statutes of 1983; and Chapter 4 of the Statutes of 1999).

(46)(45) Threats Against Peace Officers (CSM 96-365-02; Chapter 1249 of the Statutes of 1992; and Chapter 666 of the Statutes of 1995).

(47)(46) Training for School Employee Mandated Reporters (14-TC-02; Chapter 797 of the Statutes of 2014).

(48)(47) Uniform Complaint Procedures (03-TC-02; Chapter 1117 of the Statutes of 1982; Chapter 1514 of the Statutes of 1988; and Chapter 914 of the Statutes of 1998).

(49)(48) Williams Case Implementation I, II, and III (05-TC-04, 07-TC-06, and 08-TC-01; Chapters 900, 902, and 903 of the Statutes of 2004; Chapter 118 of the Statutes of 2005; Chapter 704 of the Statutes of 2006; and Chapter 526 of the Statutes of 2007).

(g) Notwithstanding Section 10231.5, on or before November 1 of each fiscal year, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall produce a report that indicates the total amount of block grant funding each school district, county office of education, and charter school received in that fiscal year pursuant to this section. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall provide this report to the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the Legislature, the Controller, the Department of Finance, and the Legislative Analyst’s Office.

Workgroup for Development of School Climate Measures (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 34. (a) For the 2020–21 fiscal year, the sum of one-hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($150,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Education for both of the following purposes:

(1) To support identifying standardized items for local educational agencies to use as part of the school climate survey for students pursuant to Sections 52060, 52066, 47605, and 47605.1 of the Education Code and to be reported through the California School Dashboard pursuant to Section 52064.5 of the Education Code.

(2) To support evaluating the feasibility of developing standardized items for surveys of parents, teachers, and other school staff required pursuant to Sections 52060, 52066, 47605, and 47605.1 of the Education Code and assessing how such standardized survey items and other data could support strengthening the local indicators included in the California School Dashboard pursuant to Section 52064.5 of the Education Code.

(b) For the purposes specified in subdivision (a), the State Department of Education, in collaboration with, and subject to the approval of, the executive director of the State Board of Education, shall enter into contracts with a local educational agency, which may include authorization to enter into subcontracts for the provision of support and services, as necessary.

(c) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of
Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Special Education Redevelopment Agency Property Tax Backfill (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 35. (a) On or before June 30, 2021, an amount to be determined by the Director of Finance shall be appropriated from the General Fund to the Superintendent of Public Instruction in augmentation of Schedule (1) of Item 6100-161-0001 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2020. (b) The funds appropriated in subdivision (a) shall only be available to the extent that revenues distributed to local educational agencies for special education programs pursuant to Sections 34177, 34179.5, 34179.6, and 34188 of the Health and Safety Code are less than the estimated amount reflected in the Budget Act of 2020, as determined by the Director of Finance. (c) On or before June 30, 2021, the Director of Finance shall determine if the revenues distributed to local educational agencies for special education programs pursuant to Sections 34177, 34179.5, 34179.6, and 34188 of the Health and Safety Code exceed the estimated amount reflected in the Budget Act of 2020 and shall reduce Schedule (1) of Item 6100-161-0001 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2020 by the amount of that excess. (d) In making the determinations pursuant to subdivisions (b) and (c), the Director of Finance shall consider any other local property tax revenues collected in excess or in deficit of the estimated amounts reflected in the Budget Act of 2020. (e) The Director of Finance shall notify the Chairperson of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, or the chairperson’s designee, of the Director of Finance’s intent to notify the Controller of the necessity to release funds appropriated in subdivision (a) or to make the reduction pursuant to subdivision (c), and the amount needed to address the property tax shortfall determined pursuant to subdivision (b) or the amount of the reduction made pursuant to subdivision (c). The Controller shall make the funds available pursuant to subdivision (a) not sooner than five days after this notification and the State Department of Education shall work with the Controller to allocate these funds to local educational agencies as soon as practicable. (f) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriations made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Child Nutrition Program Reporting Requirement (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 36. (a) Of the funds appropriated in Item 6100-203-0001 of the 2020 Budget Act, sixty million dollars ($60,000,000) is provided on an ongoing basis to improve the quality of subsidized school meals and encourage participation in federal and state subsidized school meal programs. (b) As a condition of receiving funding pursuant to subdivision (a), each participating local educational agency shall report to the Department of Education by June 30, 2021 how it used the funding to improve the quality of subsidized school meals or increase participation in subsidized school meal programs. Potential uses include, but are not limited to: implementing a subsidized school meal program; adopting a universal meal provision; serving additional fresh fruits and vegetables, including California-grown food; expanding meal options or meal...
opportunities such as breakfast after the bell programs; serving alternative meal options such as plant-based food products; or implementing operational improvements to facilitate more efficient delivery of meals or improved meal quality.

(c) As a condition of receiving funding pursuant to subdivision (a), each participating local educational agency shall certify that it will continue to use the funding in a manner that is consistent with this section.

(d) The Department of Education shall develop a form that shall be used by local educational agencies to comply with subdivisions (b) and (c).

(e) The Department of Education shall not recoup reimbursement funds for the 2020-21 fiscal year from local educational agencies that do not comply with subdivisions (b) and (c). However, local educational agencies that do not comply with subdivisions (b) and (c) shall not be eligible to receive funding pursuant to subdivision (a) in fiscal year 2021-22 and thereafter.

**Classified Food Service Employee Training (Adds Uncodified Section)**

SEC 37. (a) For the 2020–21 fiscal year, the sum of ten million dollars ($10,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Education to apportion funds to local educational agencies based on the number of classified school employees employed by the local educational agency in the immediately preceding fiscal year.

(b) A local educational agency shall expend funds received pursuant to this section for food service staff to receive training on promoting nutritious food, which may include training on food preparation, healthy food marketing, and changing the school lunchroom environment.

(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), each local educational agency shall receive a minimum allocation of one thousand dollars ($1,000).

(d) For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(1) “Classified school employee” means a person employed on a full-time or part-time basis as a classified school employee by a local educational agency.

(2) “Local educational agency” means a school district, county office of education, or charter school.

(e) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2018–19 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2018–19 fiscal year.

**Computer Science Supplementary Authorization Incentive Grant (Adds Uncodified Section)**

SEC 38. (a) For the 2020-21 fiscal year, the sum of fifteen million ($15,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for the Computer Science Supplementary Authorization Incentive Grant. This funding shall be available until June 30, 2025.

(b) The Computer Science Supplementary Authorization Incentive Grant is hereby established for the purpose of one-time grants to local educational agencies to support the preparation of credentialed teachers to earn a supplementary authorization in computer science and provide instruction in computer science coursework in settings authorized by the underlying credential.

(c) The commission shall approve applications submitted by local educational agencies that meet the criteria established by the commission, pursuant to this section. To the extent that
funds are available, the commission shall allocate funds to participating local educational agencies in the amount of the award authorized by this section for each approved application.

(d) A participating teacher is eligible to receive an award of up to one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500) from the Computer Science Supplementary Authorization Incentive Grant.

(e) The commission shall:
(1) Issue a request for proposal to all local educational agencies to solicit applications for funding.
(2) Accept grant applications from participating local educational agencies until funds are fully expended.
(3) Review applications and verify that each proposed participant teacher holds a valid credential.
(4) Allocate grants to participating local educational agencies for the purpose of paying the teacher costs of coursework, books, fees, and tuition, as applicable.

(f) In selecting grant recipients, the commission shall require each applicant to, at a minimum:
(1) Identify the educators employed by the local educational agency who have been selected to participate in the incentive grant.
(2) Identify the number of coursework credits required for each selected educator to earn a supplementary authorization in computer science.
(3) Provide an estimated cost for the required coursework, books, fees, tuition, and release time, as applicable.
(4) Provide a 100-percent match of grant funding in the form of one or both of the following:
(A) One dollar ($1) for every one dollar ($1) of grant funding received that is to be used in a manner consistent with allowable grant activities pursuant to subparagraph (3) of subdivision (f).
(B) An in-kind match of release time or substitute teacher costs for the participating teacher.

(g) For purposes of this section, “local educational agency” means a school district, a county office of education, county superintendent of schools, a state operated education program, including a state special school, or an education program providing instruction in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, that is offered by a state agency, including the California Department of Youth and Community Restoration and the State Department of Developmental Services.

(h) The awards allocated pursuant to this section shall not be subject to local educational agency indirect costs.

(i) On or before April 1 of the fiscal year following final disbursement of the funds appropriated in subdivision (a), the commission shall report to the fiscal committees of the Legislature and Department of Finance on the program, including, but not limited to, the number of participating local educational agencies, the number of grants issued, and the number of computer science supplementary authorizations issued. The report shall be made in conformance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

(j) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Local Control and Accountability Plan Database Development (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 39. (a) For the 2020–21 fiscal year, the sum of four hundred fifty thousand dollars ($450,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Education to support the alignment and integration of the online platforms supporting the California School
Dashboard, the Local Control and Accountability Plan Electronic Template System, and the School Accountability Report Card. In performing this work, every effort shall be made to maximize the consistency of school-level data reported through the School Accountability Report Card with the state priorities described in subdivision (d) of Section 52060 of the Education Code and included in California’s accountability system and reported through the California School Dashboard.

(b) It is the intent of the Legislature that the work conducted pursuant to this section on the Local Control and Accountability Plan Electronic Template System include the development of a database connected to a data entry tool that will allow comprehensive analysis by policymakers of actions and expenditures and progress on metrics included within Local Control and Accountability Plans adopted by local educational agencies.

(c) It is the intent of the Legislature that the work conducted pursuant to this section on the School Accountability Report Card platform focus on ensuring that users of the California School Dashboard can readily access the information contained in locally adopted School Accountability Report Cards.

(d) (1) For the purposes specified in subdivision (a), the State Department of Education, in collaboration with, and subject to the approval of, the executive director of the State Board of Education, shall enter into contracts with the San Joaquin County Office of Education. Of the amount appropriated, and consistent with subdivision (c), no less than fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) shall be used to hire an outside consultant pursuant to paragraph (2) with expertise in user design.

(2) Additionally, of the funds provided in this section, fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) is available to facilitate stakeholder sessions to gather input on the design of the Local Control and Accountability Plan Electronic Template System and a potential database connected to that System, including opportunities to display or create reports based on information contained in such a database.

(3) When performing these activities, the San Joaquin County Office of Education may enter into appropriate contracts for the provision of support and services, as necessary.

(e) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

County Outreach Funding (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 40. (a) The sum of eighteen million dollars ($18,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to be allocated by the Controller to an administrative agent selected pursuant to Section 52074 of the Education Code to oversee the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence. With the funds provided in this section, the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall provide funding, in the form of grants, to county offices of education based on a methodology determined by the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, subject to approval by the Executive Director of the State Board of Education. All funds appropriated pursuant to this subdivision shall be available for encumbrance until June 30, 2025.

(b) County Offices of Education that receive a grant pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be required to improve coordination efforts with county and municipal service providers to ensure that high need pupil populations have access to wraparound services as defined in Section________ of the Education Code. (California Community Schools Partnership Grants)
(c) In completing the work specified under subdivision (b), County Offices of Education shall be required to consult with:

1. The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence.
2. A public institution of higher education.

(d) County Offices of Education that receive a grant pursuant to subdivision (a) shall prioritize and align activities pursuant to this Section with the activities of local educational agencies in their jurisdiction that receive funds pursuant to the program established in Section ________ of the Education Code (California Community Schools Partnership Grants) and Section ________ (Opportunity Grants).

(e) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, thirteen million dollars ($13,000,000) of the appropriation made by subdivision (e) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

(f) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, five million dollars ($5,000,000) of the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2019-20 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2019-20 fiscal year.

Computer Science Resource Lead (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 41. (a) For the 2020-21 fiscal year, the sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars ($2,500,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Education to, in collaboration with the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, to select a county office of education to serve as an expert lead in computer science within the statewide system of support, consistent with Section 52073.1 of the Education Code.

(b) The expert lead in computer science shall have all of the following responsibilities:

1. Collaborate with the California Computer Science Coordinator, the recipients of Educator Workforce Investment Grants in computer science, science, technology, engineering, and mathematics pursuant to section ________ of this act, the University of California Subject Matter Projects in computer science, the State Department of Education, and the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence.
2. Support and build capacity within local educational agencies and the statewide system of support to promote computer science instruction in California’s public schools.
3. Collect, review, and make available materials for educators to integrate computer science into a cohesive learning model based on real-world applications that enhance access to science learning experiences at all grades levels.
4. Identify existing curriculum, resources, professional development and professional learning opportunities, including the California Computer Science Strategic Implementation Plan, and other efforts currently available at the local, state, and federal levels, as well as develop new resources and activities, designed to support and build capacity within school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools.
5. Identify the alignment of curriculum to the California Computer Science Standards, the Common Core State Standards, and the Next Generation Science Standards.
6. Identify existing free and fee-based computer science curriculum, instructional resources, and collaboration opportunities.
Identify instructional experiences that can be delivered through courses in addition to specialty computer science courses.

Detail how the resources and opportunities described in this subdivision will be made available to local educational agencies through the statewide system of support.

The expert lead in computer science shall identify and develop the resources and activities described in subdivision (b) with the goal of maximizing their usage across the state. To achieve this goal, the expert lead in computer science shall employ strategies that may include the following:

1. Identify and provide statewide professional development and professional learning opportunities free of charge to educators.
2. Collect and disseminate information on effective practices.
3. Develop train-the-trainer models and online training modules, or other tools and resources, to support the purposes of this section.
4. Offer regional conferences and workshops.
5. Provide ongoing coaching and training to educators at school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools.
6. Utilize existing networks of educators to provide coaching and training to other school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools.

The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, in collaboration with the grantee and in consultation with the department, shall evaluate the collaboration, resources, and professional learning opportunities offered or funded pursuant to this section for their effectiveness in increasing computer science instruction.

Of the funds appropriated in this section, the department shall allocate up to two hundred fifty thousand dollars ($250,000) to the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence for the purposes of this section.

A grantee receiving funds pursuant to this section shall provide program information to, and as needed by, the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence and the department as a condition of receiving grant funds.

For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020–21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020–21 fiscal year.

**Workforce Development Grant Program (Adds Uncodified Section)**

**SEC 42.** (a) For the 2020-21 fiscal year, the sum of one hundred ninety-two million nine hundred fifty-four thousand dollars ($192,954,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Education to support the Workforce Development Grant Program. These funds shall be available for encumbrance through June 30, 2025.

(b) The purpose of the Workforce Development Grant Program is to increase the number of individuals who provide student services including, but not limited to, counseling, speech therapy, mental and physical health services, clinical and rehabilitative services, social services, and librarian media services through clinical settings or as employees of K-12 public schools.

(c) The State Department of Education shall select a county office of education through a competitive grant process to serve as the designated lead agency for the Workforce Development Grant Program. The department shall allocate the funds to the selected designated lead agency by January 31, 2021.
(d) Of the amount appropriated in subdivision (a), up to twenty million dollars ($20,000,000) shall be available for planning grants for at least 100 local educational agencies or consortia, as defined in subdivision (f), and up to one hundred seventy million dollars ($170,000,000) shall be available for implementation grants. Only recipients of planning grants who are able to demonstrate preparedness to proceed with an implementation grant may receive an implementation grant.

(e) Of the amount appropriated in subdivision (a), two million nine hundred fifty-four thousand dollars ($2,954,000) shall be for the designated lead agency to administer the Workforce Development Grant Program.

(f) An applicant for a planning or implementation grant may consist of one or more, or any combination, of the following:

1. A school district.
2. A county office of education.
3. A charter school.
4. A state special school.

(g) The designated lead agency shall:

1. Have sole responsibility for developing requests for proposals and criteria for selecting grant recipients based on their plan for recruiting, preparing, developing individuals to provide student services including, but not limited to, counseling, speech therapy, mental and physical health services, clinical and rehabilitative services, social services, and librarian media services through clinical settings or as employees of K-12 public schools.
2. Issue a request for proposal for planning grants to local educational agencies to solicit applications for funding pursuant to subdivision (d) of this section.
3. Review planning grant proposals for feasibility in addressing identified workforce shortages and award planning grants.
4. Give priority to applicants that propose to:
   A. Partner in a consortia of local educational agencies.
   B. Provide financial supports to cover tuition, fees, and books of enrolled candidates.
5. Require applicants to partner with one or more public or private institutions of higher education in the planning and implementation phases of the program to develop and support postsecondary programs.
6. Determine the number of planning grants to be awarded and the total amount awarded to each grant applicant.
7. Issue a request for proposal for implementation grants to all planning grant recipients twelve months after issuing planning grants to solicit proposals for implementation grants pursuant to subdivision (d) of this section.
8. Require each applicant for an implementation grant to include a progress report of the planning grant to demonstrate the applicant’s preparedness to receive an implementation grant.
9. Award implementation grants to applicants that demonstrate preparedness to implement strategies and activities that address the identified workforce shortages.
10. Require grant recipients to submit an implementation report within three years of receiving a grant award that describes the progress and challenges of addressing the workforce shortages identified in the initial grant application.
11. Allocate 100 percent of funding to each grant recipient whose planning grant application is selected.
12. Allocate 90 percent of the funding for an implementation grant at the time of the grant award and allocate the final 10 percent of grant funding upon receipt of the final implementation report. If the grantee fails to provide the final implementation report, the grantee shall not receive the final 10 percent of the grant award.
13. Conduct an evaluation of the Workforce Development Grant Program described in this section to determine the effectiveness of this program in recruiting, preparing, and developing a
workforce to provide student services including, but not limited to, counseling, speech therapy, mental and physical health services, clinical and rehabilitative services, social services, and librarian media services through clinical settings or as employees of K 12 public schools and provide a report to the Department of Finance and the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of the Legislature by December 1, 2025.

(h) Applicants for planning and implementation grants shall:
(1) Demonstrate a local need for student services personnel or related services and present a plan that proposes one or more solutions that address that local need.
(2) Submit applications for planning and implementation grants to the designated lead agency at a time, in a manner, and containing information prescribed by the designated lead agency.
(3) As a condition of receiving grant funds, provide reports and data to the designated lead agency, as determined by the designated lead agency.

(i) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202, for the 2020–21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202, for the 2020–21 fiscal year.

Educator Workforce Investment Grant (Adds Uncodified Section):

SEC 43. (a) For the 2020-21 fiscal year, the sum of three hundred fifty million dollars ($350,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Education to administer multi-year competitive grants to one or more local educational agencies to provide professional learning opportunities for school staff pursuant to Section 44655 of the Education Code. These funds shall be available for encumbrance through June 30, 2025.

(b) By November 30, 2023, and November 30, 2025, the State Department of Education shall report to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature and the Department of Finance on the process for awarding grants, the name of each grant recipient, the amount awarded to each grant recipient, the activities provided with grant funds, and, if available, the number of schools served, and the number of educators served.

(c) The funds appropriated in this section shall be allocated as follows:
(1) (A) Seventy-five million dollars ($75,000,000) for grants pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 44655 of the Education Code.

(B) To ensure consistent and coherent delivery of literacy professional development and professional learning opportunities the grantee or grantees selected to deliver the activities pursuant to this subdivision shall collaborate with:
(i) The University of California subject Matter Projects pursuant to Section 99200 of the Education Code.
(ii) The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence.

(2) (A) Seventy-five million ($75,000,000) for grants pursuant to paragraphs (2) and (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 44655 of the Education Code.

(B) To ensure consistent and coherent delivery of mental health and school climate-related professional development and professional learning opportunities the grantee or grantees selected to deliver the activities pursuant to this subdivision shall collaborate, consult, and coordinate with:
(i) The regional lead in the statewide system of support responsible for development and delivery of multi-tiered systems of support.
(ii) The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence.
(iii) The State Department of Education.
(3) (A) fifty million dollars ($50,000,000) for grants pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 44655 of the Education Code.

(B) To ensure consistent and coherent delivery of special education-related professional development and professional learning opportunities the grantee or grantees selected to deliver the activities pursuant to this subdivision shall collaborate, consult, and coordinate with:

(i) The regional lead in the statewide system of support responsible for development and delivery of multi-tiered systems of support.
(ii) The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence.
(iii) The State Department of Education.

(4) (A) fifty million dollars ($50,000,000) for grants pursuant to paragraph (5) of subdivision (d) of Section 44655 of the Education Code.

(B) To ensure consistent and coherent delivery of English learner-related professional development and professional learning opportunities the grantee or grantees selected to deliver the activities pursuant to this subdivision shall collaborate, consult, and coordinate with:

(i) The Regional County Office of Education English Learner Specialists.
(ii) The Commission on Teacher Credentialing.
(iii) The State Department of Education.
(iv) The University of California Subject Matter Projects pursuant to Section 99200 of the Education Code.
(v) The recipient of the English learner-related Educator Workforce Investment Grant, pursuant to Chapter 51, Statutes of 2019.

(5) (A) one hundred million dollars ($100,000,000) for grants, pursuant to paragraph (6) of subdivision (d) of Section 44655 of the Education Code.

(B) To ensure consistent and coherent delivery of professional development and professional learning opportunities in computer science, science, technology, engineering, and math pursuant to this subdivision the selected grantee or grantees shall collaborate, consult, and coordinate with:

(i) The grantee or grantees selected pursuant to Section 84 of Chapter 51, Statutes of 2019 to deliver professional learning opportunities in computer science.
(ii) The California Computer Science Coordinator at the State Department of Education authorized by Section 84 of Chapter 51, Statutes of 2019.
(iii) The Computer Science Resource Lead authorized by section XX of this act.
(iv) The University of California Subject Matter Projects in computer science, science, and math pursuant to Section 99200 of the Education Code.
(v) The California Collaborative for Educational Excellence.

(e) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

California Teacher Award Program (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 44. (a) For the 2020–21 fiscal year, the sum of one hundred million dollars ($100,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for the California Teacher Credential Award Program pursuant to Education Code section 44414. This funding shall be available for encumbrance until June 30, 2025.

(b) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be
“General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Classified School Employees Teacher Credentialing Program (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 45. (a) For the 2020-21 fiscal year, the sum of sixty-four million one hundred six thousand dollars ($64,106,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for the California Classified School Employee Teacher Credentialing Program, pursuant to Section 44393 of the Education Code. This funding shall be available for encumbrance until June 30, 2025.

(b) A grant to a local educational agency shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) over five years per participant teacher candidate.

(c) The Commission on Teacher Credentialing shall:

1. Allocate grants for at least 3,200 new participants.
2. Give priority to local educational agencies that have not previously received funding pursuant to Section 44393 of the Education Code.

(d) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, forty-four million one hundred six thousand dollars ($44,106,000) of the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2018–19 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2018–19 fiscal year.

(e) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, twenty million dollars ($20,000,000) of the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020–21 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2020–21 fiscal year.

Opportunity Grants (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 46. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

1. While significant targeted investments have led to a narrowing of achievement gaps, achievement gaps for students with exceptional needs and students living in deep poverty persists. The state intends to provide struggling school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools with the systemic changes necessary to help eliminate the achievement gap and improve outcomes for all children.

2. Intensive interventions in resources and evidence-based practices at the state level will help to build up sustainable school improvement models, targeted towards the education of pupils attending schools in high poverty areas.

(b) The Opportunity Grant program is hereby established as an education funding initiative with the goal of providing grant funds and state technical assistance to the state’s highest poverty and lowest performing schools, school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools selected pursuant to the provisions in subdivision (d) of this section.
(c) Prior to November 30, 2020, the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence shall, in consultation with the Department of Education, develop a plan for the administration of the Opportunity Grant program, subject to the approval of the executive director of the State Board of Education. The CCEE will provide the administration plan to the Department of Education, the Department of Finance, the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature, and the Governor. The administration plan shall be revised annually to reflect adjustments needed, to attain the greatest improvement in the grant recipient schools and school districts, track outcomes, and to successfully apply the knowledge and practices derived from schools statewide. At a minimum, this plan shall include:

1. The grant selection process, including the timeline and acceptance criteria.
2. The low-performance school criteria to be used in the selection process.
3. The vision and scope of the Opportunity Grants.
4. The roles and requirements for the county offices of education and grant recipients.
5. A description of the required instructional review process or processes, implementation plans, or other evaluation methods to be used.

(d) The sum of three hundred million dollars ($300,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence (CCEE) to establish the Opportunity Grant program to be administered and allocated in the manner and for the purposes set forth in this section.

(e) (1) The CCEE shall allocate at least 90 percent of the amount appropriated in subdivision (d) for this program to grant recipients, which shall be selected from the following entities:

   A. A single school, in partnership with their local school district, or a consortia of schools within a district.
   B. A school district with numerous high-poverty schools.
   C. A charter school, in consultation with its charter school authorizer.
   D. A county office of education with one or more high-poverty schools in its jurisdiction.

(2) The size of the grant for each recipient shall be determined by the CCEE, subject to the approval of the executive director of the State Board of Education, pursuant to the process specified in subdivision (c), and shall, at a minimum, take into consideration the following:

   A. The number of pupils in the recipient school.
   B. The need for resources and technical assistance as determined by the instructional review process, and plans developed pursuant to subdivision (c).
   C. The size and scope of other awards and grants the award recipients have already received or will receive.

(f) The CCEE may set aside up to 10 percent of the total amount appropriated for this program in subdivision (d) as follows:

(1) An amount to be specified in the annual expenditure plan required pursuant to subdivision (g) may be used by the CCEE, for the following purposes:

   A. Establish capacity to better support award recipients.
   B. Provide award recipients with direct supports and services.
   C. Create a school quality diagnostic review and planning process and/or tool, to assist schools and districts in determining areas of improvement and informing a plan for continuous improvement.
   D. Establish a team of distinguished educators who can support award recipients directly and assist other struggling local educational agencies.
   E. Develop training models and engage in training leadership teams from recipient schools and other high-need local educational agencies.

(2) An amount to be specified in the annual expenditure plan required pursuant to subdivision (g) shall be allocated to the county office of education in which the grant recipient is located, to assist the CCEE with the purposes specified in subdivision (h) and to develop county resources to be used by other schools in the county and throughout the statewide system of support.
(g) The CCEE shall submit an expenditure plan for the Opportunity Grant program to the Department of Finance for approval prior to the release of funds. Upon approval of the expenditure plan, the Department of Finance will notify the Joint Legislative Budget Committee of the intent to release the funds. The expenditure plan shall include, but not be limited to, the following information:
(1) The amount allocated to CCEE and the associated activities.
(2) The name of each grant recipient, the amount awarded to each recipient, and the activities provided with award funds.
(3) The amount allocated to the selected county offices of education and the associated activities.

(h) On or before, March 30, 2021, the Executive Director of the CCEE shall select the recipients of the Opportunity Grants pursuant to the process developed in subdivision (d), subject to the approval of the executive director of the State Board of Education, and shall ensure the following criteria are met when selecting award recipients:
(1) At least 90 percent of the award recipient’s pupil population, in both the 2017-18 and 2018-19 academic years, were eligible for Free or Reduced Price Meals, as determined by Section 42238.01 of the Education Code.
(2) The award recipients shall meet the lowest performing school criteria established pursuant to subdivision (c).
(3) The award recipients must be willing to meet all of the requirements specified in subdivision (j).

(i) Opportunity Grant funds allocated to award recipients pursuant to this section are available for expenditure or encumbrance through the 2024-25 fiscal year and may be used for the following:
(1) Staffing improvements, including recruiting and retaining qualified and experienced teachers and mentors.
(2) Integrated student supports, including health, mental health, social services, and before and after school care.
(3) Extended learning time.
(4) English learner development programs and multi-tiered systems of support.
(5) Investments in high-quality curriculum materials and training, including English Language Arts, mathematics, and science; technology supports; and social-emotional learning and restorative justice.
(6) School redesign that enables more personalized, effective instruction: Introduction of advisory systems, teaching teams that share students, looping designs, small learning communities that are known to dramatically reduce dropouts and improve climate and graduation rates.
(7) Other supports, services, materials, or investments included in the plan developed pursuant to subdivision (c).

(j) As a condition of receiving these awards, the award recipients shall agree to meet all of the requirements specified by the CCEE in the plan developed pursuant to subdivision (c):

(k) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriations made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202, for the 2019-20 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202, for the 2019-20 fiscal year.
California Community School Partnership Grants (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 47. (a) The Legislature finds and declares the following:
(1) Conditions associated with poverty, including food insecurity, housing and employment instability, and inadequate health care, create substantial and compounding barriers to learning.
(2) Community schools offer unique models to more efficiently and effectively provide integrated educational, health, and mental health services to students with a wide range of needs.
(3) Community schools that provide integrated student supports, community partnerships, and expanded learning opportunities have been found to improve student attendance, achievement, and attainment in high-poverty communities.

(b) The sum of three hundred million dollars ($300,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Superintendent of Public Instruction to establish and administer the California Community Schools Partnership Program in the manner and for the purposes set forth in this section. Funds shall be made available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2025.

(c) Prior to January 31, 2021, the Superintendent, with the approval of the executive director of the State Board of Education, shall develop an application process and administration plan for the selection of grant recipients. Administration of this grant shall include offering technical assistance to potential applicants before awarding the grant and providing program oversight and technical assistance to grantees selected pursuant to this section.

(d) The Superintendent shall award Community School Partnership grants on a competitive bases to local educational agencies and shall give priority to grant funding based on the following:
(1) Applicants serving students in high-poverty schools in which at least 90 percent of the student population are eligible for the Free and Reduced Priced meal program.
(2) Applicants with a demonstrated need for expanded access to integrated services.
(3) Applicants who propose to partner in a consortium with other schools or county agencies.

(e) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:
(1) “Community school” is a public school serving kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive and includes the following:
(A) Integrated supports services, including the coordination of health, mental health, and social services that ensure coordination and support with county and district resources, and early screening and intervention for learning and other needs.
(B) Family and community engagement, which may include home visits, home-school collaboration, community partnerships, and school climate surveys.
(C) Collaborative leadership and practices for educators and administrators, including professional development to support mental and behavioral health, trauma-informed care, social-emotional learning, restorative justice, and other key areas.
(D) Extended learning time and opportunities, including before and after school care.
(2) “Local educational agency” is a school district, county office of education, or charter school, excluding nonclassroom based charter schools operating pursuant to section 47612.5 of the Education Code.

(f) Community School Partnership grant recipients shall commit to providing program data to the department, as specified by the Superintendent, and participate in overall program evaluation.
(g) The Superintendent shall provide a comprehensive report, on December 31, 2025, to the Governor and the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature on the impact of the grant program in achieving the goals described in this section, including an evaluation of the effectiveness of the opportunities provided.
Appropriation for Standardized Account Code Structure System Replacement Project (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 48. (a) For the 2020–21 fiscal year, the sum of four million two-hundred forty-eight thousand dollars ($4,248,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Education for the purposes set forth in subdivision (b).
(b) The State Department of Education shall allocate the funds appropriated pursuant to subdivisions (a) to the Kern County Superintendent of Schools, Fiscal Crisis and Management Assistance Team, for the Standardized Account Code Structure system replacement project.
(c) For purposes of making the computations required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the appropriation made by subdivision (a) shall be deemed to be “General Fund revenues appropriated for school districts,” as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2018–19 fiscal year, and included within the “total allocations to school districts and community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the 2018–19 fiscal year.

Appropriations Related to the Budget Bill (Adds Uncodified Section)

SEC 49. This act is a bill providing for appropriations related to the Budget Bill within the meaning of subdivision (e) of Section 12 of Article IV of the California Constitution, has been identified as related to the budget in the Budget Bill, and shall take effect immediately.