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Assembly Bill No. 2319

CHAPTER 865

An act to amend Sections 30, 19325.1, 33126, 33195.4, 33533, 44256, 44257, 44610, 44611, 44615, 44616, 44856, 48223, 51212, 51220, 51225.3, 51243, 51244, 51245, 51460, 51461, 51865, 52167, 60119, 60603, 60605.3, and 66081 of, and to add Section 91 to, the Education Code, relating to foreign language education.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2319, Nazarian. Foreign language education: world language.

Existing law refers to the study of a language other than English by pupils as the study of a foreign language. Existing law refers to the term "foreign language" in various provisions of the Education Code.

This bill would delete references in the Education Code to the term "foreign language" and would instead substitute the term "world language." The bill would provide that the bill shall not be construed to require local educational agencies to make modifications to their language programs. The bill would also make nonsubstantive changes.

This bill would incorporate additional changes to Section 60119 of the Education Code proposed by SB 816 to be operative only if this bill and SB 816 are enacted and this bill is enacted last.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 30 of the Education Code is amended to read:

- **30.** (a) English shall be the basic language of instruction in all schools.
- (b) The governing board of a school district, or community college district, and any private school may determine when and under what circumstances instruction may be given bilingually.
- (c) It is the policy of the state to ensure the mastery of English by all pupils in the schools, provided that bilingual instruction may be offered in those situations when such instruction is educationally advantageous to the pupils. Bilingual instruction is authorized to the extent that it does not interfere with the systematic, sequential, and regular instruction of all pupils in the English language.
- (d) Pupils who are proficient in English and who, by successful completion of advanced courses in a world language or by other means, have become fluent in that language may be instructed in classes conducted in that world language.

- **SEC. 2.** Section 91 is added to the Education Code, to read:
- **91.** "World language" means any language other than English, including American Sign Language, and is synonymous with "foreign language."
- SEC. 3. Section 19325.1 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **19325.1.** (a) The State Librarian may operate a telephonic reading system, fund the operation of telephonic reading systems operated by qualifying entities, or both.
- (b) Pursuant to an appropriation in the annual Budget Act and in accordance with Section 270 of the Public Utilities Code, the telephonic reading system is to be funded from the Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program Administrative Committee Fund.
- (c) As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings, unless otherwise indicated:
 - (1) "Telephonic reading system" means a system operated by the State Librarian or a qualifying entity, whereby a caller can hear the reading of material such as newspapers, magazines, newsletters, broadcast media schedules, transit route and schedule information, and other reference or time-sensitive materials, as determined by the operator of the system.
 - (2) "Qualifying entity" means any agency, instrumentality, or political subdivision of the state or any nonprofit organization whose primary mission is to provide services to people who are blind or visually impaired.
- (d) Qualifying entities that were eligible, as of January 1, 2001, to receive funds from the State Librarian relating to the operation of a telephonic reading system may continue to receive funding from the State Librarian.
- (e) The State Librarian, in cooperation with qualifying entities, may expand the type and scope of materials available on telephonic reading systems in order to meet the local, regional, or world language needs of print-disabled residents of this state. The State Librarian may also expand the scope of services and availability of telephonic reading services by current methods and technologies or by methods and technologies that may be developed. The State Librarian may inform current and potential patrons of the availability of telephonic reading service through appropriate means, including, but not limited to, direct mailings, direct telephonic contact, and public service announcements.
- (f) The State Librarian may enter into contracts or other agreements that he or she determines to be appropriate to provide telephonic reading services pursuant to this section.
- SEC. 4. Section 33126 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **33126.** (a) The school accountability report card shall provide data by which a parent can make meaningful comparisons between public schools that will enable him or her to make informed decisions on the school in which to enroll his or her children.
- (b) The school accountability report card shall include, but is not limited to, assessment of the following school conditions:
 - (1) (A) Pupil achievement by grade level, as measured by the standardized testing and reporting programs pursuant to Article 4 (commencing with Section 60640) of Chapter 5 of Part 33.
 - (B) After the state develops a statewide assessment system pursuant to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 60600) and Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 60800) of Part 33, pupil achievement by grade level, as measured by the results of the statewide assessment.
 - (2) Progress toward reducing dropout rates, including the one-year dropout rate listed in the California Basic Educational Data System or a successor data system for the schoolsite over the most recent three-year period, and the graduation rate, as defined by the state board, over the most recent three-year period when available pursuant to Section 52052.
 - (3) Estimated expenditures per pupil and types of services funded. The assessment of estimated expenditures per pupil shall reflect the actual salaries of personnel assigned to the schoolsite. The assessment of estimated expenditures per pupil shall be reported in total, shall be reported in subtotal by restricted and by unrestricted source, and shall include a reporting of the average of actual salaries paid to certificated instructional personnel at that schoolsite.
 - (4) Progress toward reducing class sizes and teaching loads, including the distribution of class sizes at the schoolsite by grade level and the average class size, using the California Basic Educational Data System or a successor data system information for the most recent three-year period.

- (5) The total number of the school's fully credentialed teachers, the number of teachers relying upon emergency credentials, the number of teachers working without credentials, any assignment of teachers outside their subject areas of competence, misassignments, including misassignments of teachers of English learners, and the number of vacant teacher positions for the most recent three-year period.
 - (A) For purposes of this paragraph, "vacant teacher position" means a position to which a single-designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of the year for an entire year or, if the position is for a one-semester course, a position of which a single-designated certificated employee has not been assigned at the beginning of a semester for an entire semester.
 - (B) For purposes of this paragraph, "misassignment" means the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position for which the employee does not hold a legally recognized certificate or credential or the placement of a certificated employee in a teaching or services position that the employee is not otherwise authorized by statute to hold.
- (6) (A) Quality and currency of textbooks and other instructional materials, including whether textbooks and other materials meet state standards and are adopted by the state board for kindergarten and grades 1 to 8, inclusive, and adopted by the governing boards of school districts for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, and the ratio of textbooks per pupil and the year the textbooks were adopted.
 - (B) The availability of sufficient textbooks and other instructional materials, as determined pursuant to Section 60119, for each pupil, including English learners, in each of the areas enumerated in clauses (i) to (iv), inclusive. If the governing board determines, pursuant to Section 60119, that there are insufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, it shall include information for each school in which an insufficiency exists, identifying the percentage of pupils who lack sufficient standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials in each subject area. The subject areas to be included are all of the following:
 - (i) The core curriculum areas of reading/language arts, mathematics, science, and history/social science.
 - (ii) World language and health.
 - (iii) Science laboratory equipment for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, as appropriate.
 - (iv) Visual and performing arts.
- (7) The availability of qualified personnel to provide counseling and other pupil support services, including the ratio of academic counselors per pupil.
- (8) Safety, cleanliness, and adequacy of school facilities, including any needed maintenance to ensure good repair as specified in Section 17014, Section 17032.5, subdivision (a) of Section 17070.75, and subdivision (b) of Section 17089.
- (9) The annual number of schooldays dedicated to staff development for the most recent three-year period.
- (10) Suspension and expulsion rates for the most recent three-year period.
- (11) For secondary schools, the percentage of graduates who have passed course requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University, including the course requirements for high school graduation pursuant to Section 51225.3, and the percentage of pupils enrolled in those courses, as reported by the California Basic Educational Data System or any successor data system.
- (12) The number of advanced placement courses offered, by subject.
- (13) The Academic Performance Index, including the disaggregation of subgroups as set forth in Section 52052 and the decile rankings and a comparison of schools.
- (14) Contact information pertaining to organized opportunities for parental involvement.
- (15) Career technical education data measures, including all of the following:
 - (A) A list of programs offered by the school district in which pupils at the school may participate and that are aligned to the model curriculum standards adopted pursuant to Section 51226, and program sequences offered by the school district. The list should identify courses conducted by a regional occupational center or program, and those conducted directly by the school district.
 - (B) A listing of the primary representative of the career technical advisory committee of the school district and the industries represented.

- (C) The number of pupils participating in career technical education.
- (D) The percentage of pupils that complete a career technical education program and earn a high school diploma.
- (E) The percentage of career technical education courses that are sequenced or articulated between a school and institutions of postsecondary education.
- (c) If the Commission on State Mandates finds a school district is eligible for a reimbursement of costs incurred complying with this section, the school district shall be reimbursed only if the information provided in the school accountability report card is accurate, as determined by the annual audit performed pursuant to Section 41020. If the information is determined to be inaccurate, the school district remains eligible for reimbursement if the information is corrected by May 15.
- (d) It is the intent of the Legislature that schools make a concerted effort to notify parents of the purpose of the school accountability report cards, as described in this section, and ensure that all parents receive a copy of the report card; to ensure that the report cards are easy to read and understandable by parents; to ensure that local educational agencies with access to the Internet make available current copies of the report cards through the Internet; and to ensure that administrators and teachers are available to answer any questions regarding the report cards.
- **SEC. 5.** Section 33195.4 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **33195.4.** For purposes of this article, "heritage school" means a school that serves children who are at least 4 years and 9 months of age and no older than 18 years of age, who attend a public or private full-time day school, that does all of the following:
- (a) Specifies regular hours of operation.
- (b) Offers education or academic tutoring, or both, in a world language.
- (c) Offers education on the culture, traditions, or history of a country other than the United States.
- (d) Offers culturally enriching activities, including, but not limited to, art, dancing, games, or singing, based on the culture or customs of a country other than the United States.
- (e) Maintains membership in a state or national cultural or language association.
- (f) Complies with relevant local government regulations, where applicable.
- (g) Does not operate out of a residential home.
- (h) Complies with the requirements of Section 33195 and maintains in its possession a copy of the registration form electronically filed with the Superintendent. The heritage school shall make this form available upon request, including to the State Department of Social Services, to verify exemption from child care licensure.
- SEC. 6. Section 33533 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **33533.** The Superintendent and the state board shall consider for membership on the commission persons representing subjects commonly taught in public schools, including:
- (a) English.
- (b) Social sciences.
- (c) World languages.
- (d) Science.
- (e) Mathematics.
- (f) Visual and performing arts.
- (g) Applied arts.
- (h) Conservation education.
- SEC. 7. Section 44256 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- 44256. Authorization for teaching credentials shall be of four basic kinds, as defined below:

- (a) "Single subject instruction" means the practice of assignment of teachers and students to specified subject matter courses, as is commonly practiced in California high schools and most California junior high schools. The holder of a single subject teaching credential or a standard secondary credential or a special secondary teaching credential, as defined in this subdivision, who has completed 20 semester hours of coursework or 10 semester hours of upper division or graduate coursework approved by the commission at an accredited institution in any subject commonly taught in grades 7 to 12, inclusive, other than the subject for which he or she is already certificated to teach, shall be eligible to have this subject appear on the credential as an authorization to teach this subject. The commission, by regulation, may require that evidence of additional competence is a condition for instruction in particular subjects, including, but not limited to, world languages. The commission may establish and implement alternative requirements for additional authorizations to the single subject credential on the basis of specialized needs. For purposes of this subdivision, a special secondary teaching credential means a special secondary teaching credential issued on the basis of at least a baccalaureate degree, a student teaching requirement, and 24 semester units of coursework in the subject specialty of the credential.
- (b) (1) "Multiple subject instruction" means the practice of assignment of teachers and students for multiple subject matter instruction, as is commonly practiced in California elementary schools and as is commonly practiced in early childhood education.
 - (2) The holder of a multiple subject teaching credential or a standard elementary credential who has completed 20 semester hours of coursework or 10 semester hours of upper division or graduate coursework approved by the commission at an accredited institution in any subject commonly taught in grades 9 and below shall be eligible to have that subject appear on the credential as authorization to teach the subject in departmentalized classes in grades 9 and below. The governing board of a school district by resolution may authorize the holder of a multiple subject teaching credential or a standard elementary credential to teach any subject in departmentalized classes to a given class or group of pupils below grade 9, provided that the teacher has completed at least 12 semester units, or six upper division or graduate units, of coursework at an accredited institution in each subject to be taught. The authorization shall be with the teacher's consent. However, the commission, by regulation, may provide that evidence of additional competence is necessary for instruction in particular subjects, including, but not limited to, world languages. The commission may establish and implement alternative requirements for additional authorizations to the multiple subject credential on the basis of specialized needs.
- (c) "Specialist instruction" means any specialty requiring advanced preparation or special competence, including, but not limited to, reading specialist, mathematics specialist, specialist in special education, or early childhood education, and such other specialties as the commission may determine.
- (d) "Designated subjects" means the practice of assignment of teachers and students to designated technical, trade, or career technical courses which courses may be part of a program of trade, technical, or career technical education.
- SEC. 8. Section 44257 of the Education Code is amended to read:

(1) Agriculture.
(2) Art.
(3) Business.
(4) Dance.

44257. (a) The commission shall issue single subject teaching credentials only in the following subjects:

(6) World Language.

(5) English.

(7) Health Science.

(8) Home Economics.

(9) Industrial and Technology Education.

(10) Mathematics.

(11) Music.

(12) Physical Education.

(13) Science.

(14) Social Science.

- (15) Theater.
- (b) The commission shall issue the single subject teaching credential in world language with an authorization to teach Chinese, French, German, Russian, Spanish, or any other language that the commission determines is appropriate.
- (c) Subjects that are commonly taught in departmentalized classes in California public schools shall be subsumed under the credential categories in subdivision (a).
- (d) The commission shall issue single subject teaching credentials in the categories that were identified in Section 44282 as of December 31, 1993, to applicants who were in the process of preparing to earn those credentials before the effective date of the commission's implementation of subdivision (a).
- (e) (1) A person issued a single subject teaching credential in English before the establishment of a single subject teaching credential in theatre is authorized to teach theatre. A person pursuing a single subject teaching credential in English before the establishment of a single subject teaching credential in theatre shall not become subject to additional requirements for the single subject teaching credential in English as a result of the authorization provided by this paragraph.
 - (2) A person issued a single subject teaching credential in physical education before the establishment of a single subject teaching credential in dance is authorized to teach dance. A person pursuing a single subject teaching credential in physical education before the establishment of a single subject teaching credential in dance shall not become subject to additional requirements for the single subject teaching credential in physical education as a result of the authorization provided by this paragraph.
- (f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a school district from employing a person who holds a single subject teaching credential in another subject with an authorization to teach theatre from teaching theatre, or a person who holds a single subject teaching credential in another subject with an authorization to teach dance from teaching dance.
- SEC. 9. Section 44610 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- 44610. This article shall be known as the "World Language Teacher Exchange and Recruitment Law of 1963."
- **SEC. 10.** Section 44611 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **44611.** The purposes of this article are to encourage and promote the temporary exchange of teachers between school districts in California and schools in foreign countries and to make available to California schools as teachers foreign-born persons and others who are especially qualified to provide instruction in one or more modern world languages in order that the schools of this state may comply with the requirement of the state law that world language instruction be given to pupils in grades 6, 7, and 8 as of July 1, 1965. It is the finding of the Legislature that California teachers will become more fluent in a world language and more knowledgeable about peoples of other countries and their environment by teaching service in a country where that language is used in daily life, and that it will be of substantial benefit to California pupils beginning the study of a world language to be instructed by teachers who are fluent in the language and conversant with the attendant culture and are therefore able to instill and reinforce the appropriate speech habits early in the learning experience of the pupil. It is the purpose of the Legislature to encourage and enable California schools to benefit from the language abilities of citizens of foreign countries who are now or in the future may be residents of this state.
- SEC. 11. Section 44615 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **44615.** The commission shall adopt rules and regulations providing for the recruitment of, and issuance of special credentials in the teaching of a world language to foreign-born persons or others having native fluency in a modern world language to teach world languages in the public schools of California. The issuance of special credentials in the teaching of world languages pursuant to this section shall be limited to 500 persons a year. The commission shall prescribe the minimum standards for these special credentials and shall provide for the renewal of these credentials. In issuing the credentials to any applicant the commission shall take into consideration fluency in the language to be taught, academic preparation, previous teaching experience, a knowledge of modern methods of world language instruction and a knowledge of peoples of other countries and their environment. The commission shall adopt rules and regulations that require the holder of a special credential issued under this section to undertake, within a reasonable time, a course of study that will enable the holder to become eligible for a standard teaching credential.
- SEC. 12. Section 44616 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **44616.** (a) The department may contract with universities and colleges in this state approved by the commission as a teacher education institution for furnishing refresher courses in which applicants for a special credential in the teaching of a world

language issued under Section 44615 who have not had previous recent teaching experience may secure instruction in the teaching of a world language that will enable them to meet the standards prescribed by the commission.

- (b) Instruction in the teaching of world languages pursuant to this section shall be limited to 500 persons a year.
- (c) The department may pay to each person enrolled in a refresher course a stipend of seventy-five dollars (\$75) a week for a total of six weeks or a stipend paid in some other manner but the total amount paid to an individual shall not exceed four hundred fifty dollars (\$450).
- **SEC. 13.** Section 44856 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **44856.** (a) The governing board of a school district, for the purposes of providing bilingual instruction, world language instruction, or cultural enrichment, in the schools of the school district, subject to the rules and regulations of the state board, may conclude arrangements with the proper authorities of a foreign country, or of a state, territory, or possession of the United States, for the hiring of bilingual teachers employed in public or private schools of a foreign country, state, territory, or possession. To be eligible for employment, the teacher must speak English fluently. Any persons employed pursuant to this section shall be known as a "sojourn certificated employee."
- (b) A person shall not be hired as a sojourn certificated employee by a school district unless he or she holds the necessary valid credential or credentials issued by the commission authorizing the person to serve in a position requiring certification qualifications in the school district proposing to employ him or her. The person may be employed for a period not to exceed two years, except that thereafter the period of employment may be extended from year to year for a total period of not more than five years upon verification by the employing school district that termination of the employment would adversely affect an existing bilingual or world language program or program of cultural enrichment, and that attempts to secure the employment of a certificated California teacher qualified to fill the position have been unsuccessful. The commission shall establish minimum standards for the credentials for sojourn certificated employees.
- SEC. 14. Section 48223 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **48223.** Children who are mentally gifted and who are being instructed in a private full-time day school by persons capable of teaching, where all or part of the courses of instruction required to be taught in the public schools of this state is taught in a world language with not less than 50 percent of the total daily instructional time taught in the English language, shall be exempted. The attendance of the pupils shall be kept pursuant to Section 48222.
- SEC. 15. Section 51212 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **51212.** It is the intent and purpose of the Legislature to encourage the establishment of programs of instruction in world language, with instruction beginning as early as feasible for each school district.
- SEC. 16. Section 51220 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- 51220. The adopted course of study for grades 7 to 12, inclusive, shall offer courses in the following areas of study:
- (a) English, including knowledge of and appreciation for literature, language, and composition, and the skills of reading, listening, and speaking.
- (b) (1) Social sciences, drawing upon the disciplines of anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, and sociology, designed to fit the maturity of the pupils. Instruction shall provide a foundation for understanding the history, resources, development, and government of California and the United States of America; instruction in our American legal system, the operation of the juvenile and adult criminal justice systems, and the rights and duties of citizens under the criminal and civil law and the State and Federal Constitutions; the development of the American economic system, including the role of the entrepreneur and labor; the relations of persons to their human and natural environment; eastern and western cultures and civilizations; human rights issues, with particular attention to the study of the inhumanity of genocide, slavery, and the Holocaust, and contemporary issues.
 - (2) For purposes of this subdivision, genocide may include the Armenian Genocide. The "Armenian Genocide" means the torture, starvation, and murder of 1,500,000 Armenians, which included death marches into the Syrian desert, by the rulers of the Ottoman Turkish Empire and the exile of more than 500,000 innocent people during the period from 1915 to 1923, inclusive.
- (c) World language or languages, beginning not later than grade 7, designed to develop a facility for understanding, speaking, reading, and writing the particular language.

- (d) Physical education, with emphasis given to physical activities that are conducive to health and to vigor of body and mind, as required by Section 51222.
- (e) Science, including the physical and biological aspects, with emphasis on basic concepts, theories, and processes of scientific investigation and on the place of humans in ecological systems, and with appropriate applications of the interrelation and interdependence of the sciences.
- (f) Mathematics, including instruction designed to develop mathematical understandings, operational skills, and insight into problem-solving procedures.
- (g) Visual and performing arts, including dance, music, theater, and visual arts, with emphasis upon development of aesthetic appreciation and the skills of creative expression.
- (h) Applied arts, including instruction in the areas of consumer and homemaking education, industrial arts, general business education, or general agriculture.
- (i) Career technical education designed and conducted for the purpose of preparing youth for gainful employment in the occupations and in the numbers that are appropriate to the personnel needs of the state and the community served and relevant to the career desires and needs of the pupils.
- (j) Automobile driver education, designed to develop a knowledge of the provisions of the Vehicle Code and other laws of this state relating to the operation of motor vehicles, a proper acceptance of personal responsibility in traffic, a true appreciation of the causes, seriousness, and consequences of traffic accidents, and to develop the knowledge and attitudes necessary for the safe operation of motor vehicles. A course in automobile driver education shall include education in the safe operation of motorcycles.
- (k) Other studies as may be prescribed by the governing board.
- **SEC. 17.** Section 51225.3 of the Education Code, as amended by Section 40 of Chapter 561 of the Statutes of 2017, is amended to read:
- **51225.3.** (a) A pupil shall complete all of the following while in grades 9 to 12, inclusive, in order to receive a diploma of graduation from high school:
 - (1) At least the following numbers of courses in the subjects specified, each course having a duration of one year, unless otherwise specified:
 - (A) Three courses in English.
 - (B) Two courses in mathematics. If the governing board of a school district requires more than two courses in mathematics for graduation, the governing board of the school district may award a pupil up to one mathematics course credit pursuant to Section 51225.35.
 - (C) Two courses in science, including biological and physical sciences.
 - (D) Three courses in social studies, including United States history and geography; world history, culture, and geography; a one-semester course in American government and civics; and a one-semester course in economics.
 - (E) One course in visual or performing arts, world language, or, commencing with the 2012–13 school year, career technical education.
 - (i) For purposes of satisfying the requirement specified in this subparagraph, a course in American Sign Language shall be deemed a course in world language.
 - (ii) For purposes of this subparagraph, "a course in career technical education" means a course in a district-operated career technical education program that is aligned to the career technical model curriculum standards and framework adopted by the state board, including courses through a regional occupational center or program operated by a county superintendent of schools or pursuant to a joint powers agreement.
 - (iii) This subparagraph does not require a school or school district that currently does not offer career technical education courses to start new career technical education programs for purposes of this section.
 - (iv) If a school district or county office of education elects to allow a career technical education course to satisfy the requirement imposed by this subparagraph, the governing board of the school district or county office of education, before offering that alternative to pupils, shall notify parents, teachers, pupils, and the public at a regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board of all of the following:

- (I) The intent to offer career technical education courses to fulfill the graduation requirement specified in this subparagraph.
- (II) The impact that offering career technical education courses, pursuant to this subparagraph, will have on the availability of courses that meet the eligibility requirements for admission to the California State University and the University of California, and whether the career technical education courses to be offered pursuant to this subparagraph are approved to satisfy those eligibility requirements. If a school district elects to allow a career technical education course to satisfy the requirement imposed by this subparagraph, the school district shall comply with subdivision (m) of Section 48980.
- (III) The distinction, if any, between the high school graduation requirements of the school district or county office of education, and the eligibility requirements for admission to the California State University and the University of California.
- (F) Two courses in physical education, unless the pupil has been exempted pursuant to the provisions of this code.
- (2) Other coursework requirements adopted by the governing board of the school district.
- (b) The governing board, with the active involvement of parents, administrators, teachers, and pupils, shall adopt alternative means for pupils to complete the prescribed course of study that may include practical demonstration of skills and competencies, supervised work experience or other outside school experience, career technical education classes offered in high schools, courses offered by regional occupational centers or programs, interdisciplinary study, independent study, and credit earned at a postsecondary educational institution. Requirements for graduation and specified alternative modes for completing the prescribed course of study shall be made available to pupils, parents, and the public.
- (c) On or before July 1, 2017, the department shall submit a comprehensive report to the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature on the addition of career technical education courses to satisfy the requirement specified in subparagraph (E) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), including, but not limited to, the following information:
 - (1) A comparison of the pupil enrollment in career technical education courses, world language courses, and visual and performing arts courses for the 2005–06 to 2011–12 school years, inclusive, to the pupil enrollment in career technical education courses, world language courses, and visual and performing arts courses for the 2012–13 to 2016–17 school years, inclusive.
 - (2) The reasons, reported by school districts, that pupils give for choosing to enroll in a career technical education course to satisfy the requirement specified in subparagraph (E) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a).
 - (3) The type and number of career technical education courses that were conducted for the 2005–06 to 2011–12 school years, inclusive, compared to the type and number of career technical education courses that were conducted for the 2012–13 to 2016–17 school years, inclusive.
 - (4) The number of career technical education courses that satisfied the subject matter requirements for admission to the University of California or the California State University.
 - (5) The extent to which the career technical education courses chosen by pupils are aligned with the California Career Technical Education Model Curriculum Standards, and prepare pupils for employment, advanced training, and postsecondary education.
 - (6) The number of career technical education courses that also satisfy the visual and performing arts requirement, and the number of career technical education courses that also satisfy the world language requirement.
 - (7) Annual pupil dropout and graduation rates for the 2011–12 to 2014–15 school years, inclusive.
- (d) For purposes of completing the report described in subdivision (c), the Superintendent may use existing state resources and federal funds. If state or federal funds are not available or sufficient, the Superintendent may apply for and accept grants, and receive donations and other financial support from public or private sources for purposes of this section.
- (e) For purposes of completing the report described in subdivision (c), the Superintendent may accept support, including, but not limited to, financial and technical support, from high school reform advocates, teachers, chamber organizations, industry representatives, research centers, parents, and pupils.
- (f) This section shall become inoperative on the earlier of the following two dates:
 - (1) On July 1, immediately following the first fiscal year after the enactment of the act that adds this paragraph in which the number of career technical education courses that, as determined by the department, satisfy the world language requirement

for admission to the California State University and the University of California is at least twice the number of career technical education courses that meet these admission requirements as of January 1, 2012. This section shall be repealed on the following January 1, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes operative on or before that date, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. It is the intent of the Legislature that new career technical education courses that satisfy the world language requirement for admission to the California State University and the University of California focus on world languages aligned with career preparation, emphasizing real-world application and technical content in related career and technical education courses.

- (2) On July 1, 2022, and, as of January 1, 2023, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2023, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.
- **SEC. 18.** Section 51225.3 of the Education Code, as amended by Section 2 of Chapter 888 of the Statutes of 2014, is amended to read:
- **51225.3.** (a) A pupil shall complete all of the following while in grades 9 to 12, inclusive, in order to receive a diploma of graduation from high school:
 - (1) At least the following numbers of courses in the subjects specified, each course having a duration of one year, unless otherwise specified:
 - (A) Three courses in English.
 - (B) Two courses in mathematics. If the governing board of a school district requires more than two courses in mathematics for graduation, the governing board of the school district may award a pupil up to one mathematics course credit pursuant to Section 51225.35.
 - (C) Two courses in science, including biological and physical sciences.
 - (D) Three courses in social studies, including United States history and geography; world history, culture, and geography; a one-semester course in American government and civics; and a one-semester course in economics.
 - (E) One course in visual or performing arts or world language. For purposes of satisfying the requirement specified in this subparagraph, a course in American Sign Language shall be deemed a course in world language.
 - (F) Two courses in physical education, unless the pupil has been exempted pursuant to the provisions of this code.
 - (2) Other coursework requirements adopted by the governing board of the school district.
- (b) The governing board, with the active involvement of parents, administrators, teachers, and pupils, shall adopt alternative means for pupils to complete the prescribed course of study that may include practical demonstration of skills and competencies, supervised work experience or other outside school experience, career technical education classes offered in high schools, courses offered by regional occupational centers or programs, interdisciplinary study, independent study, and credit earned at a postsecondary educational institution. Requirements for graduation and specified alternative modes for completing the prescribed course of study shall be made available to pupils, parents, and the public.
- (c) If a pupil completed a career technical education course that met the requirements of subparagraph (E) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 51225.3, as amended by the act adding this section, before the inoperative date of that section, that course shall be deemed to fulfill the requirements of subparagraph (E) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of this section.
- (d) This section shall become operative upon the date that Section 51225.3, as amended by the act adding this section, becomes inoperative.
- SEC. 19. Section 51243 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **51243.** Credit shall be given for purposes of the course of study requirements prescribed by school district governing boards or other authorities having jurisdiction for grades 9 to 12, inclusive, to courses in world languages in private schools on the basis of their being at least equivalent to those that would be required for the pupil in a world language class in the same grade level in the public schools. The state board shall adopt rules and regulations prescribing standards and conditions pursuant to which credit shall be given for those purposes to pupils in the public schools who have successfully completed world language studies in private schools.
- SEC. 20. Section 51244 of the Education Code is amended to read:

- **51244.** The provisions of Section 51243 giving credit for world language courses given in private schools shall apply to courses in the following languages: Chinese, French, German, Greek (classical and modern), Hebrew (classical and modern), Italian, Japanese, Jewish, Latin, Spanish, and Russian, and other languages as the state board shall designate.
- SEC. 21. Section 51245 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **51245.** For purposes of the credit that may be given pursuant to Sections 51243 and 51244 for world language courses undertaken in private schools, it shall not be required that instructors in the private schools be regularly credentialed teachers.
- SEC. 22. Section 51460 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **51460.** (a) The State Seal of Biliteracy is established to recognize high school graduates who have attained a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing in one or more languages in addition to English. The State Seal of Biliteracy shall be awarded by the Superintendent. School district participation in this program is voluntary.
- (b) The purposes of the State Seal of Biliteracy are as follows:
 - (1) To encourage pupils to study languages.
 - (2) To certify attainment of biliteracy.
 - (3) To provide employers with a method of identifying people with language and biliteracy skills.
 - (4) To provide universities with a method to recognize and give academic credit to applicants seeking admission.
 - (5) To prepare pupils with 21st century skills.
 - (6) To recognize and promote world language instruction in public schools.
 - (7) To strengthen intergroup relationships, affirm the value of diversity, and honor the multiple cultures and languages of a community.
- SEC. 23. Section 51461 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **51461.** (a) The State Seal of Biliteracy certifies attainment of a high level of proficiency by a graduating high school pupil in one or more languages, in addition to English, and certifies that the graduate meets all of the following criteria:
 - (1) Completion of all English language arts requirements for graduation with an overall grade point average of 2.0 or above in those classes.
 - (2) Passing the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress for English language arts, or any successor test, administered in grade 11, at or above the "standard met" achievement level, or at the achievement level determined by the Superintendent for any successor test.
 - (3) Proficiency in one or more languages other than English, demonstrated through one of the following methods:
 - (A) Passing a world language Advanced Placement examination with a score of 3 or higher or an International Baccalaureate examination with a score of 4 or higher.
 - (B) Successful completion of a four-year high school course of study in a world language, attaining an overall grade point average of 3.0 or above in that course of study, and oral proficiency in the language comparable to that required pursuant to subparagraph (A).
 - (C) (i) If no Advanced Placement examination or off-the-shelf language test exists and the school district can certify to the Superintendent that the test meets the rigor of a four-year high school course of study in that world language, passing a school district language examination that, at a minimum, assesses speaking, reading, and writing in a language other than English at the proficient level or higher. If a school district offers a language examination in a language in which an Advanced Placement examination or off-the-shelf language test exists, the school district language examination shall be approved by the Superintendent for the purpose of determining proficiency in a language other than English.
 - (ii) Notwithstanding clause (i), a pupil who seeks to qualify for the State Seal of Biliteracy through a language that is not characterized by listening, speaking, or reading, or for which there is no written system, shall pass an assessment on the modalities that characterize communication in that language at the proficient level or higher.
 - (D) Passing the SAT II world language examination with a score of 600 or higher.

- (b) If the primary language of a pupil in any of grades 9 to 12, inclusive, is other than English, he or she shall do both of the following in order to qualify for the State Seal of Biliteracy:
 - (1) Attain the level demonstrating English language proficiency on the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California, or any successor English language proficiency assessment, in transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive.
 - (2) Meet the requirements of subdivision (a).
- (c) For languages in which an Advanced Placement test is not available, the Superintendent may provide a listing of equivalent summative tests that school districts may use in place of an Advanced Placement test for purposes of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (a). A school district may provide the Superintendent with a list of equivalent summative tests that the school district uses in place of an Advanced Placement test for purposes of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (a). The Superintendent may use lists received from school districts in developing his or her list of equivalent summative tests.
- (d) For purposes of this article, "world language" has the same meaning as defined in Section 91.
- SEC. 24. Section 51865 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **51865.** (a) It is the intent of the Legislature that legislation be enacted to implement the policy objectives set forth in this section with regard to distance learning. For purposes of this article, "distance learning" means instruction in which the pupil and instructor are in different locations and interact through the use of computer and communications technology. Distance learning may include video or audio instruction in which the primary mode of communication between pupil and instructor is instructional television, video, telecourses, or any other instruction that relies on computer or communications technology.
- (b) Distance learning should be utilized by the state to achieve the following educational goals:
 - (1) Equity in education, which requires that every pupil in California's public schools, and every adult in the state, have equal access to educational opportunities, regardless of where he or she lives or how small a school the pupil attends.
 - (2) Quality in education, which would be enhanced through the creative application of telecommunications, as pupils are given the opportunity to interact with pupils from other cultures and geographical locations, and with outstanding educators from other educational institutions.
 - (3) Diversity among educational institutions, which has been recognized in California through the support of various types of public educational institutions as well as of independent and private colleges and universities. Distance learning technology permits greater diversity in the means of instruction and in the delivery of educational and training services to an adult population that is more and more likely to seek education outside of the traditional baccalaureate program designed for four consecutive years on a full-time basis shortly after graduating from high school.
 - (4) Efficiency and accountability, which receive increasing emphasis as state budget resources become increasingly restricted. Distance learning technologies can be effective only through the cooperative efforts of individuals from different institutions, a collaboration that has the potential to reduce costs and increase efficiency. A technology-integrated educational delivery system would allow for the electronic transmittal of files and reports, thus providing the information needed for accountability more rapidly and at a lower cost, and for video teleconferencing for state and local education and other government agencies, thereby diminishing travel requirements.
- (c) To the extent that funding is made available for this purpose, a coordinated distance learning system should be developed to serve the following high priority education needs:
 - (1) The enhancement of work force skills and competency in the adult population.
 - (2) The expansion of adult education classes in English as a second language, in response to the growing level of unmet need for that instruction.
 - (3) The enhancement of curriculum to meet the needs of high-risk pupils who would be likely to drop out of traditional classroom programs.
 - (4) The expansion of course offerings in subjects that include, but are not limited to, world languages, science, and mathematics, to rural and inner-city secondary schools that are unable to provide the college preparatory and enrichment courses that their pupils require and that other secondary schools provide.
 - (5) The expansion of course offerings at community colleges and off-campus centers to better serve students in all parts of the state. This expansion should include university-level courses, to better serve community college students who seek a university-level education but do not have the financial resources to transfer to a university.

- (6) The establishment of staff development courses for elementary school, secondary school, and community college teachers who otherwise might be unable to participate in training opportunities.
- (7) The enhancement of curriculum through an increased communication capability on the part of schools, colleges, and universities, providing the opportunity for those institutions to receive various types of supplementary educational programs, conduct exchanges with business, industry, and government, participate in live lectures and conferences on special topics, and increase cooperation and communication with other educational institutions.
- (d) The state should encourage the use of multiple technologies in distance learning education, including microwave, satellite, and public/private switched network delivery systems. Priority in this regard should be placed upon interconnecting the various delivery systems, while providing educators with the opportunity to experiment with each alternative distance learning technology.
- (e) The state shall recognize the value of regional networks serving regional needs, as well as the value of a statewide network.
- (f) In expanding the use of distance learning technology, the state should emphasize the delivery of education and training services to populations currently not receiving those services, the ease of access by educational institutions to the technology, and the lower cost over time of providing instruction through distance learning rather than on site.
- (g) The state should employ incentives, rather than requirements, to induce educational institutions to expand their utilization of distance learning technologies.
- (h) The state should ensure that the same standards are applied to distance learning for course and program quality, course content, pupil achievement levels, and coherence of curriculum that are currently applied for those purposes to traditional classroom instruction at public educational institutions.
- (i) The state should encourage collaboration between the private sector and educational institutions in the use of technology, both to enhance the quality of education in the classroom and to expand the delivery of educational services to the worksite.
- **SEC. 25.** Section 52167 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **52167.** (a) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (b), in classes established pursuant to subdivision (a), (b), or (c) of Section 52165, not more than two-thirds nor less than one-third of the pupils shall be pupils of limited English proficiency. The remaining proportion of pupils in the class shall be pupils of fluent English proficiency. However, where there is documented evidence that these proportions cannot be met, the classroom proportions shall, at a minimum, reflect the proportion of the language proficiency classification for the particular grade level in the school and shall not result in segregation. Fluent-English-proficient pupils shall receive basic skills instruction in English and, to the extent possible, be achieving at the district norm.
 - (2) In no event shall the primary purpose of the program be to teach a world language to English-speaking pupils.
 - (3) The state board shall adopt any necessary regulations governing this section within 90 days after January 1, 1981.
- (b) The classroom proportion specified in subdivision (a) may be modified for the purpose of providing effective instruction for all pupils in core academic subjects. Pupils of limited English proficiency participating in programs established pursuant to subdivision (a), (b), or (c) of Section 52165 shall receive instruction for at least 20 percent of the schoolday in classes in which the proportions specified in subdivision (a) are met, and shall receive instruction in classes with pupils of fluent English proficiency for an increased portion of the schoolday, as their English language skills increase.
- SEC. 26. Section 60119 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **60119.** (a) In order to be eligible to receive funds available for purposes of this article, the governing board of a school district shall take the following actions:
 - (1) (A) The governing board of a school district shall hold a public hearing or hearings at which the governing board shall encourage participation by parents, teachers, members of the community interested in the affairs of the school district, and bargaining unit leaders, and shall make a determination, through a resolution, as to whether each pupil in each school in the school district has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, that are aligned to the content standards adopted pursuant to Section 60605 or 60605.8 in each of the following subjects, as appropriate, that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the state board:
 - (i) Mathematics.
 - (ii) Science.
 - (iii) History-social science.

- (iv) English language arts, including the English language development component of an adopted program.
- (B) The public hearing shall take place on or before the end of the eighth week from the first day pupils attend school for that year. A school district that operates schools on a multitrack, year-round calendar shall hold the hearing on or before the end of the eighth week from the first day pupils attend school for that year on any tracks that begin a school year in August or September. For purposes of the 2004–05 fiscal year only, the governing board of a school district shall make a diligent effort to hold a public hearing pursuant to this section on or before December 1, 2004.
- (C) As part of the hearing required pursuant to this section, the governing board of a school district also shall make a written determination as to whether each pupil enrolled in a world language or health course has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum frameworks adopted by the state board for those subjects. The governing board of a school district also shall determine the availability of laboratory science equipment as applicable to science laboratory courses offered in grades 9 to 12, inclusive. The provision of the textbooks, instructional materials, or science equipment specified in this subparagraph is not a condition of receipt of funds provided by this subdivision.
- (2) (A) If the governing board of a school district determines that there are insufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, the governing board shall provide information to classroom teachers and to the public setting forth, in the resolution, for each school in which an insufficiency exists, the percentage of pupils who lack sufficient standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials in each subject area and the reasons that each pupil does not have sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, and take any action, except an action that would require reimbursement by the Commission on State Mandates, to ensure that each pupil has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, within two months of the beginning of the school year in which the determination is made.
 - (B) In carrying out subparagraph (A), the governing board of a school district may use moneys in any of the following funds:
 - (i) Any funds available for textbooks or instructional materials, or both, from categorical programs, including any funds allocated to school districts that have been appropriated in the annual Budget Act.
 - (ii) Any funds of the school district that are in excess of the amount available for each pupil during the prior fiscal year to purchase textbooks or instructional materials, or both.
 - (iii) Any other funds available to the school district for textbooks or instructional materials, or both.
- (b) The governing board of a school district shall provide 10 days' notice of the public hearing or hearings set forth in subdivision (a). The notice shall contain the time, place, and purpose of the hearing and shall be posted in three public places in the school district. The hearing shall be held at a time that will encourage the attendance of teachers and parents and guardians of pupils who attend the schools in the school district and shall not take place during or immediately following school hours.
- (c) (1) For purposes of this section, "sufficient textbooks or instructional materials" means that each pupil, including English learners, has a standards-aligned textbook or instructional materials, or both, to use in class and to take home. This paragraph does not require two sets of textbooks or instructional materials for each pupil. The materials may be in a digital format as long as each pupil, at a minimum, has and can access the same materials in the class and to take home, as all other pupils in the same class or course in the school district and has the ability to use and access them at home.
 - (2) Sufficient textbooks or instructional materials as defined in paragraph (1) do not include photocopied sheets from only a portion of a textbook or instructional materials copied to address a shortage.
- (d) The governing board of a school district that receives funds for instructional materials from any state source is subject to the requirements of this section.
- (e) For the purpose of transitioning to instructional materials that are aligned with the common core academic content standards, it is the intent of the Legislature that textbooks, instructional materials, and supplemental instructional materials be deemed to be aligned with the content standards pursuant to subdivisions (a) and (c), and be deemed consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the state board pursuant to subdivision (a) if the textbooks, instructional materials, supplemental instructional materials, or a combination of any such materials are aligned to the content standards adopted pursuant to Section 60605 or 60605.8.
- SEC. 26.5. Section 60119 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **60119.** (a) In order to be eligible to receive funds available for purposes of this article, the governing board of a school district shall take the following actions:

- (1) (A) The governing board of a school district shall hold a public hearing or hearings at which the governing board shall encourage participation by parents, teachers, members of the community interested in the affairs of the school district, and bargaining unit leaders, and shall make a determination, through a resolution, as to whether each pupil in each school in the school district has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, that are aligned to the content standards adopted by the state board in each of the following subjects, as appropriate, that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the state board:
 - (i) Mathematics.
 - (ii) Science.
 - (iii) History-social science.
 - (iv) English language arts, including the English language development component of an adopted program.
 - (B) The public hearing shall take place on or before the end of the eighth week from the first day pupils attend school for that year. A school district that operates schools on a multitrack, year-round calendar shall hold the hearing on or before the end of the eighth week from the first day pupils attend school for that year on any tracks that begin a school year in August or September.
 - (C) As part of the hearing required pursuant to this section, the governing board of a school district also shall make a written determination as to whether each pupil enrolled in a world language or health course has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum frameworks adopted by the state board for those subjects. The governing board of a school district also shall determine the availability of laboratory science equipment as applicable to science laboratory courses offered in grades 9 to 12, inclusive. The provision of the textbooks, instructional materials, or science equipment specified in this subparagraph is not a condition of receipt of funds provided by this subdivision.
- (2) (A) If the governing board of a school district determines that there are insufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, the governing board shall provide information to classroom teachers and to the public setting forth, in the resolution, for each school in which an insufficiency exists, the percentage of pupils who lack sufficient standards-aligned textbooks or instructional materials in each subject area and the reasons that each pupil does not have sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, and take any action, except an action that would require reimbursement by the Commission on State Mandates, to ensure that each pupil has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, within two months of the beginning of the school year in which the determination is made.
 - (B) In carrying out subparagraph (A), the governing board of a school district may use moneys in any of the following funds:
 - (i) Any funds available for textbooks or instructional materials, or both, from categorical programs, including any funds allocated to school districts that have been appropriated in the annual Budget Act.
 - (ii) Any funds of the school district that are in excess of the amount available for each pupil during the prior fiscal year to purchase textbooks or instructional materials, or both.
 - (iii) Any other funds available to the school district for textbooks or instructional materials, or both.
- (b) The governing board of a school district shall provide 10 days' notice of the public hearing or hearings set forth in subdivision (a). The notice shall contain the time, place, and purpose of the hearing and shall be posted in three public places in the school district. The hearing shall be held at a time that will encourage the attendance of teachers and parents and guardians of pupils who attend the schools in the school district and shall not take place during or immediately following school hours.
- (c) (1) For purposes of this section, "sufficient textbooks or instructional materials" means that each pupil, including English learners, has a standards-aligned textbook or instructional materials, or both, to use in class and to take home. This paragraph does not require two sets of textbooks or instructional materials for each pupil. The materials may be in a digital format as long as each pupil, at a minimum, has and can access the same materials in the class and to take home, as all other pupils in the same class or course in the school district and has the ability to use and access them at home.
 - (2) Sufficient textbooks or instructional materials as defined in paragraph (1) do not include photocopied sheets from only a portion of a textbook or instructional materials copied to address a shortage.
- (d) The governing board of a school district that receives funds for instructional materials from any state source is subject to the requirements of this section.

(e) For the purpose of transitioning to instructional materials that are aligned with the common core academic content standards and science content standards, it is the intent of the Legislature that textbooks, instructional materials, and supplemental instructional materials be deemed to be aligned with the content standards pursuant to subdivisions (a) and (c), and be deemed consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the state board pursuant to subdivision (a) if the textbooks, instructional materials, supplemental instructional materials, or a combination of any such materials are aligned to the content standards adopted pursuant to Section 60605 or 60605.8, or former Section 60605.85, as that section read on June 30, 2014.

SEC. 27. Section 60603 of the Education Code is amended to read:

60603. As used in this chapter:

- (a) "Achievement level descriptors" means a narrative description of the knowledge, skills, and processes expected of pupils at different grade levels and at different performance levels on achievement tests.
- (b) "Achievement test" means any summative standardized test that measures the level of performance that a pupil has achieved on state-adopted content standards.
- (c) "California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP)" means the comprehensive assessment system, inclusive of consortium-developed assessments, that has the primary purpose of modeling and promoting high-quality teaching and instruction using a variety of assessment approaches and item types.
- (d) "Census administration" means a test administration in which all pupils take comparable assessments of the same content and where results of individual performance are appropriate and meaningful to parents, pupils, and teachers.
- (e) "Computer-adaptive assessment" means a computer-based test that utilizes a computer program to adjust the difficulty of test items throughout a testing session based on a test taker's responses to previous test items during that testing session.
- (f) "Computer-based assessment" means a test administered using an electronic computing device.
- (g) "Consortium" means a multistate collaborative organized to develop a comprehensive system of assessments or formative tools such as described in Section 60605.7.
- (h) "Constructed-response questions" means a type of assessment item that requires pupils to construct their own answers.
- (i) "Content standards" means the specific academic knowledge, skills, and abilities that all public schools in this state are expected to teach, and all pupils are expected to learn, in reading, writing, mathematics, history-social science, world languages, visual and performing arts, and science, at each grade level tested.
- (j) "Diagnostic assessment" means an assessment of particular knowledge or skills a pupil has or has not yet achieved for the purpose of informing instruction and making placement decisions.
- (k) "End of course examination" means a comprehensive and challenging assessment of pupil achievement in a particular subject area or discipline.
- (I) "Field test" means an assessment or assessment items administered to a representative sample of a population to ensure that the test or item produces results that are valid, reliable, and fair.
- (m) "Formative assessment tools" means assessment tools and processes that are embedded in instruction and used by teachers and pupils to provide timely feedback for purposes of adjusting instruction to improve learning.
- (n) "High-quality assessment" means an assessment designed to measure a pupil's knowledge of, understanding of, and ability to apply, critical concepts through the use of a variety of item types and formats, including, but not necessarily limited to, items that allow for constructed responses and items that require the completion of performance tasks. A high-quality assessment should have the following characteristics:
 - (1) Enable measurement of pupil achievement and pupil growth to the extent feasible.
 - (2) Be of high technical quality by being valid, reliable, fair, and aligned to standards.
 - (3) Incorporate technology where appropriate.
 - (4) Include the assessment of pupils with disabilities and English learners.
 - (5) Use, to the extent feasible, universal design principles, as defined in Section 3 of the federal Assistive Technology Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. Sec. 3002) in its development and administration.

- (o) "Interim assessment" means an assessment that is designed to be given during the school year to evaluate a pupil's knowledge and skills relative to specific academic standards in order to provide timely feedback, used in combination with other sources of information teachers have about their pupils' progress, for purposes of continually adjusting instruction to improve learning, and that produces results that can be aggregated by classroom, course, grade level, or school.
- (p) "Local educational agency" means a county office of education, school district, state special school, or direct-funded charter school as described in Section 47651.
- (q) "Matrix sampling" means administering different portions of a single assessment to different groups of pupils for the purpose of sampling a broader representation of content and reducing testing time.
- (r) "Performance standards" are standards that define various levels of competence at each grade level in each of the curriculum areas for which content standards are established. Performance standards gauge the degree to which a pupil has met the content standards and the degree to which a school or school district has met the content standards.
- (s) "Performance tasks" are a collection of questions or activities that relate to a single scenario that include pupil interaction with stimulus. Performance tasks are a means to assess more complex skills such as writing, research, and analysis.
- (t) "Personally identifiable information" includes a pupil's name and other direct personal identifiers, such as the pupil's identification number. Personally identifiable information also includes indirect identifiers, such as the pupil's address and personal characteristics, or other information that would make the pupil's identity easily traceable through the use of a single or multiple data sources, including publicly available information.
- (u) "Population sampling" means administering assessments to a representative sample of pupils instead of the entire pupil population. The sample of pupils shall be representative in terms of various pupil subgroups, including, but not necessarily limited to, English learners and pupils with disabilities.
- (v) "Recently arrived English learner" means a pupil designated as an English learner who is in his or her first 12 months of attending a school in the United States.
- (w) "State-determined assessment calendar" means the scheduling of assessments, exclusive of those subject area assessments listed in subdivision (b) of Section 60640, over several years on a predetermined schedule. Content areas and grades shall only be assessed after being publicly announced at least two school years in advance of the assessment.
- (x) "Summative assessment" means an assessment designed to be given near the end of the school year to evaluate a pupil's knowledge and skills relative to a specific set of academic standards.
- SEC. 28. Section 60605.3 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **60605.3.** (a) On or before June 1, 2009, the state board shall adopt content standards, pursuant to recommendations developed by the Superintendent, for teaching world languages in kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive.
- (b) The content standards shall support the goals of Section 51212 and subdivision (c) of Section 51220 by including all of the following:
 - (1) A summary of the language goals which recognizes that instruction may begin in elementary or secondary school.
 - (2) A description of individual language skills that should be taught and attained at each level.
 - (3) Course content that is aligned with findings from research on second language acquisition and education.
 - (4) Course content that is aligned with the admission requirements for the California State University and the University of California.
- (c) The content standards may be used by school districts to develop language programs and course assessments but are not mandatory.
- SEC. 29. Section 66081 of the Education Code is amended to read:
- **66081.** "Instructional faculty," for purposes of this article, means every member of an institution of public higher education, other than visiting faculty, but including graduate teaching assistants, who teach one or more undergraduate credit courses at a campus of that institution within this state except courses that are designed to be taught predominantly in a world language, and elective, special arrangement courses, such as individualized instruction and independent study courses.

- **SEC. 30.** Nothing in this act shall be construed to require local educational agencies to make modifications to their language programs.
- **SEC. 31.** Section 26.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 60119 of the Education Code proposed by both this bill and Senate Bill 816. That section of this bill shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2019, (2) each bill amends Section 60119 of the Education Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after Senate Bill 816, in which case Section 26 of this bill shall not become operative.