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SB-1487 Commission on Teacher Credentialing: survey: teacher resignations. (2021-2022)



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Senate Bill No. 1487

CHAPTER 924

An act to add Section 44223 to the Education Code, relating to teachers.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1487, Rubio. Commission on Teacher Credentialing: survey: teacher resignations.

Existing law establishes minimum requirements for the issuance of teaching credentials by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, as provided, including satisfactory completion of a program of an accredited professional preparation program.

This bill would require the commission and the State Department of Education to develop a survey no later than July 1, 2023, for purposes of collecting data from teachers of local educational agencies resigning their positions or electing not to accept a teaching assignment for the upcoming school year, including data on whether or not they are exiting the profession. The bill would encourage a local educational agency, on and after the commencement of the 2023-24 school year, to administer the survey within 15 days of a teacher of the local educational agency resigning their position or electing not to accept a teaching assignment for the upcoming school year. The bill would authorize the commission and the department to use existing resources in developing the survey, as provided. The bill would encourage local educational agencies to report the results of these surveys to the commission on an annual basis. The bill would, upon appropriation of funds for this purpose by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act or in another statute, require the commission to work with the department to prepare an annual report that compiles the data from the surveys, submit the report to the State Department of Education and the Legislature, and post the report on its internet website.

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

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

SECTION 1. Section 44223 is added to the Education Code, to read:

- 44223. (a) (1) The commission and the department shall develop a survey no later than July 1, 2023, for purposes of collecting data from teachers of local educational agencies resigning their positions or electing not to accept a teaching assignment for the upcoming school year, including data on whether or not they are exiting the profession.
 - (2) In developing the survey pursuant to paragraph (1), the commission and the department shall gather input from education stakeholders.
- (b) On and after the commencement of the 2023-24 school year, a local educational agency is encouraged to administer the survey developed by the commission and the department within 15 days of a teacher of the local educational agency resigning

their position or electing not to accept a teaching assignment for the upcoming school year.

- (c) In developing the survey pursuant to subdivision (a), the commission and the department may use existing resources, including, but not limited to, the California School Climate, Health, and Learning Survey.
- (d) A local educational agency is encouraged to report the results of surveys administered pursuant to subdivision (b) to the commission on an annual basis.
- (e) (1) The commission shall work with the department to prepare an annual report that compiles the data provided pursuant to subdivision (d), submit the report to the department and the Legislature, and post the report on its internet website.
 - (2) A report to be submitted to the Legislature pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.
 - (3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be implemented only upon appropriation of funds for this purpose by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act or in another statute.
- (f) It is the intent of the Legislature that the data from the surveys shall be used to examine future statewide investments on teacher recruitment and retention efforts.
- (g) For purposes of this section, "local educational agency" means a school district, county office of education, or charter school maintaining kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive.