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AB-2567 Public postsecondary education: student housing: data collection: veterans. (2023-2024)

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Assembly Bill No. 2567

CHAPTER 921

An act to amend Section 66014.6 of the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2567, Mathis. Public postsecondary education: student housing: data collection: veterans.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, the California State University under the administration of the Trustees of the California State University, and the University of California under the administration of the Regents of the University of California as the 3 segments of public postsecondary education in the state. Existing law requires the office of the Chancellor of the California State University and the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, and requests the office of the President of the University of California, to require each of their respective campuses that provide campus-owned, campus-operated, or campus-affiliated student housing to collect and post on its external and internal internet websites, data on student housing, as specified.

This bill would require the office of the Chancellor of the California State University and the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, and request the office of the President of the University of California, to require each of their respective campuses that provide campus-owned, campus-operated, or campus-affiliated student housing to include additional information regarding students who are veterans, as defined, in the above-described data on student housing. To the extent the bill imposes additional duties on community college districts, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

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

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

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

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

SECTION 1. Section 66014.6 of the Education Code is amended to read:

66014.6. (a) The office of the Chancellor of the California State University and the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall, and the office of the President of the University of California is requested to, require each campus that provides campus-owned, campus-operated, or campus-affiliated student housing to post on its external and internal internet websites, at least twice each academic year, all of the following information:

(1) The number of enrolled students, and how many of those students are veterans.

(2) Existing campus housing stock, including, but not limited to, the number of available beds on campus.

(3) (A) The number of students on the campus housing waiting list, and how many of those students are veterans.

(B) The number of students that have removed themselves from the waiting list since the last report, and how many of those students are veterans.

(4) If available, the number of students who request campus-owned, campus-operated, or campus-affiliated student housing, and how many of those students are veterans.

(5) If available, the number of incoming freshmen, transfer students, and international students requiring campus-owned, campus-operated, or campus-affiliated student housing, and how many of those students are veterans.

(b) Data collected pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be collected by the department or center on campus that is tasked with providing on-campus and off-campus housing assistance to students.

(c) (1) The office of the Chancellor of the California State University and the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall, and the office of the President of the University of California is requested to, submit an annual report with the information described in subdivision (a) to the Legislature, with the first report being due on or before October 15, 2023.

(2) The office of the Chancellor of the California State University and the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall, and the office of the President of the University of California is requested to, submit one report that compiles all of the campus data collected pursuant to subdivision (a).

(3) A report to be submitted pursuant to this subdivision shall be submitted in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government Code.

(d) For purposes of this section, "veteran" has the same meaning as that term is defined in Section 980 of the Military and Veterans Code.

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