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SB-609 Local control and accountability plans: California School Dashboard. (2023-2024)

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Senate Bill No. 609

CHAPTER 494

An act to amend Section 52065 of the Education Code, relating to school accountability.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 609, Caballero. Local control and accountability plans: California School Dashboard.

Existing law requires the governing boards of school districts and county boards of education to adopt local control and accountability plans using a state template adopted by the State Board of Education. Existing law requires the local control and accountability plan to include, among other things, a description of annual goals for all pupils and specified subgroups of pupils to be achieved for each state priority, as specified, including, among other state priorities, school climate, as measured by, among other things, suspension and expulsion rates. Existing law requires a superintendent of a school district, a county superintendent of schools, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction to post local control and accountability plans, as specified, to various internet websites, as provided.

Existing law requires the State Department of Education, in collaboration with, and subject to the approval of, the executive director of the state board, to develop and maintain the California School Dashboard, a web-based system for publicly reporting performance data on the state and local indicators included in the evaluation rubrics.

This bill would eliminate the provision that requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to post local control and accountability plans. The bill would require school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools to post the current school year's local control and accountability plans, as provided, on the California School Dashboard, as described, and would require the department to notify those local educational agencies of, and to ensure that those local educational agencies meet, that requirement. By imposing additional duties on local educational agencies, 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 52065 of the Education Code is amended to read:

52065. (a) The superintendent of a school district shall do both of the following:

(1) Prominently post on the homepage of the internet website of the school district any local control and accountability plan approved by the governing board of the school district and the county superintendent of schools, and any updates, revisions, or addenda, including those to comply with federal law, to a local control and accountability plan approved by the governing board of the school district.

(2) Prominently post all local control and accountability plans submitted by charter schools that were authorized by the school district, or links to those plans, and any updates, revisions, or addenda, including those to comply with federal law, on the internet website of the school district.

(b) A county superintendent of schools shall do both of the following:

(1) Prominently post on the homepage of the internet website of the county office of education any local control and accountability plan approved by the county board of education and the Superintendent, and any updates, revisions, or addenda, including those to comply with federal law, to a local control and accountability plan approved by the county board of education.

(2) Prominently post all local control and accountability plans submitted by school districts and charter schools, or links to those plans, on the internet website of the county office of education.

(c) (1) (A) Each school district shall post the current school year's local control and accountability plan that has been adopted by the governing board of the school district pursuant to Section 52060, and that has been approved by the county superintendent of schools pursuant to Section 52070, on the performance overview portion of the California School Dashboard, established pursuant to subdivision (f) of Section 52064.5.

(B) Each county office of education shall post the current school year's local control and accountability plan that has been adopted by the county board of education pursuant to Section 52066, and that has been approved by the Superintendent pursuant to Section 52070.5, on the performance overview portion of the California School Dashboard, established pursuant to subdivision (f) of Section 52064.5.

(C) Each charter school shall post the current school year's local control and accountability plan that has been adopted by the governing body of the charter school pursuant to Section 47606.5, and submitted to its chartering authority and the county superintendent of schools, or only to the county superintendent of schools if the county board of education is the chartering authority, pursuant to Section 47606.5, on the performance overview portion of the California School Dashboard, established pursuant to subdivision (f) of Section 52064.5.

(2) The department shall notify each school district, county office of education, and charter school of the requirement to comply with the requirements of paragraph (1) and shall ensure that each school district, county office of education, and charter school has complied with the requirements of paragraph (1).

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.