
Introduced by Senator Denham

January 22, 2003

An act relating to education finance, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 76, as introduced, Denham. Education finance: California Community Colleges.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. Existing law authorizes the establishment of community college districts under the administration of community college governing boards, and authorizes these districts to provide instruction at community college campuses throughout the state.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to effectuate a recommendation of the Legislative Analyst's Office by funding 11 of the categorical programs of the California Community Colleges through 2 block grants in the 2003–04 fiscal year.

The bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares both of
- 2 the following:
- 3 (1) In its 2002–03 Budget Analysis, the Legislative Analyst's
- 4 Office (LAO) recommended that 11 of the categorical programs



1 of the California Community Colleges be funded through two
2 block grants. The two block grants would be for “Student
3 Services” and “Faculty and Staff Support,” respectively.

4 (2) The LAO noted that “different community college districts
5 face different demands for these programs” and that “block grants
6 would promote efficiency by allowing districts to allocate funding
7 among these programs in a way that best suits their needs, while
8 at the same time allowing the Legislature to specify an overall
9 level of funding for the general categories of student services and
10 faculty and staff support.”

11 (b) It is, therefore, the intent of the Legislature to effectuate this
12 recommendation in the 2003–04 fiscal year.

13 SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
14 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety
15 within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go
16 into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

17 In order to implement the Budget Act of 2003 at the earliest
18 possible time, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

