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Information

Legislative Committee

Status of Legislation

Executive Summary: Staff will present the status of legislative measures on which the Commission has adopted a position.

Recommended Action: For information only

Presenter: Mary Armstrong, Director, Office of Governmental Relations

Strategic Plan Goal: 2

Support policy development related to educator preparation, conduct and professional growth

- ◆ Inform key legislators and policy makers on issues and ideas relevant to the Commission's scope of action

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Status of Legislation

The *Status of Legislation* agenda item is brought to the Commission to provide updates on the status of bills on which the Commission has taken a position and on the Commission's sponsored bills. Bill updates are listed according to the position adopted by the Commission on each bill.

Sponsor

[AB 239\(Brownley\)](#) Teacher credentialing

Introduced: 02/06/2009

Last Amended: 06/16/2009

Status: 09/08/2009-Returned by the Governor at the request of the Assembly

Location: Assembly Enrollment

Summary: This Teacher Credentialing Omnibus Bill would:

1. Authorize the Commission to issue an English Learner (EL) authorization to an applicant who possesses a valid teaching credential and who holds specified EL certificates issued by the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS).
2. Allow District Intern Programs to continue to offer Education Specialist Credentials in all areas of special education by deleting the January 1, 2010 sunset date.
3. Require the Commission to issue a clear teaching or services credential authorizing service in the area in which the person has received NBPTS certification rather than the current limit to multiple subject, single subject and education specialist teaching credentials.

[SB 512\(Committee on Education\)](#) Education

Introduced: 02/26/2009

Last Amended: 06/01/2009

Location: Chaptered by the Secretary of State (Chap. 53, Stats. 2009)

Summary: This bill will update references to the Commission in California Education Code. The bill will also update cross-references, delete obsolete provisions, and make other technical, non-substantive changes to the Education Code.

[SB 751\(Romero\)](#) Teacher credentials

Introduced: 02/27/2009

Last Amended: 06/24/2009

Location: Senate Enrollment

Summary: This bill would:

1. Authorize the Commission to issue a multiple subject, single subject, or education specialist teaching credential to a teacher prepared in a country other than the United

States who has earned a valid corresponding elementary, secondary, or special education teaching credential in another state and who meets specified requirements.

2. Require a school district, county office of education, or charter school that provides examination preparation courses for the purposes of preparing credential holders to demonstrate subject matter knowledge for an additional authorization to meet specified requirements, and would also authorize those local educational entities to contract with other entities for services to provide examination preparation courses.

Support

AB 364(Torlakson) California After School Teacher Pipeline Program

Introduced: 02/23/2009

Last Amended:

Location: Assembly Appropriations Suspense File

Summary: This bill would establish the California After School Teacher Pipeline Program, a pilot program, for the purpose of recruiting qualified after school instructors to participate in the California School Paraprofessional Teacher Training Program (PTTP). The bill would require the Commission to select up to 4 school districts or county offices of education receiving program funds under the PTTP to apply for pilot program funds. The bill would require the Commission to use \$150,000 annually transferred by the State Department of Education to award a grant to each selected applicant, not to exceed \$3,500 per pilot participant per year. The bill would require the Commission, before January 1, 2015 to report to the Legislature regarding the pilot program. The bill would make these provisions inoperative on July 1, 2016, and repeal them on January 1, 2017. The bill contains other related provisions not related to the Commission.

AB 544(Coto) Teaching credential: American Indian languages

Introduced: 02/25/2009

Last Amended: 07/08/2009

Location: Assembly Enrollment

Summary: This bill would require the Commission, upon recommendation by a tribal government of a federally recognized Indian tribe in California, to issue an American Indian Languages Credential to a candidate who has demonstrated fluency in that tribal language, and met other requirements. The bill would authorize the holder of an American Indian Languages Credential to teach the American Indian language for which the credential was issued in California public schools and would make the holder of that credential eligible for a clear teaching credential upon completion of a specified period of time and application and consultation, as specified.

AB 794(Hagman) Teacher credentialing: fees

Introduced: 02/26/2009

Last Amended: 04/14/2009

Location: Chaptered by the Secretary of State (Chap. 125, Stats. 2009)

Summary: This bill will require the Commission to waive all application and processing fees for the initial issuance of a teaching credential to an out-of-state applicant who relocates to California due to orders received from a branch of the United States Armed Forces that require the applicant's spouse to relocate to California.

AB 1025(Conway) Schools: employees and volunteers: Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate

Introduced: 02/27/2009

Last Amended: 08/31/2009

Location: Assembly Enrollment

Summary: This bill would, commencing on July 1, 2010, require a non-certificated candidate, prior to assuming a paid or volunteer position to supervise, direct, or coach a pupil activity program sponsored by, or affiliated with, a school district, to obtain from the Commission an Activity Supervisor Clearance Certificate upon verification of the candidate's personal identification and verification that he or she meets specified requirements. The bill would require that each certificate be issued initially for a period of 5 years and provide that it may be renewed. The bill would require the Commission to submit specified information relating to applicants to the Department of Justice to obtain state and federal criminal history information prior to the issuance of a certificate, as specified, and require the Commission to make the information available to the Department of Justice or the Federal Bureau of Investigation, upon request.

SB 19(Simitian) Education data

Introduced: 12/01/2008

Last Amended: 09/08/2009

Location: Senate Enrollment

Summary: This bill would require that data elements and codes included in the California Education Information System be maintained in compliance with any other applicable federal or state law that can be interpreted as protecting the privacy and confidentiality of individual pupils or certificated personnel. This bill contains other related provisions not related to the Commission.

Support if Amended

AB 148(Coto) Commission on Teacher Credentialing: study on transformational leadership

Introduced: 01/22/2009

Last Amend: 03/10/2009

Location: Senate Rules

Summary: This bill would require the Commission to conduct a one-year study to recommend more effective paths to transformational leadership, as defined, through the administrative services credentialing process for school principals and leaders. The bill would require the Commission to conduct the study between July 1, 2010, and June 30, 2011, and to report its findings to the Legislature by no later than December 31, 2011. The bill would repeal those provisions as of January 1, 2012.