## **Introduced by Assembly Member Sharp-Collins**

February 21, 2025

An act to add Section 84757.3 to the Education Code, relating to education finance.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1433, as introduced, Sharp-Collins. Education finance: funding: noncredit instruction.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. Existing law establishes community college districts throughout the state, and authorizes these districts to provide instruction at the community college campuses they operate and maintain. Existing law provides for a formula for the calculation of general purpose apportionments of state funds to community colleges. Existing law provides a separate formula for the allocation of apportionments of state funds to community colleges, which uses the numbers of full-time equivalent students as its basis, for use for apportionments for noncredit instruction and instruction in career development and college preparation. Existing law specific the noncredit courses, noncredit classes, and support services that are eligible for state apportionment.

This bill would require the board of governors to allocate base funding for designated categorical programs to noncredit colleges, as defined, and noncredit centers, as defined, that meet specified conditions. The bill would specify that the categorical programs eligible for those base funding allocations include, but are not limited to, disabled student

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programs and services, mental health services, and veteran resource centers. The bill would require the board of governors, in consultation with the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, to determine the methodology for allocating the base funding.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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

- SECTION 1. Section 84757.3 is added to the Education Code, 1 2 to read:
- 3 84757.3. (a) As used in this section, the following definitions 4
  - (1) "Noncredit center" means an educational center established and administered by a community college district that only provides noncredit instruction, classes, courses, and programs under Sections 84750.5 and 84757.
- (2) "Noncredit college" means an independently accredited 10 institution in a community college district that only provides noncredit instruction, classes, courses, and programs under Sections 12 84750.5 and 84757.
  - (b) The board of governors shall allocate base funding for designated categorical programs to a noncredit college when the noncredit college meets both of the following conditions:
  - (1) Has a president or equivalent executive administrator a community college district chancellor, to superintendent, or president, as applicable, with independent responsibility for the comprehensive operations of the community college district's noncredit programs.
  - (2) Provides basic needs programs, disabled students programs and services, or mental health programs with designated coordinators, directors, or deans.
  - (c) The board of governors shall allocate base funding for designated categorical programs to a noncredit center when the noncredit center meets all of the following conditions:
  - (1) The conditions described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (b).
- 29 (2) The governing board of the community college district plans 30 to continue operating the noncredit center for at least 10 years after 31 receiving funding under this section.

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- 1 (3) The board of governors approves the noncredit center to receive funding pursuant to this article.
  - (d) The categorical programs eligible for an allocation of base funding under this section shall include, but are not limited to, all of the following:
    - (1) Basic needs.

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- (2) Disabled students programs and services.
- 8 (3) Mental health services.
- 9 (4) The Student Equity and Achievement Program established 10 under Article 1.5 (commencing with Section 78220) of Chapter 2 11 of Part 48.
- 12 (5) Veteran resource centers, including those described in Section 41207.47.
- 14 (e) The board of governors, in consultation with the office of 15 the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, shall 16 determine the methodology for allocating base funding pursuant 17 to this section.