Introduced by Assembly Member Cervantes

February 19, 2019

An act to amend Section 66010 of the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 710, as introduced, Cervantes. Postsecondary education: segments.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, the California State University, the University of California, independent institutions of higher education, as defined, and private postsecondary educational institutions, as defined, as the segments of postsecondary education in this state. The missions and functions of these segments are set forth in the Donahoe Higher Education Act.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes in a provision that, for purposes of the Donahoe Higher Education Act, designates the segments of public postsecondary education as the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California, as specified, and defines independent institutions of higher education for these purposes.


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

1 SECTION 1. Section 66010 of the Education Code is amended to read:
66010. (a) Public higher education consists of all of the following: (1) the California Community Colleges, Colleges; (2) the California State University, and each campus, branch, and function thereof; and (3) each campus, branch, and function of the University of California.

(b) As used in this part, “independent institutions of higher education” are those nonpublic higher education institutions that grant undergraduate degrees, graduate degrees, or both, and that are formed as nonprofit corporations in this state and are accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education.

(c) No provision of this part is intended to regulate, subsidize, or intrude upon private education, including, but not necessarily limited to, independent educational institutions and religious schools, nor to vary existing state law or state constitutional provisions relating to private education.