An act to add Section 94880.3 to, and to add Article 0.7 (commencing with Section 78010) to Chapter 1 of Part 48 of Division 7 of Title 3 of, the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2009, as introduced, Cunningham. Postsecondary education: training for drivers of commercial trucks: human trafficking awareness training.

(1) Under existing law, the campuses of the California Community Colleges and private postsecondary educational institutions regulated by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education constitute 2 of the segments of postsecondary education in this state. The bureau’s authority to regulate private postsecondary educational institutions exists pursuant to the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009, which, under existing law, is to be repealed on January 1, 2021. Under existing law, the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges appoints the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to serve as the chief executive officer of the segment.

This bill would require, no later than July 1, 2021, the Chancellor’s Office of the California Community Colleges to enter into an agreement with an experienced provider of training for persons preparing for licensing and employment as professional commercial truck drivers for the development and provision of instructional material necessary to add human trafficking awareness training to the curriculum of students pursuing this course of study and to disseminate information about how
to obtain and use this instructional material to community colleges and private postsecondary educational institutions offering these programs, as specified.

The bill would also require the human trafficking awareness training developed under the bill to be incorporated into the curriculum of all community college programs that offer training for persons preparing for licensing and employment as commercial truck drivers as a required part of the training for all community college students commencing participation in these programs on or after January 1, 2022, and would require the chancellor’s office to biennially review and update this training, as specified. Because the bill would impose new duties on community college districts, it would constitute a state-mandated local program.

The bill, if the January 1, 2021, repeal date of the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 is postponed or eliminated, would require the institutions subject to regulation by the bureau that offer this commercial truck driver preparation to incorporate in their curricula this human trafficking awareness training, and would also require the bureau to biannually review and update this training, as specified.

(2) 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.


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

SECTION 1. Article 0.7 (commencing with Section 78010) is added to Chapter 1 of Part 48 of Division 7 of Title 3 of the Education Code, to read:

Article 0.7. Human Trafficking Awareness Training

(a) No later than July 1, 2021, the Chancellor’s Office of the California Community Colleges shall do both of the following:
(1) Enter into an agreement with an experienced provider of training for persons preparing for licensing and employment as professional commercial truck drivers for the development and provision of instructional material necessary to add human trafficking awareness training to the curriculum of students pursuing this course of study. This training shall be industry specific, and shall focus on the recognition, prevention, and reporting of human trafficking.

(2) Disseminate information about how to obtain and use the instructional material provided under paragraph (1) to each community college district and to each private postsecondary educational institution subject to Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 94800) of Part 59 of Division 10 that offers a program of training for persons preparing for licensing and employment as commercial truck drivers.

(b) The human trafficking awareness training developed under subdivision (a) shall be incorporated into the curriculum of all community college programs offering training for persons preparing for licensing and employment as commercial truck drivers as a required part of the training for all students commencing participation in these programs on or after January 1, 2022. The chancellor’s office, in conjunction with organizations that specialize in the recognition and prevention of human trafficking, shall biennially review and update the training to include material covering changes and trends in human trafficking.

SEC. 2. Section 94880.3 is added to the Education Code, to read:

94880.3. (a) The human trafficking awareness training developed pursuant to Section 78010 shall be incorporated into the curriculum of each private postsecondary educational institution subject to this chapter that offers training for persons preparing for licensing and employment as commercial truck drivers as a required part of the training for all students commencing participation in these programs on or after January 1, 2022.

(b) The bureau, in conjunction with organizations that specialize in the recognition and prevention of human trafficking, shall biennially review and update the training provided under this section to include material covering changes and trends in human trafficking.
SEC. 3. 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.