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AB 1433:

SUMMARY

AB 1433 will require the board of governors to allocate base funding for designated categorical programs to noncredit colleges and noncredit centers that meet certain conditions. The bill would specify that the categorical programs eligible for those base funding allocations include, but are not limited to, disabled student programs and services, mental health services, and veteran resource centers.

BACKGROUND

Under current law, colleges and centers that offer exclusively noncredit courses are not eligible for base funding of most categorical programs. These categorical programs are meant to provide wraparound services to students so that they can better complete their programs of education. The categorical programs support disabled students, students with mental health issues, veterans, and those with basic needs challenges.

These colleges and centers essentially act like independent institutions as they have a college president or provost that reports to the district chancellor or superintendent/president. Further, while base funding in the categorical programs is meant to support coordinators of the various programs, these institutions are not eligible for that funding even though they have designated coordinators, directors and/or deans that oversee these programs.

THIS BILL

This bill requires the board of governors to allocate base funding in basic needs, disabled students programs and services, mental health services, Student Equity and Achievement Program, and veteran resource centers categorical programs to designated noncredit colleges and centers.

The measure would require the colleges and centers to have coordinators, directors, and/or deans in the designated categorical programs in order to be eligible for the base funding allocation. Under the provisions of the bill, the board of governors could add additional categorical program base funding categories if they deemed it appropriate. Additionally, the board of governors would determine the methodology for which the allocation would be made

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