

California County Superintendents Educational Services Association

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SB 3- LCAP Portal (Caballero)

Presenter: Lindsay Tornatore

Item Type: Discussion

Recommendation: That the Board review and discuss staff's recommendation to the Legislative Committee to move SB 3 from "watch" to "oppose".

Background: CCSESA has been tracking this bill due to the implications that the proposed legislation would have on the LCAP and California's accountability system. Previously the Legislative Committee has taken a "watch" stance and asked CCSESA staff to engage with the author's and co-sponsors' offices as well as submit a letter of concern. The LCAP & Fiscal Advisory Committee have analyzed this bill and developed a list of concerns that are reflected in our letter and were discussed during staff's meeting with the author's office. Read our full letter of concern here. CCSESA's three primary concerns are:

- 1. SB 3 contradicts California's current accountability system that is based on capacity building and local control.
- 2. New efforts are already underway to provide a greater level of fiscal transparency and accountability in the LCAP.
- 3. SB 3 may not provide the intended levels of transparency or accountability as desired by this bill.

CCSESA staff has continued to engage with the author's and co-sponsors' offices to glean their reactions to our letter. So far neither group has showed a willingness to amend the proposed bill in a manner that would alleviate any of our concerns. Staff will make a recommendation to the Legislative Committee to move from "watch" to "oppose" if discussions with the author's and cosponsors' offices do not change direction.

This bill:

<u>SB 3</u> proposes several changes to the LCAP, most notably, it would require a change to LEAs' reporting of their supplemental and concentration dollars and would create a searchable data base that lawmakers could use to compare these reported expenditures between LEAs' LCAPs. The proposed requirements are:

- Require the CDE to develop, on or before July 1, 2023, a local control and accountability
 plan portal that will allow comprehensive analysis by policymakers of actions, expenditures,
 and progress on metrics included within local control and accountability plans adopted by
 local educational agencies.
- The bill would require the portal to include a tracking mechanism for school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools to use to report the types of services on which they spend their supplemental and concentration grant funds.



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- Commencing January 1, 2024, the bill would require each local educational agency to annually report to the CDE the types of services on which it spends its supplemental and concentration grant funds using the portal developed by the department.
- The bill would require the department to make corresponding changes to the Local Control and Accountability Plan Electronic Template System, as specified.
- By imposing additional duties on local educational agencies, the bill would impose a statemandated local program.

This bill is authored by Senator Caballero and co-sponsored by Teach Plus and Children Now.

Attachment: CCSESA Letter of Concern-SB 3