SB 173 (Liu): Education funding: adult health and safety education.

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Summary

(1) Existing law establishes the State Department of Education, under the administration of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to execute numerous statutes and policies relating to the funding and governance of public elementary and secondary schools throughout the state. Existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district maintaining secondary schools to establish and maintain classes for adults, as specified.

This bill would require the department, in conjunction with the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, to coordinate and issue assessment policy guidelines regarding assessments to be used by school districts and community college districts for purposes of placement in adult education courses offered by those districts. The bill would also require the department and the chancellor’s office to jointly establish and implement a comprehensive performance accountability system for adult education
courses offered by school districts and community college districts in accordance with prescribed requirements.

(2) Existing law authorizes specified classes and courses to be offered by school districts and county superintendents of schools for purposes of apportionments from the adult education fund.

This bill would delete the existing authorization for adult programs in parenting, home economics, and health and safety education, and adult programs for older adults, to receive apportionments from the adult education fund.

(3) Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, as one of the segments of public postsecondary education in this state. Existing law requires specified noncredit community college courses and classes to be eligible for program-based funding from the state. Existing law requires community college districts to charge students a designated enrollment fee, and authorizes community college districts to charge students specified fees relating to, among other things, health services, parking, transportation, student body center buildings and operations, and physical education courses requiring the use of nondistrict facilities. Existing law also prohibits an adult enrolled in a noncredit course from being required to pay a fee of any kind for a class in English and citizenship for foreigners.

This bill would delete the authorization for noncredit community college parenting, older adults, home economics, and health and safety education courses and classes to receive program-based funding from the state. This bill would authorize the governing board of a community college district to charge a fee for adult education courses, other than classes in English and citizenship, in accordance with specified regulations and procedures.

(4) The bill would require the Commission on Teacher Credentialing and the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges to jointly develop and submit recommendations to specified policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature for modifying or establishing reciprocity standards for instructors of adult education courses by July 1, 2014.