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1 [Supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 912 (Jones-Sawyer) - The SAFE Act]

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3 **Resolution supporting California State Assembly Bill No. 912, The SAFE Act, authored**  
4 **by Assembly Member Reggie Jones-Sawyer, to reinvest prison closure savings into**  
5 **community crime reduction programs.**

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7 WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. 912 (AB 912), the Strategic Anti-Violence Funding  
8 Efforts Act, also known as the SAFE Act, authored by Assembly Member Reggie Jones-  
9 Sawyer, will reinvest cost savings from prison closures into programs that reduce violence,  
10 provide diversion opportunities, and deliver critical community supports including mental  
11 health, education, and vocational services; and

12 WHEREAS, On December 6, 2022, the California Department of Corrections and  
13 Rehabilitation (CDCR) announced the closure and deactivation of two additional prisons and  
14 with the closure of these facilities, the California Legislative Analyst’s Office (LAO) estimates  
15 an annual cost savings of \$235.3 million; and

16 WHEREAS, Reductions in the prison population are the direct result of the State  
17 Legislature’s advancement of sensible legislation and budget items to improve public safety,  
18 and advance justice and equity; and

19 WHEREAS, Rather than returning to the General Fund, it is imperative these savings  
20 are kept within the State Legislature’s crime prevention budget and reinvested into effective  
21 strategies proven to further reduce crime and violence; and

22 WHEREAS, Studies have shown health-based approaches have been successful in  
23 curbing violence through applied, skill-based prevention programs and addressing youth  
24 mental health and adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) is crucial in mitigating long-term  
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1 effects, such as substance abuse, mental illness, chronic health problems, and criminality;  
2 and

3 WHEREAS, Existing programs have been successful in providing crucial resources  
4 and early intervention to youth throughout California; and

5 WHEREAS, For instance, Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma in Schools  
6 (CBITS) is a nationally-recognized skills-based group intervention to relieve PTSD symptoms,  
7 depression, and general anxiety among children exposed to trauma; Children are taught skills  
8 to deal with stress such as relaxation, cognitive restructuring, and social problem-solving; and

9 WHEREAS, Because CBITS has shown consistent success in deterring violence  
10 through early intervention, it is crucial that the program is expanded to the top six counties  
11 with the highest homicide rates; specifically, CBITS has consistently helped reduce symptoms  
12 of depression among students and students who participated earlier in the intervention  
13 academically surpassed those who engaged later; and

14 WHEREAS, First established in 2018, the Youth Reinvestment Grant (YRG) provides  
15 funds to local agencies and Native American tribes to implement culturally relevant, trauma-  
16 informed diversion programs for minors and since then, nearly \$60 million has been  
17 committed to agencies and tribes throughout the state, proving to yield effective results; and

18 WHEREAS, For instance, CARAS: Project Evolve's YRG-funded initiative saw a 67%  
19 reduction in youth arrests from 2019 to 2021, far exceeding the program's initial 30%  
20 reduction goal; and

21 WHEREAS, Further, evidence-based, focused deterrence programs that engage high-  
22 risk individuals susceptible to committing violence or reoffending have proven to reduce  
23 violence; For example, Oakland's Ceasefire strategy partners local government with  
24 community organizations to provide tailored services to support high-risk individuals in  
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1 stepping away from violence and within a five-year span, Oakland experienced a 43%  
2 reduction in homicides and a 50% reduction in non-fatal shootings; and

3 WHEREAS, Creating safe spaces during peak times of violence has also played a  
4 crucial role in prevention and diversion; for example, the Summer Night Lights, a component  
5 of the Gang Reduction & Youth Development (GRYD) Comprehensive Strategy in Los  
6 Angeles, provides extended programming, sports leagues, and spaces for recreation,  
7 employment opportunities, and access to local resources and as shown with the success of  
8 GRYD's Summer Night Lights, recreation and health-based opportunities are an essential part  
9 of reinvesting in communities impacted by violence; and

10 WHEREAS, The SAFE Act, is a comprehensive measure reinvests cost savings from  
11 prison closures into programs that reduce violence, provide diversion opportunities, and  
12 deliver critical community supports including mental health, education and vocational services;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, The SAFE Act calls for the reallocation of the \$235 million in annual  
15 savings from the proposed closure of two prisons in the 2023-24 state budget and those funds  
16 will go to the following programs:

- 17 1) \$50 million annually to relocate the Youth Reinvestment Grant Program from the  
18 Board of State and Community Corrections to the Office of Youth and Community  
19 Restoration with grants available for local jurisdictions and California tribes for  
20 trauma-informed diversion programs for minors;
- 21 2) \$35 million annually to the Department of Justice for the purpose of programs that  
22 reduce gang violence and gang involvement, modeled after successful programs  
23 like Ceasefire in Oakland that resulted in a 43% reduction in homicides and a 50%  
24 reduction in non-fatal shootings;

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- 1           3) \$50 million annually to the State Department of Public Health, in consultation with  
2           the State Department of Education, to provide operational grants to School-based  
3           Health Centers and provide health and mental health services to children on school  
4           sites;
- 5           4) \$50 million annually to the California Health and Human Services Agency to support  
6           a pilot program for Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma in Schools (CBITS)  
7           in Alameda, Fresno, Merced, Tulane, Kern and Los Angeles; this program supports  
8           early trauma-informed interventions for school-aged children experiencing extreme  
9           traumatic events in support of their health, well-being and community stability;
- 10          5) \$50 million annually to the Department of Parks and Recreation in support of grants  
11          to local governments and community-based organizations to create new parks and  
12          fund recreation and health-based opportunities during peak times of violence; now,  
13          therefore, be it

14           RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors hereby supports California  
15          Assembly Bill No. 912 and urges the California State Legislature to pass this bill to reinvest  
16          cost savings from prison closures into programs that reduce violence, provide diversion  
17          opportunities, and deliver critical community supports including mental health, education, and  
18          vocational services; and, be it

19           FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the  
20          Board to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the California Senate President pro Tempore  
21          Toni Atkins, California Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon, California Public Safety  
22          Committee Chair and the Bill's primary sponsor Assembly Member Reginald Jones-Sawyer,  
23          California Assembly Appropriations Committee Chair Chris Holden, and Governor Gavin  
24          Newsom.

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 912**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Jones-Sawyer**

February 14, 2023

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An act to ~~add Article 13.7 (commencing with Section 33485) to Chapter 3 of Part 20 of Division 2 of Title 2 of the Education Code, to amend Section 124174.6 of the Health and Safety Code, to add Title 10.3 (commencing with Section 14138) to Part 4 of the Penal Code, to add Chapter 3.4 (commencing with Section 5660) to Division 5 of the Public Resources Code, and to amend Sections 1450, 1457, 1458, and 1459 of, and to add Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 2300) of Division 2.5 of, and to add and repeal Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 8270) of Division 8 of, and to repeal Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 1450) of Part 1 of Division 2 of, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to youth, and making an appropriation therefor.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 912, as amended, Jones-Sawyer. ~~Youth reinvestment. Strategic Anti-Violence Funding Efforts Act.~~

(1) Existing law establishes the Youth Reinvestment Grant Program within the Board of State and Community Corrections to grant funds, upon appropriation, to local jurisdictions and Indian tribes for the purpose of implementing trauma-informed diversion programs for minors, as specified.

~~This bill would instead place the Youth Reinvestment Grant Program within the Office of Youth and Community Restoration and would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to reflect the change in administering agency. repeal these provisions. The bill would reestablish~~

*the Youth Reinvestment Grant Program, to be administered by the Office of Youth and Community Restoration, for the purpose of implementing a mixed-delivery system of trauma-informed health and development diversion programs for youth, as specified. The bill would create the Youth Reinvestment Fund to be used, upon appropriation by the Legislature, by the office for the purposes of the program. The bill would require applicants for the program to be nongovernmental agencies or tribal governments, as specified. The bill would provide that an applicant under this program be awarded no less than \$50,000, and no more than \$2,000,000, and would specify the requirements of diversion programs to qualify for funding under these provisions. The bill would make an appropriation of \$50,000,000 from the General Fund to the Office of Youth and Community Restoration for awarding grants pursuant to the Youth Reinvestment Grant Program.*

(2) Existing law establishes, until January 1, 2025, the California Violence Intervention and Prevention Grant Program, administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections, to award competitive grants for the purpose of violence intervention and prevention.

This bill would establish the Department of Justice Violence Reduction Grant Program to be administered by the department for the purpose of supporting evidence-based, focus-deterrence collaborative programs that conduct outreach to targeted gangs and offer supportive services to preemptively reduce and eliminate violence and ~~gang involvement~~—gang involvement. *The bill would require the department to award grants on a competitive basis, with preference given to cities and local jurisdictions that are disproportionately impacted by violence and gang involvement. The bill would require the department to form a grant selection advisory committee, as specified. The bill would require grantees to report to the department, in a form and at intervals prescribed by the department, regarding the progress in achieving the grant objectives, and would require the department to report to the Legislature on the impact of violence prevention initiatives supported by the grant program. The bill would appropriate a sum of \$35,000,000 from the General Fund to the department for the grant program.*

(3) Existing law requires the governing board of a school district to give diligent care to the health and physical development of pupils and authorizes the governing board of a school district to employ properly certified persons for the work. Existing law requires a school of a school district or county office of education and a charter school to notify

pupils and parents or guardians of pupils no less than twice during the school year on how to initiate access to available pupil mental health services on campus or in the community, or both, as provided.

~~This bill would create a grant program under the State Department of Education to provide grants to K-12 school districts for the sole purpose of hiring social workers and mental health professionals to provide mental health services to pupils for the improvement in the health and well-being of the youth and school and community stability. The bill would appropriate \$50,000,000 from the General Fund to the State Department of Education for this grant program.~~

This bill would also establish within the California Health and Human Services Agency a 5-year pilot program to evaluate applications and award grants to schools located in the Counties of Alameda, Fresno, Merced, Tulare, Kern, and Los Angeles ~~for implementing~~ *to implement* the Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma in Schools (CBITS) program for the improvement in the health and well-being of the youth and school and community stability. *The bill would also require grants to be awarded to a research organization to conduct a study on the effects of the treatment, including any effect on subsequent criminality.* The bill would appropriate \$50,000,000 from the General Fund to the California Health and Human Services Agency for this grant program.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Counties of Alameda, Fresno, Merced, Tulare, Kern, and Los Angeles.

*(4) Existing law requires the State Department of Public Health, in cooperation with the State Department of Education, to establish a Public School Health Center Support Program, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to assist school health centers, which are defined as centers or programs, located at or near local educational agencies, that provide age-appropriate health care services at the program site or through referrals, as specified.*

*This bill would require the department to administer grants pursuant to this program beginning on or before January 1, 2025. The bill would appropriate \$50,000,000 from the General Fund to the State Department of Public Health for this grant program.*

~~(4)~~

(5) Existing law requires the Director of Parks and Recreation to establish the Outdoor Equity Grants Program to increase the ability of underserved and at-risk populations to participate in outdoor



environmental educational experiences at state parks and other public lands where outdoor environmental education programs take place.

This bill would create a grant program under the Department of Parks and Recreation to award grants to local governments and community-based organizations for the purpose of supporting existing and creating new parks and recreation opportunities and supporting existing and creating new summer programs for youth in order to create and enhance recreation- and health-based interventions for youth during peak times of violence. *The bill would require the department to develop criteria, procedures, and accountability measures to implement the grant program and to administer the grant program to ensure priority is given to underserved populations, as specified. The bill would require the department to give priority for funding to outdoor recreation- and health-based intervention programs during peak times of violence that primarily provide outreach to and serve youth who are impacted by violence and gang involvement in their communities. The bill would also require the department to annually report to the appropriate policy, budget, and fiscal committee of the Legislature regarding the effectiveness of the programs awarded funding in achieving the overall objectives of the grant program. The bill would appropriate \$50,000,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the grant program.*

Vote:  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes.  
 State-mandated local program: no.

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

1     SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the  
 2     Strategic Anti-Violence Funding Efforts Act, or SAFE Act.

3     SECTION 1.

4     SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

5     (a) The Legislative Analyst’s Office (LAO) estimates that  
 6     savings associated with the closure of prisons and Department of  
 7     Juvenile Justice (DJJ) facilities, as well as a declining population  
 8     of incarcerated persons, will total \$1.5 billion annually by 2025.

9     (b) On December 6, 2022, the California Department of  
 10    Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) announced the closure of  
 11    Chuckwalla Valley State Prison (CVSP) and exiting of California  
 12    City Correctional Facility (Cal City). CVSP will close by March

1 2025. CDCR will terminate the Cal City contract in March 2024  
2 and end the use of that facility as a state prison.

3 (c) The LAO estimates that savings associated with the closure  
4 of CVSP amounts to \$100 million in ongoing funds, and the exiting  
5 of Cal City amounts to \$135.3 million. Therefore, the closure of  
6 CVSP and exiting of Cal City amounts to a cost savings of \$235.3  
7 million annually.

8 (d) It is the intent of the Legislature to reinvest the CDCR cost  
9 savings from prison closures and declining incarcerated persons'  
10 populations to do all of the following:

11 (1) Expand the Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma  
12 in Schools (CBITS) program.

13 (2) Provide ongoing funding for the Youth Reinvestment Grant  
14 Fund.

15 (3) Create a fund to support existing and create new parks and  
16 recreation opportunities, as well as summer programs for youth.

17 ~~(4) Increase the number of social workers and mental health~~  
18 ~~professionals at K-12 schools. Provide operational grants to~~  
19 ~~school-based health centers in order to provide physical health~~  
20 ~~and mental health services to youth on school sites.~~

21 (5) Create a fund to support early intervention programs to  
22 reduce violence by mentoring “at-promise” individuals.

23 ~~SEC. 2. Article 13.7 (commencing with Section 33485) is~~  
24 ~~added to Chapter 3 of Part 20 of Division 2 of Title 2 of the~~  
25 ~~Education Code, to read:~~

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27 ~~Article 13.7. Mental Health Services Grants~~

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29 ~~33485. (a) The department shall award grants to K-12 school~~  
30 ~~districts for the sole purpose of hiring social workers and mental~~  
31 ~~health professionals to provide mental health services to pupils for~~  
32 ~~the improvement in the health and well-being of the youth and~~  
33 ~~school and community stability.~~

34 ~~(b) The department shall award grants on a competitive basis~~  
35 ~~and establish minimum standards, funding schedules, and~~  
36 ~~procedures for awarding grants that further the purpose of this~~  
37 ~~article.~~

38 ~~SEC. 3. Section 124174.6 of the Health and Safety Code is~~  
39 ~~amended to read:~~

1 124174.6. The department shall establish a grant program  
2 within the Public School Health Center Support Program to provide  
3 technical assistance, and funding for the expansion, renovation,  
4 and retrofitting of existing school health centers, and the  
5 development of new school health centers, in accordance with the  
6 following procedures and requirements:

7 (a) A school health center receiving grant funds pursuant to this  
8 section shall meet or have a plan to meet the following  
9 requirements:

10 (1) Strive to provide a comprehensive set of services including  
11 medical, oral health, mental health, health education, and related  
12 services in response to community needs.

13 (2) Provide primary and other health care services, provided or  
14 supervised by a licensed professional, which may include all of  
15 the following:

16 (A) Physical examinations, immunizations, and other preventive  
17 medical services.

18 (B) Diagnosis and treatment of minor injuries and acute medical  
19 conditions.

20 (C) Management of chronic medical conditions.

21 (D) Basic laboratory tests.

22 (E) Referrals to and followup for specialty care.

23 (F) Reproductive health services.

24 (G) Nutrition services.

25 (H) Mental health services provided or supervised by an  
26 appropriately licensed mental health professional may include:  
27 assessments, crisis intervention, counseling, treatment, and referral  
28 to a continuum of services including emergency psychiatric care,  
29 community support programs, inpatient care, and outpatient  
30 programs. School health centers providing mental health services  
31 as specified in this section shall consult with the local county  
32 mental health department for collaboration in planning and service  
33 delivery.

34 (I) Oral health services that may include preventive services,  
35 basic restorative services, and referral to specialty services.

36 (3) Work in partnership with the school nurse, if one is employed  
37 by the school or school district, to provide individual and family  
38 health education; school or districtwide health promotion; first aid  
39 and administration of medications; facilitation of student  
40 enrollment in health insurance programs; screening of students to

1 identify the need for physical, mental health, and oral health  
2 services; referral and linkage to services not offered onsite; public  
3 health and disease surveillance; and emergency response  
4 procedures. A school health center may receive grant funding  
5 pursuant to this section if the school or school district does not  
6 employ a school nurse. However, it is not the intent of the  
7 Legislature that a school health center serve as a substitute for a  
8 school nurse employed by a local school or school district.

9 (4) Have a written contract or memorandum of understanding  
10 between the school district and the health care provider or any  
11 other community providers that ensures coordination of services,  
12 ensures confidentiality and privacy of health information consistent  
13 with applicable federal and state laws, and integration of services  
14 into the school environment.

15 (5) Serve all registered students in the school regardless of  
16 ability to pay.

17 (6) Be open during all normal school hours, or on a more limited  
18 basis if resources are not available, or on a more expansive basis  
19 if dictated by community needs and resources are available.

20 (7) Establish protocols for referring students to outside services  
21 when the school health center is closed.

22 (8) Facilitate transportation between the school and the health  
23 center if the health center is not located on school or school district  
24 property.

25 (b) ~~Planning~~ *Beginning on or before January 1, 2025, planning*  
26 grants shall be available in amounts between twenty-five thousand  
27 dollars (\$25,000) and fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for a 6- to  
28 12-month period to be used for the costs associated with assessing  
29 the need for a school health center in a particular community or  
30 area, and developing the partnerships necessary for the operation  
31 of a school health center in that community or area. Applicants  
32 for planning grants shall be required to have a letter of interest  
33 from a school or district if the applicant is not a local education  
34 agency. Grantees provided funding pursuant to this subdivision  
35 shall be required to do all of the following:

36 (1) Seek input from students, parents, school nurses, school  
37 staff and administration, local health providers, and if applicable,  
38 special population groups, on community health needs, barriers to  
39 health care and the need for a school health center.

1 (2) Collect data on the school and community to estimate the  
2 percentage of students that lack health insurance and the percentage  
3 that are eligible for Medi-Cal benefits, or other public programs  
4 providing free or low-cost health services.

5 (3) Assess capacity and interest among health care providers in  
6 the community to provide services in a school health center.

7 (4) Assess the need for specific cultural or linguistic services  
8 or both.

9 (c) ~~Facilities~~ *Beginning on or before January 1, 2025, facilities*  
10 and startup grants shall be available in amounts between twenty  
11 thousand dollars (\$20,000) and two hundred fifty thousand dollars  
12 (\$250,000) per year for a three-year period for the purpose of  
13 establishing a school health center, with the potential addition of  
14 one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in the first year for  
15 facilities construction, purchase, or renovation. Grant funds may  
16 be used to cover a portion or all of the costs associated with  
17 designing, retrofitting, renovating, constructing, or buying a  
18 facility, for medical equipment and supplies for a school health  
19 center, or for personnel costs at a school health center. Preference  
20 will be given to proposals that include a plan for cost sharing  
21 among schools, health providers, and community organizations  
22 for facilities construction and renovation costs. Applicants for  
23 facilities and startup grants offered pursuant to this subdivision  
24 shall be required to meet the following criteria:

25 (1) Have completed a community assessment determining the  
26 need for a school health center.

27 (2) Have a contract or memorandum of understanding between  
28 the school district and the health care provider, if other than the  
29 district, and any other provider agencies describing the relationship  
30 between the district and the school health center.

31 (3) Have a mechanism, described in writing, to coordinate  
32 services to individual students among school and school health  
33 center staff while maintaining confidentiality and privacy of health  
34 information consistent with applicable state and federal laws.

35 (4) Have a written description of how the school health center  
36 will participate in the following:

37 (A) School and districtwide health promotion, coordinated  
38 school health, health education in the classroom or on campus,  
39 program/activities that address nutrition, fitness, or other important

1 public health issues, or promotion of policies that create a healthy  
2 school environment.

3 (B) Outreach and enrollment of students in health insurance  
4 programs.

5 (C) Public health prevention, surveillance, and emergency  
6 response for the school population.

7 (5) Have the ability to provide the linguistic or cultural services  
8 needed by the community. If the school health center is not yet  
9 able to provide these services due to resource limitations, the school  
10 health center shall engage in an ongoing assessment of its capacity  
11 to provide these services.

12 (6) Have a plan for maximizing available third-party  
13 reimbursement revenue streams.

14 (d) ~~Sustainability~~ *Beginning on or before January 1, 2025,*  
15 *sustainability* grants shall be available in amounts between  
16 twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) and one hundred  
17 twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) per year for a three-year  
18 period for the purpose of operating a school health center, or  
19 enhancing programming at a fully operational school health center,  
20 including oral health or mental health services. Applicants for  
21 sustainability grants offered pursuant to this subdivision shall be  
22 required to meet all of the criteria described in subdivision (c), in  
23 addition to both of the following criteria:

24 (1) The applicant shall be eligible to become or already be an  
25 approved Medi-Cal provider.

26 (2) The applicant shall have ability and procedures in place for  
27 billing public insurance programs and managed care providers.

28 (3) The applicant shall seek reimbursement and have procedures  
29 in place for billing public and private insurance that covers students  
30 at the school health center.

31 (e) The department shall award technical assistance grants  
32 through a competitive bidding process to qualified contractors to  
33 support grantees receiving grants under subdivisions (b), (c), and

34 (d). A qualified contractor means a vendor with demonstrated  
35 capacity in all aspects of planning, facilities development, startup,  
36 and operation of a school health center.

37 (f) The department shall also develop a request for proposal  
38 (RFP) process for collecting information on applicants, and  
39 determining which proposals shall receive grant funding. The

1 department shall give preference for grant funding to the following  
2 schools:

3 (1) Schools in areas designated as federally medically  
4 underserved areas or in areas with medically underserved  
5 populations.

6 (2) Schools with a high percentage of low-income and uninsured  
7 children and youth.

8 (3) Schools with large numbers of limited English proficient  
9 (LEP) students.

10 (4) Schools in areas with a shortage of health professionals.

11 (5) Low-performing schools with Academic Performance Index  
12 (API) rankings in the deciles of three and below of the state.

13 (g) Moneys shall be allocated to the department annually for  
14 evaluation to be conducted by an outside evaluator that is selected  
15 through a competitive bidding process. The evaluation shall  
16 document the number of grantees that establish and sustain school  
17 health centers, and describe the challenges and lessons learned in  
18 creating successful school health centers. The evaluator shall use  
19 data collected pursuant to Section 124174.3, if it is available, and  
20 work in collaboration with the Public School Health Center Support  
21 Program. The department shall post the evaluation on its ~~Internet~~  
22 ~~Web site.~~ *internet website.*

23 ~~(h) This section shall be implemented only to the extent that~~  
24 ~~funds are appropriated to the department in the annual Budget Act~~  
25 ~~or other statute for implementation of this article.~~

26 ~~SEC. 3.~~

27 ~~SEC. 4.~~ Title 10.3 (commencing with Section 14138) is added  
28 to Part 4 of the Penal Code, to read:

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30 TITLE 10.3. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE VIOLENCE  
31 REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM

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33 14138. (a) The Department of Justice shall administer a grant  
34 program for the purpose of ~~supporting evidence-based,~~  
35 ~~focus-deterrence collaborative programs that conduct outreach to~~  
36 ~~targeted gangs and offer supportive services to preemptively reduce~~  
37 ~~and eliminate violence and gang involvement. These collaborative~~  
38 ~~programs shall offer supportive services, which include job~~  
39 ~~training, healthcare, and crisis response to shootings and violence,~~  
40 ~~among other services.~~ *improving public safety and community*

1 *health and well-being, especially amongst those communities that*  
2 *are impacted by violence and gang involvement.*

3 ~~(b) The department shall award grants on a competitive basis~~  
4 ~~and establish minimum standards, funding schedules, and~~  
5 ~~procedures for awarding grants that further the purpose of this~~  
6 ~~chapter.~~

7 *(b) Grants awarded pursuant to this section shall be used to*  
8 *support, expand, and replicate evidence-based, focused-deterrence*  
9 *collaborative programs that conduct outreach to targeted gangs*  
10 *and offer supportive services in order to preemptively reduce and*  
11 *eliminate violence and gang involvement. These programs shall*  
12 *be primarily designed to reduce violent crimes by bringing together*  
13 *a collaborative partnership to communicate to individuals who*  
14 *are identified as having the highest risk of perpetrating or being*  
15 *victimized by violence or gang involvement in the near future that*  
16 *there are tailored services and support available to help them step*  
17 *away from violence. The supportive services shall include, but are*  
18 *not limited to, job training, health care, and crisis response to*  
19 *shootings and violence, among other services.*

20 *(c) Grants pursuant to this section shall be made on a*  
21 *competitive basis with preference to cities and local jurisdictions*  
22 *that are disproportionately impacted by violence and gang*  
23 *involvement, and to community-based organizations that serve the*  
24 *residents of those cities and local jurisdictions.*

25 *(d) An applicant for a grant pursuant to this section shall submit*  
26 *a proposal, in a form prescribed by the department, which shall*  
27 *include, but not be limited to, all of the following:*

28 *(1) Clearly defined and measurable objectives for the grant.*

29 *(2) A statement describing how the applicant proposes to use*  
30 *the grant to implement an evidence-based, focused-deterrence*  
31 *violence reduction initiative in accordance with this section.*

32 *(3) A statement describing how the applicant proposes to use*  
33 *the grant to enhance coordination of existing violence prevention*  
34 *and intervention programs and minimize duplication of services.*

35 *(4) Evidence indicating that the proposed violence reduction*  
36 *initiative would likely reduce the incidence of homicides, shootings,*  
37 *aggravated assaults, and gang involvement.*

38 *(e) In awarding grants pursuant to this section, the department*  
39 *shall give preference to applicants whose grant proposals*  
40 *demonstrate the greatest likelihood of reducing the incidence of*



1 violence and gang involvement in the applicant’s community,  
2 without contributing to mass incarceration.

3 (f) The amount of funds awarded to an applicant shall be  
4 commensurate with the scope of the applicant’s proposal and the  
5 applicant’s demonstrated need for additional resources to address  
6 violence in the applicant’s community.

7 (g) Each grantee shall commit a cash or in-kind contribution  
8 equivalent to the amount of the grant awarded under this section.

9 (h) Each city and other local jurisdiction that receives a grant  
10 pursuant to this section shall distribute no less than 50 percent of  
11 the grant funds to one or both of the following types of entities:

12 (1) Community-based organizations.

13 (2) Public agencies or departments that are primarily dedicated  
14 to community safety or violence prevention.

15 (i) The department shall form a grant selection advisory  
16 committee, including, without limitation, persons who have been  
17 impacted by violence, formerly incarcerated persons, and persons  
18 with direct experience in implementing evidence-based violence  
19 and gang involvement reduction initiatives, including initiatives  
20 that incorporate public health and community-based approaches.

21 (j) The department may use up to 7 percent of the funds  
22 appropriated for the program described in this section each year  
23 for the costs of administering the program, including, without  
24 limitation, the employment of personnel, providing technical  
25 assistance to grantees, and evaluation of violence and gang  
26 involvement reduction initiatives supported by the program  
27 pursuant to this section.

28 (k) Each grantee shall report to the department, in a form and  
29 at intervals prescribed by the department, their progress in  
30 achieving the grant objectives.

31 (l) The department shall, by no later than 90 days following the  
32 close of each grant cycle, prepare and submit a report to the  
33 Legislature in compliance with Section 9795 of the Government  
34 Code regarding the impact of the violence prevention initiatives  
35 supported by the program pursuant to this section.

36 (m) The department shall make evaluations of the grant program  
37 available to the public.

38 ~~SEC. 4.~~

39 SEC. 5. Chapter 3.4 (commencing with Section 5660) is added  
40 to Division 5 of the Public Resources Code, to read:

1 CHAPTER 3.4. PARKS AND RECREATION FOR YOUTH

2  
3 5660. (a) The department shall award grants to local  
4 governments and community-based organizations for the purpose  
5 of supporting existing and creating new parks and recreation  
6 opportunities, as well as supporting existing and creating new  
7 summer programs for youth, including, but not limited to, extended  
8 park hours and expanded programming for nighttime sports,  
9 educational activities, and visual and performing arts opportunities,  
10 in order to create and enhance recreation- and health-based  
11 interventions for youth during peak times of violence.

12 ~~(b) The department shall award grants on a competitive basis~~  
13 ~~and establish minimum standards, funding schedules, and~~  
14 ~~procedures for awarding grants that further the purpose of this~~  
15 ~~chapter.~~

16 *(b) In developing the grant program, the department shall do*  
17 *both of the following:*

18 *(1) Develop criteria, procedures, and accountability measures*  
19 *as may be necessary to implement the grant program.*

20 *(2) Administer the grant program to ensure that priority is given*  
21 *to underserved populations, including both urban and rural areas*  
22 *and low-income communities, where participation in outdoor*  
23 *recreation- and health-based activities will best serve youth as*  
24 *intervention and deterrence from violence.*

25 *(c) The department shall give priority for funding to outdoor*  
26 *recreation- and health-based intervention programs during peak*  
27 *times of violence that primarily provide outreach to and serve*  
28 *youth who are impacted by violence and gang involvement in their*  
29 *communities.*

30 *(d) The department may give additional consideration to outdoor*  
31 *recreation- and health-based intervention programs during peak*  
32 *times of violence that do any of the following:*

33 *(1) Maximize the number of participants that can be served.*

34 *(2) Demonstrate partnerships between public, private, and*  
35 *nonprofit entities.*

36 *(3) Contribute to healthy lifestyles, violence prevention and*  
37 *gang deterrence, and improved outdoor recreational and health*  
38 *experiences.*

1 (4) *Include service learning and community outreach*  
2 *components for purposes of building partnerships between*  
3 *participants and local communities.*

4 (e) *In implementing the grant program, the department shall*  
5 *work with relevant stakeholders to promote and implement the*  
6 *grant program in a manner that effectively reaches a wide*  
7 *geography throughout the state and ensures that regions most*  
8 *impacted by violence and gang involvement are adequately*  
9 *considered with an emphasis on addressing the violence prevention*  
10 *and gang deterrence needs within these regions.*

11 5661. *The department shall gather information from applicants*  
12 *following each award year for purposes of evaluating the*  
13 *effectiveness of selected programs in achieving the overall*  
14 *objectives of the grant program. Notwithstanding Section 10231.5*  
15 *of the Government Code, the department shall annually summarize*  
16 *and report this information for the previous award year to the*  
17 *appropriate policy, budget, and fiscal committees of the*  
18 *Legislature. The information in the annual report shall include*  
19 *the total number of youth served, the total number and types of*  
20 *entities that received grant awards, appropriate recommendations*  
21 *to improve the grant program, partnerships formed, educational*  
22 *objectives achieved, the total number of applications received,*  
23 *and the total number of youth who would have been served if all*  
24 *applicants for the award year received grant awards.*

25 5662. *The department shall adopt guidelines it determines are*  
26 *necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter. Chapter 3.5*  
27 *(commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title*  
28 *2 of the Government Code does not apply to the adoption of*  
29 *guidelines pursuant to this section. The department shall develop*  
30 *a process for public comment and review of the guidelines that*  
31 *involves three public hearings in three different parts of the state*  
32 *before the adoption of those guidelines.*

33 ~~SEC. 5. Section 1450 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is~~  
34 ~~amended to read:~~

35 ~~1450. (a) There is hereby established the Youth Reinvestment~~  
36 ~~Grant Program within the Office of Youth and Community~~  
37 ~~Restoration to grant funds pursuant to this chapter, upon an~~  
38 ~~appropriation of funds for the purposes described in this chapter.~~

39 ~~(b) (1) Notwithstanding any other law, the board may use any~~  
40 ~~funds that were appropriated to the board in the Budget Act of~~

1 2018, but that have not been allocated as of January 1, 2020, for  
2 grants, as prescribed in Article 4 (commencing with Section 1456).

3 (2) Funds appropriated to the board in the Budget Act of 2019  
4 for purposes of the Youth Reinvestment Fund grant program shall  
5 be used for grants, as prescribed in Article 4 (commencing with  
6 Section 1456).

7 (3) Funds appropriated to the board in the Budget Act of 2019  
8 for purposes of the Tribal Youth Diversion grant program shall be  
9 used for grants, as prescribed in Article 2 (commencing with  
10 Section 1452).

11 (e) Three percent of the funds in the Youth Reinvestment Grant  
12 Program shall be used for administrative costs to the board resulting  
13 from the implementation of this chapter.

14 SEC. 6. Section 1457 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is  
15 amended to read:

16 1457. For purposes of this article, the following definitions  
17 apply:

18 (a) "Applicant" means a nonprofit organization or local  
19 governmental entity.

20 (b) "Area of high need" means either of the following:

21 (1) A city or a ZIP Code with rates of youth arrests that are  
22 higher than the county average, based on available arrest data, as  
23 described by the applicant.

24 (2) A city or a ZIP Code with racial or ethnic disparities in youth  
25 arrests that are higher than their representation in the county  
26 population, as described by the applicant.

27 (c) "Office" means the Office of Youth and Community  
28 Restoration.

29 (d) "Diversion program" means a program that promotes positive  
30 youth development by relying on responses that prevent a young  
31 person's involvement or further involvement in the justice system.  
32 Diversion programs, which may follow a variety of different  
33 models, aim to divert youth from justice system engagement at  
34 the earliest possible point. Departments or agencies that may refer  
35 youth to diversion programs include, but are not limited to, schools,  
36 service organizations, police, probation, or prosecutors.

37 (e) "Local governmental entity" means a local government  
38 agency, including, but not limited to, a county child welfare agency,  
39 county probation department, county behavioral health department,

1 county public health department, school district, or county office  
2 of education:

3 (f) ~~“Nonprofit organization” means a private, community-based~~  
4 ~~organization that is exempt from taxation pursuant to Section~~  
5 ~~501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, and that is~~  
6 ~~nongovernmental and does not carry out any law enforcement~~  
7 ~~duties.~~

8 SEC. 7. ~~Section 1458 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is~~  
9 ~~amended to read:~~

10 1458. (a) ~~The office shall allocate funds appropriated pursuant~~  
11 ~~to Section 1450 through a competitive grant process for the purpose~~  
12 ~~of implementing trauma-informed diversion programs for youth.~~

13 (b) ~~The office shall distribute a grant under this article pursuant~~  
14 ~~to all of the following conditions:~~

15 (1) ~~A local governmental entity or nonprofit organization shall~~  
16 ~~be awarded no less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) and no~~  
17 ~~more than two million dollars (\$2,000,000).~~

18 (2) (A) ~~An applicant shall provide at least a 25-percent cash or~~  
19 ~~in-kind match to the grant that it receives pursuant to this article.~~  
20 ~~Funds used to provide the 25-percent match amount may include~~  
21 ~~a combination of federal, other state, local, or private funds.~~

22 (B) ~~Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), an applicant entity may~~  
23 ~~provide less than a 25-percent match, but at least a 10-percent cash~~  
24 ~~or in-kind match, to the grant if the applicant identifies the service~~  
25 ~~area as high need with low or no local infrastructure for diversion~~  
26 ~~programming.~~

27 (3) ~~Ninety percent of the funds awarded to a local government~~  
28 ~~entity shall pass through to community-based organizations to~~  
29 ~~deliver services in underserved communities with high rates of~~  
30 ~~youth arrests, as described by the applicant.~~

31 (4) (A) ~~Services shall be community based, located in~~  
32 ~~communities of local jurisdictions with high needs.~~

33 (B) ~~Services shall be evidence based or research supported,~~  
34 ~~trauma informed, culturally relevant, and developmentally~~  
35 ~~appropriate.~~

36 (C) ~~Direct service providers who receive funding from a grant~~  
37 ~~pursuant to this article shall be nongovernmental and not law~~  
38 ~~enforcement or probation entities.~~

39 (D) ~~Direct service providers shall have experience effectively~~  
40 ~~serving at-risk youth populations.~~

1 ~~(E) Diversion programs shall include alternatives to arrest,~~  
2 ~~incarceration, and formal involvement with the juvenile justice~~  
3 ~~system. Diversion programs shall also include one or more of the~~  
4 ~~following:~~

5 ~~(i) Educational services, including academic and vocational~~  
6 ~~services.~~

7 ~~(ii) Mentoring services.~~

8 ~~(iii) Behavioral health services.~~

9 ~~(iv) Mental health services.~~

10 ~~(e) Multiple applicants may apply for funding under this article~~  
11 ~~on a regional basis in a single application and receive the aggregate~~  
12 ~~amount of funds that they would have received if awarded as~~  
13 ~~independent applicants.~~

14 ~~SEC. 8. Section 1459 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is~~  
15 ~~amended to read:~~

16 ~~1459. The office shall be responsible for administration~~  
17 ~~oversight and accountability of the grant program under this article~~  
18 ~~and shall perform both of the following duties:~~

19 ~~(a) Support grantee data collection and analysis and require~~  
20 ~~grantees to provide outcomes of the funded programs.~~

21 ~~(b) (1) Set aside up to two hundred fifty thousand dollars~~  
22 ~~(\$250,000) of funds appropriated for purposes of the grant program,~~  
23 ~~exclusive of the funds set aside for administrative costs to the~~  
24 ~~office pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 1450, to contract with~~  
25 ~~a research firm or university to conduct a statewide evaluation of~~  
26 ~~the grant program and its outcomes over a three-year grant period.~~

27 ~~(2) The office shall make available on its internet website a~~  
28 ~~report of grantees, projects, and outcomes at the state and local~~  
29 ~~levels within 180 days of completion of the grant cycle.~~

30 ~~(3) The office shall assist the research firm or university by~~  
31 ~~providing relevant, existing data for the purposes of tracking~~  
32 ~~outcomes. Measures may include, but are not limited to, any of~~  
33 ~~the following:~~

34 ~~(A) Reductions in law enforcement responses to youth for~~  
35 ~~low-level offenses, court caseloads and processing, days the youth~~  
36 ~~spend in detention, placement of youth in congregate care, school~~  
37 ~~and placement disruptions, and facility staff turnover.~~

38 ~~(B) Improvement in the health and well-being of the youth,~~  
39 ~~school and community stability, educational attainment, and~~  
40 ~~employment opportunities.~~

1 ~~(C) Projected state and local cost savings as a result of the~~  
2 ~~diversion programming.~~

3 *SEC. 6. Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 1450) of Part 1*  
4 *of Division 2 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is repealed.*

5 *SEC. 7. Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 2300) is added*  
6 *to Division 2.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, to read:*

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8

*CHAPTER 6. YOUTH REINVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM*

9

10 *2300. (a) The Office of Youth and Community Restoration*  
11 *shall establish the Youth Reinvestment Grant Program for the*  
12 *purposes described in this chapter.*

13 *(b) The Youth Reinvestment Fund is hereby created. Moneys in*  
14 *the fund shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature,*  
15 *only for the purposes of this chapter.*

16 *(c) Funds appropriated for the Youth Reinvestment Grant*  
17 *Program shall be allocated in each fiscal year as follows:*

18 *(1) Three percent shall be used for administrative costs to the*  
19 *office resulting from the implementation of this chapter.*

20 *(2) Five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for evaluation*  
21 *of the Youth Reinvestment Grant Program as described in Section*  
22 *2305.*

23 *(3) Five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) for technical*  
24 *assistance to grantees as described in Section 2305.*

25 *(4) Ten percent for Native American youth diversion programs*  
26 *pursuant to Section 2302.*

27 *(5) The remaining funds shall be used for youth diversion*  
28 *programs pursuant to Section 2303.*

29 *2301. For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions*  
30 *apply:*

31 *(a) "Applicant" means an eligible tribal government, tribal*  
32 *organization, or a nonprofit community-based organization that*  
33 *meets the requirements of Section 2302 or 2303.*

34 *(b) "Area of high need" means either of the following:*

35 *(1) A city or a ZIP Code with rates of youth arrests that are*  
36 *higher than the county average, based on available arrest data,*  
37 *as described by the applicant.*

38 *(2) A city or a ZIP Code with racial or ethnic disparities in*  
39 *youth arrests that are higher than their representation in the county*  
40 *population, as described by the applicant.*

1 (c) “*Diversion*” means a nonpunitive response to address a  
2 youth’s conduct without involving a youth formally in the juvenile  
3 justice system.

4 (d) “*Diversion program*” means a program that promotes  
5 positive youth development by relying on responses that prevent  
6 a youth’s involvement or further involvement in the justice system.  
7 *Diversion programs, which may follow a variety of different*  
8 *models, aim to divert youth from justice system involvement at the*  
9 *earliest possible point.*

10 (e) “*Mixed-delivery system*” means a system of adolescent  
11 development and education support services delivered through a  
12 combination of programs, providers, and settings that include  
13 partnerships between community-based nonprofit organizations  
14 and public agencies and that is supported with a combination of  
15 public and private funds.

16 (f) “*Office*” means the Office of Youth and Community  
17 Restoration.

18 (g) “*Referring agency*” means organizations or agencies that  
19 may refer youth to diversion programs, including, but not limited  
20 to, education, law enforcement, child welfare, behavioral health,  
21 and public health entities.

22 (h) “*Trauma-informed*” means an approach that involves an  
23 understanding of adverse childhood experiences and responding  
24 to symptoms of chronic interpersonal trauma and traumatic stress  
25 across the lifespan of an individual.

26 (i) “*Youth*” means a person who is subject to the jurisdiction  
27 of the juvenile court.

28 2302. (a) The office shall allocate funds pursuant to Section  
29 2300 through a three-year competitive grant program for the  
30 purpose of implementing a mixed-delivery system of  
31 trauma-informed health and development diversion programs for  
32 Native American youth.

33 (b) In addition to the conditions described in Section 2304, an  
34 entity is eligible for funding under this section if it is not otherwise  
35 excluded by another law, and is one of the following:

36 (1) A federally recognized Indian tribe, as defined in Section  
37 1603(14) of Title 25 of the United States Code.

38 (2) A tribal organization, as defined in Section 1603(26) of Title  
39 25 of the United States Code.



1 (3) An Urban Indian Organization (UIO), as defined in Section  
2 1603(29) of Title 25 of the United States Code.

3 (4) A nonprofit organization whose board of directors is  
4 majority controlled by Native Americans, including organizations  
5 that are fiscally sponsored.

6 (c) Applicants who receive funding from a grant pursuant to  
7 this section shall be nongovernmental entities, with the exception  
8 of tribal government applicants, and shall not be law enforcement  
9 or probation entities.

10 2303. (a) The office shall allocate funds pursuant to Section  
11 2300 through a three-year competitive grant program for the  
12 purpose of implementing a mixed-delivery system of  
13 trauma-informed health and development diversion programs for  
14 youth.

15 (b) In addition to the conditions described in Section 2304, in  
16 order to be eligible, an applicant shall be a nonprofit organization  
17 that is tax exempt pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of  
18 the Internal Revenue Code.

19 (c) Applicants who receive funding from a grant pursuant to  
20 this section shall be nongovernmental entities and shall not be law  
21 enforcement or probation entities.

22 2304. The office shall distribute grants pursuant to Sections  
23 2302 and 2303 with all of the following conditions:

24 (a) An applicant shall be awarded no less than fifty thousand  
25 dollars (\$50,000) and no more than two million dollars  
26 (\$2,000,000).

27 (b) Applicants from two or more local jurisdictions may apply  
28 for funding under this chapter on a regional effort basis and  
29 receive the aggregate amount of funds that they would have  
30 received if awarded as an independent applicant.

31 (c) Grants shall be distributed in three installments. The first  
32 installment shall be distributed on the first day of the grant  
33 contract. The second installment shall be distributed no later than  
34 the first day of the second year of the grant contract. The third  
35 installment shall be distributed no later than the first day of the  
36 third year of the grant contract. The second and third installments  
37 shall be contingent on the applicant fulfilling the grant obligations  
38 and reporting requirements to the office.

39 (d) Funds shall be awarded to applicants who have obtained  
40 an official letter from at least one referring agency demonstrating

1 *the agency's intent to refer diverted youth to the diversion program*  
2 *to provide the youth with trauma-informed health and development*  
3 *services. For regional applications, letters of intent shall be*  
4 *required for each jurisdiction proposed in the application.*

5 *(e) Diversion services shall be provided in communities*  
6 *described as areas with high needs.*

7 *(f) Services shall be evidence based or research supported,*  
8 *trauma informed, culturally relevant, gender responsive, and*  
9 *developmentally appropriate.*

10 *(g) Applicants shall have experience effectively serving*  
11 *populations of youth who are juvenile justice system-involved or*  
12 *at-risk of system involvement.*

13 *(h) Priority shall be given to organizations that employ people*  
14 *with lived experience as a youth in the juvenile justice system.*

15 *(i) Diversion programs shall include alternatives to arrest,*  
16 *incarceration, and formal involvement with the justice system with*  
17 *a priority on programs that divert youth at the earliest possible*  
18 *point of involvement. Diversion programs shall also include one*  
19 *or more of the following:*

20 *(1) Educational services, including academic and personal*  
21 *development services.*

22 *(2) Career development services, including employment*  
23 *preparation, vocational training, internships, and apprenticeships.*

24 *(3) Mentoring services, including credible messenger services.*

25 *(4) Behavioral health services, including substance use*  
26 *treatment.*

27 *(5) Mental health services.*

28 *(6) Housing services, including permanent, short-term, and*  
29 *emergency housing services.*

30 *(7) Personal development and leadership training programs.*

31 *(8) Prosocial activities, including cultural enrichment programs*  
32 *and services.*

33 *2305. (a) The office shall be responsible for administration,*  
34 *oversight, and compliance of the program under this chapter and*  
35 *shall perform all the following duties:*

36 *(1) Support grantee data collection and analysis and require*  
37 *grantees to demonstrate outcomes of the funded programs.*

38 *(2) (A) Set aside five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) of*  
39 *funds appropriated for purposes of the program, exclusive of the*  
40 *funds set aside for administrative costs to the office pursuant to*

1 subdivision (c) of Section 2300, to contract with a research firm  
 2 or university to conduct a statewide evaluation of the program  
 3 and youth outcomes over a three-year grant period.

4 (B) The office shall make available on its internet website a  
 5 report of grantees, projects, and outcomes at the state and local  
 6 levels within 180 days of completion of the program.

7 (C) The office shall assist the research firm or university by  
 8 providing relevant, existing data for the purposes of tracking  
 9 outcomes. Outcomes measured may include, but are not limited  
 10 to, any of the following:

11 (i) Reductions in law enforcement responses to youth for  
 12 low-level offenses, court caseloads and processing, days the youth  
 13 spend in detention, placement of youth in congregate care, school  
 14 and placement disruptions, and facility staff turnover.

15 (ii) Reduction in the number of school suspensions and  
 16 expulsions.

17 (iii) Improvement in the health and well-being of the youth,  
 18 housing and community stability, educational attainment, and  
 19 connections to employment opportunities.

20 (D) Projected state and local cost savings as a result of the  
 21 diversion programming.

22 (3) (A) Set aside five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) of  
 23 funds appropriated for purposes of the program, exclusive of the  
 24 funds set aside for administrative costs and evaluation, to contract  
 25 with a technical assistance provider to support implementation of  
 26 the program.

27 (B) Support from the technical assistance provider to the  
 28 grantees shall include all of the following:

29 (i) Provide grantees with support in establishing and  
 30 maintaining relationships with system and community stakeholders,  
 31 including public agencies, labor unions, tribal governments and  
 32 communities, nonprofit organizations, and youth and families most  
 33 impacted.

34 (ii) Provide grantees with training and support in implementing  
 35 best practices and trauma informed, culturally relevant, gender  
 36 responsive, and developmentally appropriate approaches to serving  
 37 youth.

38 (iii) Create peer learning opportunities for grantee  
 39 organizations to learn from and alongside one another.

1 (iv) Provide grantees with administrative and technical support  
2 to ensure compliance with data reporting, evaluation, and  
3 applicable laws, including confidentiality and diversion eligibility.

4 (C) The technical assistance provider shall have experience in  
5 all the following areas:

6 (i) Developmental research and best practices for serving youth  
7 involved in the justice system and youth at risk of involvement,  
8 including children who have experienced commercial sexual  
9 exploitation and youth in the dependency system.

10 (ii) Research and best practices on systems that refer youths to  
11 the juvenile justice system, including the education, immigration,  
12 and child welfare systems.

13 (iii) Presenting and disseminating best practices on alternatives  
14 to incarceration and system involvement.

15 (iv) Working with and supporting community-based  
16 organizations serving youth involved in the justice system and  
17 youth at-risk of involvement in California.

18 (v) Collaborating with juvenile justice system stakeholders.

19 (vi) Working with and supporting Native American organizations  
20 and communities.

21 (vii) Working with juvenile justice system-involved youth and  
22 communities and with elevating youth leadership.

23 (viii) Priority shall be given to organizations that employ people  
24 with lived experience as youth in the juvenile justice system.

25 ~~SEC. 9.~~

26 SEC. 8. Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 8270) is added  
27 to Division 8 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, to read:

28  
29 CHAPTER 9. COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTION FOR  
30 TRAUMA PILOT PROGRAM

31  
32 8270. (a) The California Health and Human Services Agency  
33 shall administer a five-year pilot program to evaluate applications  
34 and award grants to schools located in the Counties of Alameda,  
35 Fresno, Merced, Tulare, Kern, and Los Angeles for the purpose  
36 of implementing the Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma  
37 in Schools (CBITS) program, and to an organization to study  
38 specified student outcomes, for the improvement in the health and  
39 well-being of the youth and school and community stability. *For*  
40 *the purposes of this program, "school" includes charter schools.*

1 ~~(b) The agency shall award grants on a competitive basis and~~  
2 ~~establish minimum standards, funding schedules, and procedures~~  
3 ~~for awarding grants that take into consideration, but not be limited~~  
4 ~~to, the jurisdiction's capacity and commitment to coordinate social~~  
5 ~~services and to work to ensure that the discretionary decisions~~  
6 ~~made by each participant in the administration of the program~~  
7 ~~operates in a manner consistent with the purposes of this chapter.~~

8 *(b) The agency shall award a grant to a school that meets all*  
9 *of the following criteria:*

10 *(1) The school uses the award for the purpose of implementing*  
11 *the CBITS program.*

12 *(2) The school is located in a region most impacted by gun*  
13 *violence as indicated by violent crime data and whose students*  
14 *typically are unable to access traditional services, including, but*  
15 *not limited to, students who are low income or homeless, display*  
16 *symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder or severe-trauma*  
17 *related symptoms, members of immigrant and refugee groups,*  
18 *students with disabilities, and students who interact with child*  
19 *protective systems or who have had contact with the juvenile justice*  
20 *system.*

21 *(3) The school presents substantial plans for the collection and*  
22 *distribution of information to an appointed research organization*  
23 *and for fidelity monitoring of its CBITS program.*

24 *(4) Any other related criteria required by the agency.*

25 *(c) The agency, when considering the research grant*  
26 *applications, shall give preference to research organizations or*  
27 *universities that meet all of the following criteria:*

28 *(1) Study under-resourced, chronically traumatized*  
29 *neighborhoods where community violence is prevalent.*

30 *(2) Have a demonstrated track record of collaborating with*  
31 *schools to create trauma-informed and trauma-sensitive school*  
32 *environments.*

33 *(3) Have a demonstrated track record of studying children and*  
34 *youth who have received school-based trauma recovery care.*

35 *(d) A research organization or university that is awarded a*  
36 *grant shall do all of the following:*

37 *(1) Report to the agency annually on how grant funds were*  
38 *spent, expected and current preliminary data outcomes, and*  
39 *treatment outcomes, including academic performance,*  
40 *trauma-related symptom rates, and rates of criminal offenses.*

1 (2) *Publish a report to the Legislature by December 1, 2028,*  
2 *regarding the effectiveness of the pilot program in improving child*  
3 *outcomes, including, but not limited to, academic performance,*  
4 *truancy rates, disciplinary actions, and rates of criminal offenses.*

5 (3) *Ensure any information disseminated to the public is*  
6 *distributed in accordance with Section 13202 of the Penal Code.*

7 8270.3. This chapter shall remain in effect only until January  
8 1, 2029, and as of that date is repealed.

9 ~~SEC. 10.~~

10 *SEC. 9.* The Legislature finds and declares that a special statute  
11 is necessary and that a general statute cannot be made applicable  
12 within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California  
13 Constitution because of the high rate of violent crime in the  
14 Counties of Alameda, Fresno, Merced, Tulare, Kern, and Los  
15 Angeles.

16 ~~SEC. 11.~~

17 *SEC. 10.* The sum of two hundred ~~thirty five~~ *thirty-five* million  
18 dollars (\$235,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General  
19 Fund for the purpose of delivering diversion and  
20 alternative-sanction programs, academic- and vocational-education  
21 services, mentoring, behavioral health services, and mental health  
22 services, as follows:

23 (a) The sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) to the  
24 California Health and Human Services Agency for the purposes  
25 *of administering the Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma*  
26 *in Schools (CBITS) pilot program pursuant to Chapter 9*  
27 *(commencing with Section 8270) of Division 8 of the Welfare and*  
28 *Institutions Code.*

29 (b) The sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) to the Office  
30 of Youth and Community Restoration for the purpose of awarding  
31 grants pursuant to the Youth Reinvestment Grant Program pursuant  
32 ~~to Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 1450) of Part 1 of Division~~  
33 ~~2 Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 2300) of Division 2.5 of~~  
34 ~~the Welfare and Institutions Code.~~

35 (c) The sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) to the  
36 Department of Parks and Recreation to award grants pursuant to  
37 Chapter 3.4 (commencing with Section 5660) of Division 5 of the  
38 Public Resources Code.

39 (d) The sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) to the State  
40 Department of ~~Education to provide additional funds to K-12~~

1 ~~schools for the sole purpose of hiring social workers and mental~~  
2 ~~health professionals to provide mental health services to pupils~~  
3 ~~pursuant to Section 33485 of the Education Code. *Public Health*~~  
4 ~~*to provide operational grants to school-based health centers in*~~  
5 ~~*order to provide physical health and mental health services to*~~  
6 ~~*youth on school sites pursuant to Article 10 (commencing with*~~  
7 ~~*Section 124174) of Chapter 3 of Part 2 of Division 106 of the*~~  
8 ~~*Health and Safety Code.*~~

9 (e) The sum of ~~thirty-five~~ *thirty-five* million dollars  
10 (\$35,000,000) to the Department of Justice for the purposes of  
11 providing funds to support evidence-based, focus-deterrence  
12 collaborative programs that conduct direct outreach to targeted  
13 gangs in order to preemptively reduce and eliminate violence and  
14 ~~gang-involvement~~ *gang involvement* pursuant to Title 10.3  
15 (commencing with Section 14138) of Part 4 of the Penal Code.

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**To:** [BOS Legislation, \(BOS\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Walton, Shamann \(BOS\)](#)  
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Good morning Clerk Team,

Attached is Supervisor Walton's Introduction Form, Resolution in Support of AB 912, the SAFE Act, and text of AB 912. We can confirm that this matter is routine and not contentious in nature, and of no special interest.

The CSAC and LCC have not taken a position on this bill.

Thank you,  
Natalie

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## Introduction Form

*(by a Member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor)*



I hereby submit the following item for introduction (select only one):

- 1. For reference to Committee (Ordinance, Resolution, Motion or Charter Amendment)
- 2. Request for next printed agenda (For Adoption Without Committee Reference)  
*(Routine, non-controversial and/or commendatory matters only)*
- 3. Request for Hearing on a subject matter at Committee
- 4. Request for Letter beginning with "Supervisor  inquires..."
- 5. City Attorney Request
- 6. Call File No.  from Committee.
- 7. Budget and Legislative Analyst Request (attached written Motion)
- 8. Substitute Legislation File No.
- 9. Reactivate File No.
- 10. Topic submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the Board on

The proposed legislation should be forwarded to the following (please check all appropriate boxes):

- Small Business Commission       Youth Commission       Ethics Commission
- Planning Commission       Building Inspection Commission       Human Resources Department

General Plan Referral sent to the Planning Department (proposed legislation subject to Charter 4.105 & Admin 2A.53):

- Yes                       No

*(Note: For Imperative Agenda items (a Resolution not on the printed agenda), use the Imperative Agenda Form.)*

Sponsor(s):

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Long Title or text listed:

Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: