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LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Administrative Code - San Francisco City College Financial Assistance Fund]

Ordinance amending the Administrative Code to rename the San Francisco City College Enrollment Fee Assistance Fund as the San Francisco City College Financial Assistance Fund, clarify the permissible uses of monies appropriated to this fund, add two members to this fund's Oversight Committee, and increase the number of required meetings for the Oversight Committee.

Existing Law

On September 27, 2016, the Board of Supervisors created the San Francisco City College Enrollment Fee Assistance Fund, in order to provide financial assistance for students attending the City College of San Francisco ("City College"). This ordinance directs the City and City College to develop and execute an agreement to provide funding for City College students and govern the disbursement of such funds.

The ordinance also requires that the agreement would establish an Oversight Committee to review and report on the implementation of the agreement between the City and City College. The Oversight Committee would be required to hold public meetings at least once every four months. The Oversight Committee would consist of nine members to be appointed by the City College Board of Trustees, the City College Academic Senate, the City College Associated Students Executive Council, the Board of Supervisors, and the Board of Education for the San Francisco Unified School District.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed legislation would rename the San Francisco City College Enrollment Fee Assistance Fund as the San Francisco City College Financial Assistance Fund. This proposal would also clarify which City College students are eligible for financial assistance, specify that students would receive sufficient funding to cover their enrollment fees, and for students who already receive assistance with enrollment fees, provide that they would receive education-related financial support worth up to \$500 per academic year for full-time students and \$200 for part-time students. City College would also be allowed to use up to \$500,000 to pay the costs of implementing and administering this program.

The proposed legislation would also add two seats to the Oversight Committee, with one member to be appointed by the Mayor and one member to be appointed by the Controller. This legislation would also require the Oversight Committee to meet more frequently, at least once every three months.

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