EDUCATION CODE
SECTION 78015-78016.5

78015. (a) (1) The governing board of a community college district, prior to establishing a vocational or occupational training program, shall conduct a job market study of the labor market area, as those terms are defined in Section 52301.5, in which it proposes to establish the program. The study shall use the State-Local Cooperative Labor Market Information Program established in Section 10533 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, or if this program is not available in the labor market area, other available sources of labor market information. The study shall include a California Occupational Information System supply analysis of existing vocational and occupational education or training programs for adults maintained by high schools, community colleges, and private postsecondary schools in the area to ensure that the anticipated employment demand for students in the proposed programs justifies the establishment of the proposed courses of instruction.

(2) The governing board of the community college district shall make copies of each job market study available to the public.

(b) Subsequent to completing the study required by this section and prior to establishing the program, the governing board of the community college district shall determine whether or not the study justifies the proposed vocational education program.

(c) If the governing board of the community college district determines that the job market study justifies the initiation of the proposed program, it shall determine, by resolution, whether the program shall be offered through the district's own facilities or through a contract with an approved private postsecondary school pursuant to Section 8092.

78016. (a) Every vocational or occupational training program offered by a community college district shall be reviewed every two years by the governing board of the district to ensure that each program, as demonstrated by the California Occupational Information System, including the State-Local Cooperative Labor Market Information Program established in Section 10533 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, or if this program is not available in the labor market area, other available sources of labor market information, does all of the following:

(1) Meets a documented labor market demand.

(2) Does not represent unnecessary duplication of other manpower training programs in the area.

(3) Is of demonstrated effectiveness as measured by the employment and completion success of its students.

(b) Any program that does not meet the requirements of subdivision (a) and the standards promulgated by the governing board shall be terminated within one year.

(c) The review process required by this section shall include the review and comments by the local Private Industry Council established pursuant to Division 8 (commencing with Section 15000) of the Unemployment Insurance Code, which review and comments shall occur prior to any decision by the appropriate governing body.

(d) This section shall apply to each program commenced subsequent to July 28, 1983.
(e) A written summary of the findings of each review shall be made available to the public.

78016.5. (a) This section shall be known, and may be cited, as the California Community College Baccalaureate Partnership Act. The California Community College Baccalaureate Partnership Program is hereby established for the following purposes:

(1) To encourage baccalaureate degree-granting institutions to partner with community colleges to offer baccalaureate degree programs that will offer instruction entirely on the participating community college campus.

(2) To bring opportunities to earn baccalaureate degrees to areas with low college-going rates or limited access to baccalaureate degree-granting institutions.

(b) (1) The Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges is authorized to annually award up to two grants, not to exceed fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) each, to collaboratives formed for the purpose of offering baccalaureate degree programs on the participating community college campus or campuses. For the purposes of this section, a collaborative is composed of at least one community college and at least one baccalaureate degree-granting institution. Pursuant to this section, the institutions participating in a collaborative may share in a grant of up to fifty thousand dollars ($50,000).

(2) (A) Priority for the receipt of grant funds under this subdivision shall be given to applicant institutions that:

(i) Are located in areas of the state with the lowest college-going rates and the lowest rates of earning baccalaureate degrees.

(ii) Demonstrate that the baccalaureate degree programs offered by the applicant meet a documented labor market demand.

(iii) Identify the resources necessary to offer those programs.

(B) The funds granted under this subdivision are for one-time startup costs of the collaborative.

(3) The two grants authorized under this section may be awarded under this section in any fiscal year only to the extent that funding for this program is provided in the annual Budget Act. It is the intent of the Legislature to encourage community colleges and baccalaureate degree-granting institutions to use existing resources to establish degree-granting collaboratives within the meaning of this section even during fiscal years when this program is not funded.

(4) It is the intent of the Legislature that no collaborative effort funded under this section may be terminated abruptly, thus leaving its enrolled students without a way to earn a baccalaureate degree. As a condition of an agreement for the receipt of a grant under this section, a collaborative shall ensure that every student who enrolls in the baccalaureate degree program offered by the collaborative prior to an announcement of the termination of the collaborative has an opportunity to complete the coursework necessary to obtain a baccalaureate degree.

(c) On or before April 1, 2012, the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall submit a report to the Legislature and the Department of Finance on the efficacy of the program established by this section.

(d) This section shall become inoperative on July 1, 2014, and, as of January 1, 2015, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that becomes operative on or before July 1, 2014, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.