

**TO: Youth Council**

**DATE: 04/11/2007**

**FROM: Youth Council Staff**

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

**SUBJECT: California Senate Bill 293, The Workforce Training Act**

**PROPOSED MOTION(S): Information Only**

**DISCUSSION: Effective January 1, 2007, California Senate Bill 293 imposes State-level requirements pertaining to WIA policies and procedures. Guidance for implementing these new requirements is being developed by a workgroup comprised of State and local representatives of the workforce development community. Upon completion of the workgroup's efforts, implementation guidance will be disseminated for public comment in a directive from the California Employment Development Department.**

**There are a number of new requirements that impact youth councils:**

- 1. Youth Council membership. California Unemployment (UI) Insurance Code 14209 conveys the intent of the California Legislative that when appointing members to the Youth Council, the LWIB and the local chief elected officer appoint representatives:**
  - Of youth who are enrolled in school,
  - Of out-of-school youth,
  - From the private sector,
  - Of local educational agencies serving youth,
  - Of private nonprofit agencies serving youth,
  - Of apprenticeship training programs serving youth.
- 2. Youth Council activities: UI Code 14201(c),(e) and (f) add new activities to the required youth council duties:**
  - Leveraging other youth program funds for the purpose of improving the effectiveness of local youth programs through collaborative planning, funding and service delivery.
  - Making recommendations to the LWIB for connecting youth program activities, including those provided by local educational entities, to the One-Stop delivery system.
  - Making recommendations to the LWIB for including training in nontraditional occupations for women and girls, and pre-apprentice training in youth program activities.

**ATTACHMENT(S): Required Youth Council Duties**

## Required Youth Council Duties

20 CFR Part 652 et al.

Workforce Investment Act; Final Rule

661.340 What are the responsibilities (duties) of the youth council?

The youth council is responsible for:

- (a) Coordinating youth activities in a local area;
- (b) Developing portions of the local plan related to eligible youth, as determined by the chairperson of the Local Board;
- (c) Recommending eligible youth service providers in accordance with WIA section 123, subject to the approval of the Local Board;
- (d) Conducting oversight with respect to eligible providers of youth activities in the local area, subject to the approval of the Local Board; and
- (e) Carrying out other duties, as authorized by the chairperson of the Local Board, such as establishing linkages with educational agencies and other youth entities.