| | | ADDENDUM C | |
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| Comment | | | |
| ID(s) | Section # | Substance of Comment | Bureau's Response |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. While there have been |
| | | | substantial changes to the proposal through the |
| | | | modification process, that is the purpose of the |
| | | Commenters asserted that a new hearing was | modification process and including a 45-day initial |
| | | necessary. Specifically, the commenters believe | and subsequent 15-day public comment periods |
| | | the new proposed modifications were not | for the proposed and modified regulations. While |
| | | discussed or introduced at the July 21, 2015 | some commenters point to the number of |
| | | hearing or any subsequent hearings. Some of the | changes, this is also not a standard for requiring a |
| | | proposed modifications are substantial and should | new 45-day notice and hearing. Only not |
| | | receive a hearing in their own right. Bypassing | sufficiently related changes require such a |
| C,D, F, H, I, | | hearings and normal time periods set up for | procedure and the Bureau believes that the |
| J, N, O, P, T, | ADA (| review can lead to regulations that have errors or | proposed modifications are sufficiently related |
| AE, AG | APA (new hearing) | unintended ramifications. | under the California APA. |
| | | | The comment is aimed at the entire package and |
| AA, AB, AC, AD | Whole Deckage | | not a specific change to the proposal, thus the comment is irrelevant. |
| AD | Whole Package | | The only change to this subsection was |
| | | | grammatical. In the alternative, the Bureau |
| | | | disagreed with the comments. The requirement is |
| | | | to provide a listing of each institutional and |
| | | | programmatic accreditor and the effective date of |
| | | Commenters asserted that programmatic | the programmatic accreditations for each branch |
| | | accreditors are redundant. That it counts students | and satellite campus. There is no requirement to |
| C, H, I, J, O, | | twice and requires duplicate reports among other | count students or submit accreditation reports; it |
| P R, T, AE | 74110(a)(3) | things. | requires a list of the institution's accreditors. |

| | | Commenters provided a number of different | |
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| | | objections or comments regarding subsection | |
| | | 74110(a)(4) including that "State" loan programs is | |
| | | not defined or clarified and that collecting loan | |
| C, D, F, G, H, | | information on non-California students is not | No part of this subsection was changed in this |
| I, J, O, R, T, | | reasonable. Furthermore, this duplicates Title IV | modification. Therefore the comments are not |
| AE, AG | 74110(a)(4) | federal aid disclosures. | relevant to the modification. |
| | | Commenter stated that the "any other federal aid | No part of this subsection was changed in this |
| C, F, H, I, J, | | or state funding" was undefined and/or overly | modification. Therefore the comments are not |
| O, T, AE, AG | 74110(a)(5) | broad. | relevant to the modification. |
| | | | If the commenter is referring to the requirement |
| | | | that an institution must report its total percentage |
| | | Commenter suggested that the regulations should | of institutional income that comes from any public |
| | | not make private companies disclose their | funding sources, this subsection was not changed |
| AH | 74110(a)(6) | percentage of business from government sources. | in this modification and would be irrelevant. |
| | | Commenters stated their collective concern | |
| | | regarding reports to only to be submitted | No part of this subsection was changed in this |
| C, H, I, J, O, | | electronically and that it might adversely effect | modification. Therefore the comments are not |
| P, R, T, AE | 74110(d) | smaller schools. | relevant to the modification. |
| | | | Comments are broad, general comments covering |
| | | | large portions of the regulations. The Bureau has |
| | | Commenters stated that the institutional | looked for alternative interpretations that would |
| | | disclosures, website reporting, and student | make the comments specific; however, those |
| | | signature requirements required by the proposed | areas (i.e. student signatures) are not part of the |
| AA, AB, AC, | | regulations are onerous and in most cases not | proposal which were modified by this modification |
| AD | 74112 | needed. | and would therefore be irrelevant. |
| | | Commenters suggested that there should be a | While a portion of the subsection was modified |
| | | minimum number of students in a program for it to | (see comment & response below), anything |
| | | be reportable. Any programs with less than the | regarding a minimum number of students has not |
| H, I, J, R, S, | 74440() | minimum number would not be required to have a | been modified by this modification and would |
| T, AF, AG | 74112(a) | performance fact sheet for that program. | therefore be irrelevant. |

| | | | The Bureau disagreed. The new font size is specific to certain areas of the performance fact sheet (titles and column headings). Font size and line spacing is already included in the same subsection. Furthermore, this font size is a standard being set for all regulated institutions. Additionally, the Bureau does not provide |
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| | | | "instruction sheets" for the creation of |
| H, I, J, K, L, | | Commenters stated that the font size should be | performance fact sheets. The Bureau has a video |
| O, P, T, AE, | | included in an instruction sheet, not the | as well as other online resources, including an |
| AG, AH, AI | 74112(a) | regulations. | FAQ. |
| | | Commenters objected to the requirement for a | |
| | | separate performance fact sheet for each program | |
| | | as it would require larger institutions with more | The portion of the regulation regarding separate |
| | | programs to maintain and reproduce all the | performance fact sheets for each program was not |
| | | required data by program, which would be | changed for this modification and would therefore |
| O, P, AE | 74112(a) | unmanageable. | be irrelevant. |
| | | Commenters stated that requiring institutions to | |
| | | disclose the estimated date of availability does not | No part of these subsections were changed in this |
| | | provide useful information to prospective students. | modification. Therefore the comments are not |
| O, P, AE | 74112(b)&(c) | It is only confusing. | relevant to the modification. |

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| | | | The comment has different alternatives. The |
| | | | Bureau disagreed with any alternative and while |
| | | | the alternatives are not based on changes to this |
| | | | modification, for clarity the Bureau will examine |
| | | | each alternative. First, after the proposal was |
| | | | noticed and following the hearing, SB 410 was |
| | | | passed and signed which changed the definition in |
| | | | the reporting article from "graduate" to "on-time |
| | | | graduate," which reverts "graduate" to that defined |
| | | | earlier in the definitions portion of the statute. If |
| | | | the comment refers to 74112(d)(2), this was |
| | | | inserted to clarify the term "on-time graduates" as |
| | | | the statute simply referred to them as "graduates" |
| | | | prior to SB 410, which caused some confusion. |
| | | | Thus, the Bureau specified the definition. Now, the |
| | | | definition matches the statute. None which split |
| | | | "graduate" from "on-time graduate." If the |
| | | | comment is toward section 74112(d)(3), then term |
| | | | "on-time" was removed leaving only "graduate." |
| | | | Again, nothing is split. Indeed, except for the |
| | | | completion rates (section 74112(h)), the term "on- |
| | | | time" is removed so information may be collected |
| | | Commenters stated that the "Gainful Employment" | on all graduates which was the intent of SB 410. If |
| | | definition has been changed significantly to split | the comment is in regard to section 74112(h) or |
| | | the definition into "graduate" and "on-time | completion rates, then the split between "on-time |
| | | graduate" while leaving the restrictions on the | graduate" and "graduate" has always been in |
| H, I, J, T | 74112(d)(2) | calculations of graduation rates unchanged. | place and is unchanged. |
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| | | | The Bureau disagreed. The definitions are for |
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| | | | different purposes. The U.S. Department of |
| | | | Education's definition is a comparison of Title IV |
| | | | loans to the income or discretionary income of the |
| | | | graduate. It also uses 3 year loan default rates. |
| | | | The definition is based on Title IV loans, and not |
| | | | all institutions the Bureau oversees participate in |
| | | | Title IV funding. In the end, their definition is |
| | | | comparing loans and income. However, the |
| | | | Bureau's statutory mandate to define "gainful |
| | | | employment" includes standards for fulltime and |
| | | | part-time as well as self-employment. Most of all, |
| | | | the definition is used to determine whether |
| | | | someone can be counted as employed for the |
| | | | purposes of reporting job placement. This must be |
| | | | within six months of graduation or a period |
| | | | extended by taking an exam. The U.S. |
| | | | Department of Education's definition uses |
| | | Commenters suggested that the Bureau should | numbers based on a minimum of two or three |
| | | use the U.S. Department of Education's definition | years. Their definition is to serve a different |
| B, G | 74112(d)(3) | for "gainful employment." | purpose than the Bureau's statutory mandate. |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. First, the word |
| | | | "permanent" does not appear in this proposal. |
| | | | Second, commenters point toward the |
| | | | requirement of 30 hours per week for 21 days. |
| | | | These are the standards by which fulltime |
| | | | employment is to be measured. Once these are |
| | | | attained, the requirement is met. Finally, if |
| | | Commenters stated that the Bureau requires | commenters are referring to the language |
| H, J, Q, R, S, | | institutions to find students "permanent | regarding "reasonable expectation of continued |
| T | 74112(d)(3)(A) | employment." | employment," that is addressed below. |
| Т | 74112(d)(3)(A) | employment." | employment," that is addressed below. |

| | | Commenters suggested that any regulation | |
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| | | requiring employers to report on their individual | This is a general comment which is not specifically |
| AA, AB, AC, | | employees' status, progress and plans should be | directed at a particular change in the proposal in |
| AD | 74112(d)(3)(A) | deleted. | this modification. |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. The SOC stands for |
| | | | Standard Occupation Classifications. It was |
| | | | created and maintained by the Bureau for Labor |
| | | | Statistics inside the U.S. Department of Labor. It |
| | | | is not a listing of job titles, it is a system to classify |
| | | Commenters stated that their programs are unique | occupations. Each detailed code is specific to the |
| | | and they would have problems fitting their job titles | work being done, not the title held by the worker. |
| | | into the SOC codes or that not every job falls | Furthermore, the detailed level has specific |
| C, H, N, O, P, | | within a pre-ordained category or that the SOC is | definitions of what work is included or may be |
| Q, Y, Z, AE, | | too restrictive or does not cover the employment | included. The intent of the list is to be as |
| AH, AI | 74112(d)(3)(A)(i) | areas for certain programs. | encompassing as possible. |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. First, the change to the |
| | | | detailed level was not a part of this modification. |
| | | | The only change in this modification to the |
| | | | subsection referring to SOC codes was |
| | | | grammatical. Additionally, the response above |
| | | | addresses the same issue of the SOC being too |
| | | | narrow. Furthermore, while it is true that some |
| | | Commenters stated that changing from the broad | jobs encompass multiple detail level codes, there |
| | | group (also referred to as 4 digit level) to the | are instructions with the codes to classify the |
| | | detailed group was a mistake as the detailed level | worker under whichever code the worker does the |
| | | is too narrow and many workers can be covered | most work and jobs may also encompass multiple |
| I, J, Q, R, T | 74112(d)(3)(A)(i) | by multiple detailed level codes. | broad level groups as well. |
| | | Commenter stated that placing SOC codes in the | The portion of the regulation regarding listing SOC |
| | | catalog is not necessary and will be confusing for | codes in the catalog was not changed for this |
| G | 74112(d)(3)(A)(i) | students without context. | modification and would therefore be irrelevant. |

| | | | The Bureau disagreed. The list to be provided can |
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| | | | be an encompassing list of the various SOC codes |
| | | | the program trains its graduates towards. It |
| | | | doesn't have to be one code, nor does the student |
| | | | need to pick which code they are going to pursue. |
| | | | The list represents the occupations for which the |
| | | | program prepares graduates. As long as the |
| | | Commenters stated the SOC codes are too | graduate is employed under one of the SOC |
| | | restrictive. That while a person is trained in one | codes listed, they meet the SOC code requirement |
| | | area, they may choose to practice in another | for being counted as gainfully employed, which is |
| | | similar area for which the graduate is qualified but | the primary purpose of the SOC codes and the list |
| N, O, P, AE | 74112(d)(3)(A)(i) | is under a different code. | of codes associated with that particular program. |

| | | | The Bureau agreed. The restriction was deleted. The Bureau finds compelling the many comments showing the hiring of graduates. Some are in significant numbers, others have been with the employer for extended (20 years) periods of time. While there are claims that fraud has been committed by institutions hiring their own graduates to inflate their job placement rate, the Bureau has no evidence of such practice being |
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| | | Commentary objected for various reasons to the | common. There are countless good jobs available to graduates through the institutions and more so through ownership which may as an example own long term nursing facilities which hire graduates from the institution's nursing programs. Additionally, the Bureau believes that the SOC |
| | C | <u> </u> | code requirement for a job placement will help to deter abusing this practice. The graduate must still |
| A, B, C, D, F, G, H, I, J, K, | | or someone who shares ownership in the institution. Comments ranged from broad | be hired into an occupation listed with the program. A make-up student hired as an |
| L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S,T, V, | | accusations that the Bureau had exceeded its authority, to specific personal examples of | administrative assistant (if prepared for a different job) would not count as placement whether the |
| W, X, Y, AE, AF, AH, AI 741 | 12(d)(3)(A)(ii) | graduates hired by the institution or an owner of the institution. | graduate was hired by the institution or an outside employer. |
| | | | The Bureau agreed and removed the requirement that the intention to be employed part-time be |
| | | Commenters objected to the requirement that to be counted as part-time job placement, the | declared prior to enrollment. The Bureau recognizes that life changes and the more time |
| | | graduate must have signed a statement prior to | that passes the more variables might effect |
| E, G, K, L, M, | | the enrollment that he or she only intended to | someone's plans and intentions. However, while |
| N, O, P, Q, R, | | seek part-time work. Commenters stated that | the requirement for a pre-enrollment statement |
| S, V, W, X, Y, | | there are many life events which can change the | has been deleted, to be counted as part-time job |
| AA, AB, AC, AD, AE, AF, | | goals of an individual, thus being able to predict an intention prior to graduation can be | placement, there must still be a signed statement from the graduate that part-time work was what |
| | 12(d)(3)(A)(ii) | problematic. | they intended to pursue at that time. |

| | | | The standard for fulltime job placement has been |
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| | | | unchanged since the proposal was first noticed. |
| | | | The part-time standards were introduced with the |
| | | | first modification. Neither has been changed with |
| | | | this modification. Therefore, the comments |
| | | | regarding these standards are irrelevant. |
| | | | However, the Bureau will restate its basis for |
| | | | these standards as provided in response to earlier |
| | | | comments. The 30 hour per week for fulltime job |
| | | | placement is a direct reflection of the Affordable |
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| | | | Care Act which requires a minimum of 30 hours |
| | | | per week to be counted as fulltime employment. |
| | | | 20 hours per week for part-time is a based in part |
| | | | on the old 40 week, which is still used for things |
| | | | such as overtime. Additionally, working less than |
| | | | 20 hours per week constitutes approximately 2 |
| | | | days of work per week or the equivalent of a |
| | | | weekend job. The 21 day requirement is based in |
| | | | part on the standard of 15 days set by an |
| D, H, I, J, K, | | | accrediting agency. Other accrediting agencies did |
| L, M, N, O, P, | | Commenters objected to the hours per week and | not have a requirement for minimum number of |
| Q, X, AE | 74112(d)(3)(A)(ii) | number of days employed requirements. | days. |
| | (/ (/ (/ (/ (/ | , , , , | The Bureau firsts suggests that it seems that |
| | | | these therapists being referred to appear to be |
| | | | self-employed and thus would be covered under |
| | | Commenters suggested that therapists work less | subsection (d)(3)(C) as the number of hours is not |
| | | than the 30 hours required to be fulltime. | relevant to that subsection. Additionally, while |
| | | Commenters provide an example of a therapist | therapists may only "see patients" for so many |
| | | who sees clients one day a week and state that | hours, required record keeping, notes and such |
| | | less or fewer clients is necessary to maintain | would extend their "working hours" beyond just |
| K, L | 7/112/4\/2\/\\\;;;\ | "sensitivity." | those when seeing a client. |
| I, L | 74112(d)(3)(A)(ii) | Sensitivity. | unose when seeing a chent. |

| AA, AB, AC, | | Commenters suggested that any proposal that requires students to report on their pre and post graduation plans and professional progress should be deleted. Students should be free to matriculate through postsecondary institutions and professional assignments without being required to report to any governmental entity their | This is a general comment which is not specifically directed at a particular change in the proposal in |
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| AD, AD, AC, | 74112(d)(3)(A)(ii) | intentions or progress. | this modification. |
| 7.0 | 7 + 1 12 (0)(0)(7 ()(1) | Commenters objected to "reasonable expectation of continued employment" specifically. Previously, | |
| | | some commenters made comments that the Bureau was requiring "permanent employment." | The Bureau agreed and removed all of subsection (d)(3)(A)(iii). While the Bureau's intent was to |
| C, D, F, G, H, | | Here various commenters point to this specific | provide a method for more than just 21 days of |
| I, J, M, N, O, P, Q, V, W, | | subsection as the root of their interpretation of this as permanent. Commenters cite that California is | employment through a concept of an expectatoin of continued employment, the requirement is |
| X, Y, AE, AF, | | an at-will employment state which might be in | problematic because of the at-will employment |
| AG, AH | 74112(d)(3)(A)(iii) | conflict with the requirement. | law. |
| | | | The Bureau agreed. Subsection (3)(d)(B) was rewritten to first provide that it refers specifically to |
| | | | situations in which the student/graduate is |
| | | | employed by the same employer as when they |
| | | | enrolled in the program. This subsection allows for |
| | | | three distinct ways in which the student may be |
| | | | counted as gainfully employed. The new |
| | | Commenters suggested that multiple uses of the | subsection is broken into three (i), (ii), & (iii) to |
| | | word "or" throughout the subsection provides so many caveats that it may be difficult or confusing | make clear each different way the graduate can be counted. This should help to separate the |
| I, J, O, P, AE | 74112(d)(3)(B) | to follow the intent. | caveats in a manner that will not be confusing. |

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| | | | The Bureau disagreed. Perhaps there was some |
| | | | confusion as subsection (d)(3)(B) didn't |
| | | | adequately identify that it was for circumstances |
| | | | for counting a student as gainfully employed when |
| | | | the student/graduate works for the same employer |
| | | | after graduation as he or she did prior to |
| | | | enrollment. Alternatively, it is not unheard of for an |
| | | | employer to hire an employee on the condition |
| | | | that the employee obtain some degree, program |
| | | | certificate, or license. In these circumstances, the |
| | | Commenters suggest that students would not | employee (and employer) are aware at the time of |
| | | know prior to enrollment that the program is | enrollment that the program is required for the |
| G, M, N | 74112(d)(3)(B) | required for their continued employment. | employee to keep the job. |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. The subsection (d)(3)(B) |
| | | | deals with the circumstance that a student is |
| | | | employed by the same employer after graduation. |
| | | Commenter stated that a similar problem | A change in the SOC code provides a |
| | | (reasonable expectation of continued | presumption that the graduate moved into a new |
| | | employment) arises with the proposal requiring a | occupation type based on the graduate's |
| | | graduate to be employed in a different SOC code | successful completion of the program |
| G | 74112(d)(3)(B) | than prior to enrollment. | (graduation). |
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| | | | The Bureau agreed and in its response to a |
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| | | | comment to the originally noticed proposal, the |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, , | | Commenters suggested that electronic | Bureau recognized that we live in a |
| M, N, O, P, | | correspondence of self-employment or electronic | digital/electronic world and that a self-attestation |
| AE | 74112(d)(3)(C) | evidence of self-employment should be sufficient. | can be electronically signed. |
| | | | Subsection 74112(d)(3)(C) allows for an |
| | | Commenter stated that it was burdensome to | attestation signed by the graduate of self- |
| | | verify that a graduate was self-employed and | employment or freelance work. This would be self- |
| X | 74112(d)(3)(C) | suggested that self-reporting be acceptable. | reporting. |
| | | Commenter stated that it is burdensome to collect | Subsection 74112 (d)(3)(C) allows for either |
| | | evidence to verify that a graduate is self-employed | evidence of verification of self-employment or an |
| Y | 74112(d)(3)(C) | along with an attestation from the graduate. | attestation by the graduate. It doesn't require both. |
| | , , , , , | | The Bureau disagreed. Education Code section |
| | | | 94928(e)(2) provides that the Bureau shall define |
| | | | specific measures and standards for determining |
| | | | whether a student is gainfully employed in a full- |
| | | | time or part-time position for which the institution |
| | | | represents the program prepares its graduates, |
| | | | including conducting self-employment or |
| | | Commenters suggested that any reference to | conducting freelance work. The Bureau is |
| AA, AB, AC, | | institutional reporting requirements related to self- | statutorily mandated to include standards for self- |
| AD, AD, AO, | 7/112/4/(3//0/ | employment/freelance workers be deleted. | employment and freelance work. |
| 70 | 74112(d)(3)(C) | Commenters stated that there is an overuse of | employment and freelance work. |
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| | | initialing and the statement suggesting students | The Division discoursed While this is used and a second |
| | | only initial after they have had time to read and | The Bureau disagreed. While this is not a change |
| | | understand the information. Commenters question | in this modification, it is important to note that |
| | | whether this makes other mandated disclosures | countless forms contain sections to be initialed. |
| | | without this requirement unnecessary for the | The intent is to draw attention to areas of extra |
| I, J, AG, AI | 74112(e-k) | student to understand. | importance. |

| | | | The Bureau disagreed. Again, this was not |
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| | | | changed by this modification. Yet it is important to |
| | | Commenters suggested that any reference | note that not all programs are the same. Some |
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| | | requiring that "total charges may be higher for | charge for the program, while others charge by the |
| AA, AB, AC, | 74440(0) | students that don't complete on time" should be | class. This affects whether a student will face |
| AD | 74112(f) | deleted. Commenters believe this is self-evident. | additional charges for not completing on-time. |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. As noted previously, this |
| | | | language was not changed in this modification. |
| | | Commenters stated that information in this | Still, it is important to recognize that the Bureau's |
| | | subsection is redundant and reported in other | requirements and those of the U.S. Department of |
| | | places, thus it is a burden to report it again on the | Education may overlap. In such instances, the |
| O, P, AE | 74112(f) | performance fact sheet. | information is already available. |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. The language was not |
| | | | changed for this modification; however, it is |
| | | Commenters suggested that any reference to an | important. Whether an institution is eligible for |
| | | institution's eligibility to participate in federal | federal aid is relevant. While it might be a choice |
| | | student aid programs should be deleted as it is | by the institution, it can also be that the institution |
| | | pejorative. Furthermore, commenters stated that | was rendered ineligible to participate - a fact which |
| AA, AB, AC, | | only participation is necessary to report, eligibility | can be relevant for students and consumer |
| AD | 74112(g) | is irrelevant to consumer protection purposes. | protection. |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. The language was not |
| | | | changed for this section. Yet, even if much of this |
| | | | information is required by the U.S. Department of |
| | | | Education, the purpose of the performance fact |
| | | Commenters stated that the Bureau does not | sheet is to inform prospective students of the |
| | | need to be concerned with the Federal Student | information. Something such as the average |
| | | Loan Debt information. Commenters stated that | federal loan debt of a recent graduate might be |
| | | said information is monitored closely by the U.S. | important to someone considering whether to |
| O, P, AE | 74112(g) | Department of Education. | enter the same program. |

| | | | The Bureau disagreed. Again, this comment does |
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| | | | not address a change in this modification. Still, the |
| | | | reporting of on-time graduation rates can have |
| | | | significant meaning to a prospective student |
| | | | looking to start a new career because whether |
| | | Commenters stated that reporting the number of | students generally complete on-time or not may |
| | | on-time graduates is confusing and meaningless, | have a significant impact on whether to enter the |
| N, O, P, AE | 74112(h) | as it does not correspond to any Federal cohort. | same program. |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. The use of "job |
| | | | placement" is consistent with statute. References |
| | | | and definitions are provided as "job placement" in |
| | | | statute, the Bureau desires to maintain consistent |
| | | Commenter suggested changing the name from | terminology so as to not create confusion in its |
| X | 74112(i) | "job placement" to "job employment." | own regulations. |
| | | Commenters suggested that the Bureau align with | |
| | | accrediting agencies and allow anyone employed | |
| | | during the annual reporting period to be counted, | The Bureau disagreed as this is the time period |
| N, O, P, AE | 74112(i)(2) | not just within 6 months from graduation. | set in statute (Education Code 94928(e)(1)) |
| | | Commenters suggested that the first "available" | |
| | | exam tracking is burdensome. For example, | |
| | | commenters K and L suggested that certain | |
| | | license exams require graduates to have earned a | |
| | | certain number of hours before taking the exam, | |
| | | but most of those graduates earn those hours | |
| | | between 12 to 60 months after graduation, | |
| | | therefore the school cannot determine what is the | |
| | | first examination available. Commenters believe | |
| | | that it requires almost individualized tracking | The Bureau disagreed as this is the time period |
| | | where continuous enrollments and graduations | set in statute (Education Code 94928(e)(1)) and |
| | | are concerned. Additionally, commenters point out | the language used in statute, i.e., "first |
| K, L, N, O, P, | | that not all students take the first available exam | examination available after a student completes |
| X, AE | 74112(i)(2) | either by choice or by life events. | an applicable educational program." |

| X | 74112(i)(4) | Commenter suggested that an additional column for "No Employment Information Available" be added. Commenter compares this to the "No Salary Information available" which can be reported regarding a later table on salary and wages. | The Bureau disagreed. The salary reporting is different because the Bureau realizes that obtaining salary information for individual graduates can be more difficult than simply finding out whether or not a graduate is employed. Additionally, such an option could serve as a disincentive for institutions to make a full effort to collect any basic employment information. |
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| | 74112(1)(4) | Commenters question how an institution determines if there is a majority of graduates who are self-employed or free-lance, how will they ever | An institution should presumably be informed about its own programs and whether the programs prepare students to enter the workforce as self-employed or free-lance workers. Moreover, the new regulations allow institutions to include as "gainfully employed" graduates that are self-employed or working freelance, so presumably, the institution will track these students for the purpose of counting them as gainfully employed and will be able to subsequently determine if the majority, or more than half, of its graduates are categorized within this type of work style. The purpose of this majority "data point" is to determine if the self employment/free-lance disclosure to prospective students is required at all. The disclosure is useful to students because it informs them that either a majority or all graduates of the program are self-employed/free-lance. Not all prospective students may wish to pursue such a program. So, having them be notified of the fact prior to enrollment may save a prospective student |
| G | 74112(i)(5) | be able to obtain enough data to know if they've crossed that majority point, and believe the purpose of this "data point" is unclear and that the disclosure is not useful to students. | time, money, and aggravation they might otherwise experience if they were to graduate and only then find that the work available is usually for self-employment/freelance. |

| | | | The Bureau disagreed. First, the standard is |
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| | | | whether "either a majority or all of this schools |
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| | | | graduates are employed in this manner." A |
| | | | majority is more than half. Furthermore, as |
| | | | collecting job information on self- |
| | | | employed/freelance working graduates will now be |
| | | | a part of the job placement standard, institutions |
| | | | have only to look at their own job placement |
| | | | numbers to ascertain whether a majority of their |
| | | | graduates go into self-employment/freelance. |
| | | | Second, it is not necessary that a student know |
| | | | exactly what job they want at the time of signing. |
| | | Commenters stated that the language is | This is a disclosure that is required when a |
| | | subjective and imposes unclear judgmental criteria | majority of students graduating from the program |
| | | on institutions. Commenters further provided that | are self-employed/freelance workers, not an |
| I, J, N, O, P, | | the prospect must sign the disclosure before they | attestation that the particular student wishes to |
| T, V, AE, AG | 74112(i)(5) | know exactly what job they want. | pursue self-employment/freelance work. |
| | | Commenters again stated their objection to first | The Bureau disagreed for the same reason as |
| | | available exam, rather than first exam taken for | previously cited. "First available" is statutory |
| I, J, N, O, P, | | the same reasons as discussed above in section | language found in section 94928(e)(1) of the |
| T, AE | 74112(j) | 74112(i)(2). | Code. |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. First, the only changes to |
| | | | this subsection were format so that the provided |
| | | | example would meet the formatting requirements |
| | | | in subsection (a), thus the comment is not relevant |
| | | | to a change in this modification. However, it is |
| | | Commenter stated "obtaining individual salary | worth noting that the Bureau has been receiving |
| | | information from graduates is all but impossible | performance fact sheets for several years from |
| | | and that since the information is available from | thousands of institutions with salary and wage |
| | | other sources it should not be on the performance | data included, refuting that individual collection is |
| N | 74112(k) | fact sheet." | "all but impossible." |
| 1.4 | 7 11 1 2 (11) | Tuot onooti | all but impossible. |

| | | | The Bureau disagreed. Again, this subsection was |
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| | | | only changed for format for this modification, so |
| | | | the comment is irrelevant. However, while some |
| | | | information may be available through the SOC |
| | | | code, this information is an average and does not |
| | | Commenters stated that the wage and salary data | necessarily reflect the outcome of students from a |
| | | is redundant as the information is available by | particular program at a particular institution. |
| | | SOC code from the U.S. Department of Labor or | Likewise, any information of this nature released |
| | | collected by other entities such as the U.S. | by either the U.S. Department of Education or the |
| | | Department of Education or the Internal Revenue | Internal Revenue Service would be an average, |
| O, P, AE | 74112(k) | Service. | and not specfic to the institution. |
| | | Commenter recognized that this section was not | |
| | | among the second modified text under | |
| | | consideration. Commenter pointed out that since | |
| | | the original notice, a consent judgment had been | |
| | | reached in Iowa among 40 State Attorney | The Bureau disagreed. Setting aside the fact that |
| | | Generals and an institution regarding the definition | |
| | | for "Graduates Unavailable for Employment" and | the consent judgment, the definition for "Graduate |
| | | suggested that this definition be considered as a | Unavailable for Employment" is set in statute |
| U | 74112(I) | replacement for the current definition. | (section 94928(f)). |
| | 7 1112(1) | Commenter suggested adding the definition for | (0000011 0 1020(1)). |
| | | "Number of Students Who Began the Program" to | |
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| _ | 74440(1) | this subsection as defined earlier is subsection | The Bureau disagreed, as the definition is already |
| Z | 74112(I) | (d)(1). | included in this subsection. |

| | | | The Bureau disagreed. First, this is a general |
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| | | | comment which is not directed to any specific |
| | | | change in this modification. However, in the |
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| | | | alternative, subsection (m) requires maintaining |
| | | | for a specific term the information and data used |
| | | O | to produce both the annual report and the |
| | | Commenters stated that the Bureau is asking for | performance fact sheets. The subsection does not |
| | | the same data over and over again and that most | require any additional reporting, it is about keeping |
| | | data elements have already been reported to the | information to verify what has been submitted to |
| I, J, K, L, T, | | Bureau in other formats and that the Bureau is | maintain the proof to support the reported |
| AG | 74112(m) | requiring an excessive amount of documentation. | information. |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. First, this requirement is |
| | | | not a change in this modification. However, it is |
| | | | worth pointing at that subsection(m) is the |
| | | | documentation required to be maintained, not a |
| | | | reporting requirement. Additionally, the date the |
| | | | employment is verified is extremely important |
| | | | under the new gainful employment standards |
| | | | under subsection (d)(3)(A) which require a |
| | | Commenters stated that reporting the date the | graduate to be employed at least 21 days. If the |
| | | graduates employment was verified is | verification was only ten days after employment, |
| | | burdensome and unnecessary and is already | that would not meet the new regulatory |
| H, I, J, T | 74112(m)(3) | being reported in other formats. | requirement. |
| | , , , | | The Bureau disagreed. These subsections were |
| | | | not changed by this modification, thus the |
| | | | comment is irrelevant. However, maintaining |
| | | Commenter stated that mandating documentation | documentation or proof of reported information is |
| | | of salary, hours per week, employer contact | a requirement used elsewhere, such as |
| | | information and written communication verifying | maintainence of tax records for a certain period of |
| М | 74112(m)(3) & (4) | graduate's employment and salary is burdensome. | time after filling a tax return. |

| | | Commenters objected to the requirement provided | |
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| | | in subsection (n) which calls for an institution to | |
| | | give a reasonable amount of time for a student to | The Bureau deleted this subsection from the |
| | | read the document prior to obtaining the student's | following modification. While this was not a |
| | | initials. Commenters state various reasons from | change to this modification, the Bureau believed |
| | | the requirement being illogical, unverifiable, | that the requirement was duplicative of the |
| | | immeasurable and assumes the adult reading is | statement accompanying the student initial |
| | | incapable of reading the document. Commenters | requirements under specific sections of the |
| | | also stated that the use of the term "reasonable" | performance fact sheet. It is worth noting that in |
| | | which can mean so many different things to so | Black's Law Dictionary "reasonable" is defined as |
| I, J, K, L, Q, | | many different people is ambiguous and | "agreeable to reason; just; proper. Ordinary or |
| T, AG | 74112(n) | undefined. | usual." |
| | | | The Bureau disagreed. Conspicuous as defined at |
| | | | dictionary.com means "easily seen or noticed; |
| | | | readily visible or observable." Using the same |
| | | | source, homepage means "the initial page of a |
| | | Commenters stated that "clear and conspicuous" | site on the World Wide Web." Finally, making |
| | | is vague and subjective. Some commenters point | specific statutory requirements is one of the |
| | | out that they have multiple schools on one website | purposes of regulations and the regulation makes |
| | | thus questioning the term "homepage." | the statute specific by requirig the statutorily |
| D, F, I, J, T, | | Additionally, some commenters stated that this is | mandated link(s) to be "clear and conspicuous"; |
| U, V | 74117 | an overstep of authority. | and not hidden or obscured. |