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RED BANNER UPDATE

Date: April 30, 2021

Re: SB 642

Signed: April 27, 2021

Effective: July 1, 2021

Topic: Required Student Aptitude Test and Military Recruiter Consultation

Summary: Beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, this Act requires every school district to provide students in grades ten (10) through twelve (12) an opportunity to take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test and consult with a military recruiter. The ASVAB test must be scheduled during normal school day hours and at a time that “limits conflicts with extracurricular activities.” Districts must also provide each of these students and his or her parent or legal guardian with the date, time, and location of the scheduled administration of the ASVAB test.

School districts may elect not to provide the ASVAB test if they provide an alternative test that meets these criteria:

1. it assesses a student’s aptitude for success in career field other than one that requires postsecondary education;
2. is free to administer;
3. requires minimal training and support of district faculty and staff to administer the test; and
4. provides the student with a professional interpretation of the test results that allows the student to explore occupations that are consistent with his or her interests and skills and to develop strategies to attain career goals.

Please visit the firm’s website to view the signed Act.

RFR attorneys are reviewing this legislation and will be advising clients as to any recommended changes to existing district policies.