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Dear School Administrator:

On June 24, 2015, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. signed Senate Bill No. 81. The bill included the addition of section 94874.9 to the California Education Code (CEC).

CEC section 94874.9 allows independent colleges, defined as “nonpublic higher education institutions that grant undergraduate degrees, graduate degrees, or both, and that are formed as nonprofit corporations in this state and are accredited by an agency recognized by the United States Department of Education” (CEC 66010) to enter into a contract with the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (Bureau) to review and, as appropriate, act on complaints concerning the institution in accordance with Section 600.9 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Attached please find a copy of the statutory language and a contract that you may use if you are interested in contracting with the Bureau to review and act upon institutional complaints in order to comply with the Federal State Authorization requirements.

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Sincerely,

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