



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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Offered by:  
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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 652                      File No. 603                      Cal. No. 399

**"AN ACT CONCERNING SMALL BUSINESS RETIREMENT PLANS."**

1        Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2        following in lieu thereof:

3        "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section:

4        (1) "Small employer" means a business with one hundred or fewer  
5        employees;

6        (2) "IRA" means an individual retirement account or individual  
7        retirement annuity under Section 408 or 408A of the Internal Revenue  
8        Code of 1986 or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code  
9        of the United States, as from time to time amended;

10       (3) "Payroll deposit IRA arrangement" means an arrangement by  
11       which an employer makes its payroll system available to employees as  
12       a conduit for transferring salary reduction contributions to IRAs; and

13       (4) "SIMPLE plan" means a SIMPLE IRA program under section

14 408(p) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or any subsequent  
 15 corresponding internal revenue code of the United States as from time  
 16 to time amended.

17 (b) The Comptroller shall establish a tax-qualified defined  
 18 contribution retirement program to provide retirement investment  
 19 plans, including, but not limited to, SIMPLE plans and payroll deposit  
 20 IRA arrangements, for self-employed individuals, small employers  
 21 and organizations qualifying as tax-exempt pursuant to Section  
 22 501(c)(3) of said Internal Revenue Code. In administering such plan,  
 23 the Comptroller shall seek to minimize costs by helping small  
 24 employers and individuals purchase retirement savings plans,  
 25 arrangements and investments through economies of scale,  
 26 standardization and other measures.

27 (c) In carrying out the provisions of this section, the Comptroller  
 28 shall contract with a third-party administrator for the management of  
 29 such plan or plans and shall recover from program assets expenses  
 30 incurred to initiate, operate and administer the program established  
 31 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section