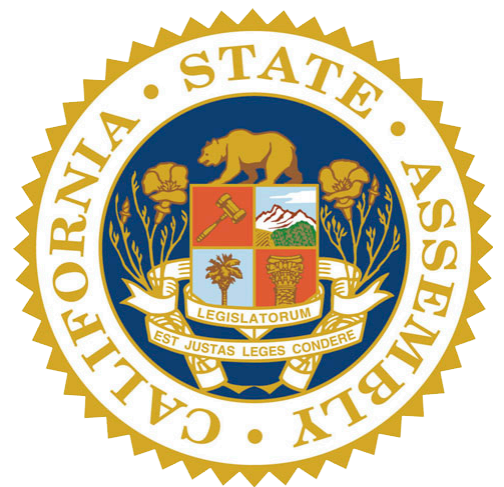


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## Academic Issues

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### [AB-359 \(Holden\) - Pupil instruction: dual enrollment: College and Career Access Pathways partnerships.](#)

Pupil instruction: dual enrollment: College and Career Access Pathways partnerships. Amends the dual enrollment program, College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) partnerships to align with best practices from other dual enrollment programs and to streamline access to dual enrollment for K-12 students throughout the state.

**Veto message:** *This bill makes various changes and clarifications related to the College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) partnerships. Specifically, the bill clarifies that CCAP partnerships can offer dual enrollment opportunities to all pupils, removes CCAP requirements regarding consultation with local workforce boards, enables interested local educational agencies to enter into a CCAP agreement with a community college outside its service area, and clarifies that students should receive college credit for CCAP courses.*

*While I support the author's goal of expanding access and removing barriers to dual enrollment opportunities, this bill creates significant General Fund costs that are not reflected in the state's current fiscal plan.*

*In partnership with the Legislature this year, my Administration has enacted a balanced budget that avoids deep program cuts to vital services and protected investments in education, health care, climate, public safety, housing, and social service programs that millions of Californians rely on. It is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications that are not included in the budget, such as this measure.*

*For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.*

### [AB-458 \(Jones-Sawyer\) - Peace officers.](#)

Requires specified educational standards to become a peace officer.

**Status:** Chapter 440, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-506 \(Mike Fong\) - California State University: graduation requirement: ethnic studies.](#)

Delays implementation of the California State University's ethnic studies graduation requirement by one year.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

### [AB-634 \(Ward\) - Community colleges: career development and college preparation courses.](#)

Requires changes to the way a California Community College may take attendance for certain noncredit courses.

**Status:** Chapter 450, Statutes of 2023

**[AB-654 \(Cervantes\) - University of California: ethnic studies.](#)**

University of California: ethnic studies.

**Status:** Hearing canceled at the request of the author - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**[AB-656 \(McCarty\) - California State University: doctoral programs.](#)**

Authorizes the California State University (CSU) to award professional or applied doctoral degrees statewide that do not duplicate University of California (UC) doctoral degrees and satisfy certain requirements. Requires a CSU campus seeking authorization to offer a professional or applied doctoral degree to submit specified information on the proposed doctoral degree for review by the office of the Chancellor of the CSU, and approval by the CSU Board of Trustees (BOT), as provided. Authorizes a proposed doctoral degree that is approved for implementation by the BOT to be implemented at the CSU systemwide, but would limit the number of doctoral degree programs that may be offered at a California State University campus.

**Status:** Chapter 663, Statutes of 2023

**[AB-689 \(Wendy Carrillo\) - Community colleges: enrollment and registration: incumbent health care workers.](#)**

Establishes a requirement beginning in the 2024-2025 academic year, for limited enrollment course or programs and nursing programs offered at community colleges to reserve placements for incumbent health care workers and requires community colleges to provide priority registration for incumbent health care workers.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**[AB-1096 \(Mike Fong\) - Educational instruction: language of instruction.](#)**

Authorizes a community college to offer courses taught in languages other than English and permits students to enroll in the courses without the requirement to concurrently enrolling in an English as a Second Language course.

**Status:** Chapter 559, Statutes of 2023

**[AB-1255 \(Wendy Carrillo\) - Teacher credentialing: ethnic studies task force.](#)**

Teacher credentialing: ethnic studies task force.

**Status:** Chapter 654, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1291 (McCarty) - University of California Associate Degree for Transfer Pilot Program.**

University of California Associate Degree for Transfer Pilot Program.

**Status:** Chapter 683, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1342 (Megan Dahle) - California College Promise: fee waiver eligibility.**

Requires a community college to consider a high school student as a first-time student for purposes of the California College Promise program, even if the student has previously participated in dual enrollment programs.

**Status:** Chapter 102, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1390 (McCarty) - California State University: University of California: graduation requirements: service learning.**

Requires the California State University and, if the Regents of the University of California adopt an appropriate resolution, the University of California, as an undergraduate graduation requirement, the completion of service learning commencing with students graduating in the 2027–28 academic year, as provided.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-1695 (Gipson) - Career technical education: Nursing Pathway Pilot Program.**

Establishes the Nursing Pathway Pilot Program in high schools to create pathways toward associate degrees in nursing at California Community Colleges, subject to an appropriation.

**Status:** Died - Senate Floor

**AB-1749 (McCarty) - Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act: University of California.**

Expands, commencing with the 2025–2026 academic year (AY), provisions of the Student Transfer Achievement Reform (STAR) Act to additionally require that a student who earns an associate degree for transfer (ADT) be deemed eligible for transfer into a University of California (UC) baccalaureate degree program if they meet certain requirements; requires the UC to guarantee admission with junior status to a California Community College (CCC) student, as specified; and, provides that a student admitted to the UC pursuant to this Act is entitled to receive priority over all other CCC transfer students, excluding CCC students who have entered into a transfer agreement between a CCC and the UC before the fall term of the 2025–2026 AY.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-1839 (Alanis) - Peace officers: education and hiring grants.**

Establishes the Law Enforcement Officer Grant Program provide one-time grant funds to students who commit to working as a peace officer and completes the modern policing

degree program. Also requires the Board of State and Community Corrections to award grants to local law enforcement agencies that are significantly understaffed in order for the agency to provide hiring bonuses for peace officers employed by that agency.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-2057 (Berman) - Associate Degree for Transfer.**

Extends the Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) Intersegmental Implementation Committee (IIC) by two years. This bill further requires that the transfer model curricula used to develop ADTs be submitted to the California Community College Chancellor's Office for high-unit Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics majors by January 1, 2025. This bill requires that the ADT IIC report to the Legislature on actions taken and milestones achieved in progress towards closing equity gaps by race and ethnicity in transfer outcomes.

**Status:** Chapter 696, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2104 (Soria) - Community colleges: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program.**

Requires the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to develop a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing (BSN) Pilot Program that authorizes select community college districts to offer a BSN degree.

**Veto message:** *This bill requires the California Community Colleges (CCC) Chancellor's Office to establish, until January 1, 2031, a Community College Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program for purposes of authorizing 10 community college districts' (CCDs) nursing programs to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.*

*I support the author's intent to expand access to baccalaureate nursing degree programs in underserved communities. The 2024 Budget Agreement included \$60 million per year, from 2025-26 to 2028-29, for the Rebuilding Nursing Infrastructure Grant Program, which may be used to develop or expand Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) partnerships with higher education institutions. These types of partnerships have proven successful in expanding BSN access for community college students and increasing the number of BSN degree recipients. All segments of higher education should continue to focus on building these programs together, and I am concerned this bill could inadvertently undermine that collaboration.*

*Additionally, in recent years, both the CCC and the CSU have been provided with expanded authority to offer independent programs. Given these major changes, a pause should be taken to understand their full impact before additional authorities are granted.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**AB-2152 (McCarty) - California State University: University of California: graduation requirements: service learning pilot program.**

Commencing with the 2026–27 academic year, would require each California State University (CSU) and University of California (UC) campus to provide on its internet website information on service learning programs and opportunities for undergraduate students. The bill, commencing with students graduating in the 2033–34 academic year, would require the CSU and the UC, for at least 3 campuses each, as specified, to adopt a pilot program making the completion of a service learning program a graduation requirement.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-2510 (Arambula) - Dental care for people with developmental disabilities.**

Requires the Department of Developmental Services to contract with a dental school or college in the state, as specified, to establish a statewide program centered in the state’s regional centers.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-2633 (Alvarez) - California State University: joint degrees: international institutions of higher education.**

This bill authorizes the California State University to award undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral degrees jointly with international institutions of higher education.

**Status:** Chapter 729, Statutes of 2024

**AB-3142 (Jones-Sawyer) - Los Angeles Community College District: California Center for Climate Change Education.**

Authorizes the creation of the California Mobile Unit for Climate Change Education for the purpose of promoting hands-on learning opportunities in climate action career fields for community college students.

**Veto message:** *This bill codifies the existing California Center for Climate Change (Center) at the West Los Angeles College in the Los Angeles Community College District and creates the California Mobile Unit for Climate Change Education to assist the Center in promoting hands-on learning opportunities throughout the region.*

*Although establishing and operating the California Mobile Unit for Climate Change Education is a laudable goal, this bill could create significant Proposition 98 General Fund cost pressures that are not reflected in the state's current fiscal plan.*

*In partnership with the Legislature this year, my Administration has enacted a balanced budget that avoids deep program cuts to vital services and protected investments in education, health care, climate, public safety, housing, and social service programs that millions of Californians rely*

*on. It is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications that are not included in the budget, such as this measure.*

*For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.*

**SB-444 (Newman) - Community colleges: Mathematics, Engineering, Science, Achievement (MESA) programs.**

Requires the California Community College Board of Governors to adopt regulations for the establishment and implementation of Mathematics, Engineering, Science, Achievement (MESA) programs and establishes statewide standards for the operation of MESA programs for the purpose of expanding access to and increasing success in MESA programs for community college students.

**Status:** Chapter 872, Statutes of 2023

**SB-895 (Roth) - Community colleges: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program.**

Requires the California Community College Chancellor's Office to establish a Community College Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that would authorize 10 community college districts to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

**Veto message:** *This bill requires the California Community Colleges (CCC) Chancellor's Office to establish a Community College Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that would authorize 10 community college districts to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.*

*I appreciate the author's commitment to expanding access to baccalaureate nursing degree programs for community college students. The 2024 Budget Agreement included \$60 million per year, from 2025-26 to 2028-29, for the Rebuilding Nursing Infrastructure Grant Program, which may be used to develop or expand Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) partnerships with higher education institutions. These types of partnerships have proven successful in expanding BSN access for community college students and increasing the number of BSN degree recipients. All segments of higher education should continue to focus on building these programs together, and I am concerned this bill could inadvertently undermine that collaboration.*

*Additionally, in recent years, both the CCC and the CSU have been provided with expanded authority to offer independent programs. Given these major changes, a pause should be taken to understand their full impact before additional authorities are granted.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**SB-1183 (Hurtado) - Community colleges: registered nursing programs.**

Adds "living in a medically underserved area or population area" and proficiency in the various languages of the African continent to the criteria for consideration under the multicriteria screening tool for impacted nursing programs at community colleges and

extends the sunset date for the nursing program multicriteria screening tool to January 1, 2030.

**Status:** Chapter 786, Statutes of 2024

**SB-1233 (Wilk) - University of California: Western University of Health Sciences: veterinary medicine: spay and neuter techniques.**

Authorizes a California veterinary medical school to develop a high-quality, high-volume spay and neuter certification programs program to be offered as elective coursework to enrolled students, as specified.

**Status:** Chapter 613, Statutes of 2024

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## Access & Affordability

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### [AB-25 \(McCarty\) - Student financial aid: Middle Class Scholarship Program.](#)

Requires the Department of Finance (DOF), following a growth of General Fund revenues for two consecutive fiscal years, to fund the cost of the Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) over the 5 fiscal years following that growth, as specified.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

### [AB-91 \(Alvarez\) - Community colleges: exemption from nonresident tuition fee: San Diego and Imperial Counties Community Colleges Association.](#)

Exempts, until January 1, 2029, from the nonresident tuition fee, a nonresident, low-income student who is a resident of México (MX), registers for lower division courses at specified community colleges near the California-México border, as defined, and has residence within 45 miles of the California-México border.

**Status:** Chapter 796, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-252 \(Holden\) - The College Athlete Protection Act.](#)

Establishes the College Athlete Protection Act for purposes of providing various rights, benefits, and protections to college athletes.

**Status:** Hearing canceled at the request of the author - Senate Education Committee

### [AB-255 \(Alanis\) - Public postsecondary education: priority registration for first responders.](#)

Requires by July 1, 2024, for community college districts and the California State University and requests the University of California to grant priority registration, if applicable, to students employed as first responders, as defined.

**Status:** Chapter 643, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-263 \(Jones-Sawyer\) - Public postsecondary education: pilot program for free cost of education: working group.](#)

Requires the California Student Aid Commission to convene a working group until July 1, 2026, to research and develop recommendations for the creation of a pilot program that would cover the costs of postsecondary education in the state by replacing the system of charging students tuition and fees, and addressing additional expenses associated with attendance at a public postsecondary institution.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee



**AB-368 (Holden) - College and Career Access Pathways partnerships.**

Requires community colleges, who participate in College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) partnerships to provide priority registration for participating high school students. Adds clarity to existing sections of the CCAP partnerships by defining “underrepresented in high education” and that courses offered in a CCAP partnerships may be provided to students on either a high school campus or a community college campus. Makes a clarifying update on the reporting requirements for CCAP partnerships.

**Status:** Chapter 521, Statutes of 2023

**AB-376 (Villapudua) - Student financial aid: Cal Grant C: driver training programs: commercial motor vehicles.**

Establishes a pilot program available until January 1, 2028 for the purpose of expanding Cal Grant C eligibility to students participating in entry-level truck driving programs that meet specific requirements.

**Veto message:** *This bill would establish a pilot program available until January 1, 2028, for the purpose of expanding Cal Grant C eligibility to students participating in entry-level truck driving programs that meet specific requirements. This bill also requires the California Student Aid Commission, in consultation with the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, to submit a report to the Legislature, by April 1, 2027, about the pilot program.*

*I thank the author for his commitment to address the driver shortage in the trucking industry. However, this bill results in significant General Fund cost pressures and staff workload that are not currently part of the state's fiscal plan and are more appropriately addressed in the annual budget process.*

*In partnership with the Legislature, we enacted a budget that closed a shortfall of more than \$30 billion through balanced solutions that avoided deep program cuts and protected education, health care, climate, public safety, and social service programs that are relied on by millions of Californians. This year, however, the Legislature sent me bills outside of this budget process that, if all enacted, would add nearly \$19 billion of unaccounted costs in the budget, of which \$11 billion would be ongoing.*

*With our state facing continuing economic risk and revenue uncertainty, it is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications, such as this measure.*

*For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.*

**AB-395 (Reyes) - California Community College Guided Pathways Grant Program.**

Requires community colleges by August 1, 2024, and every even year thereafter, to develop an education plan for course sequences and course offerings for the next two

consecutive academic years. Requires community colleges to provide the education plan to the Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges by January 1, 2025, and every even year thereafter, and requires the Chancellor's Office to submit a summary report to the Legislature by June 1, 2025, and every even year thereafter.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-607 (Kalra) - Public postsecondary education: course materials.**

Requires, commencing July 1, 2024, each campus of the California Community Colleges (CCC) and the California State University (CSU), and requests each campus of the University of California (UC) to prominently display, by means that may include a link to a separate internet web page, the estimated costs for each course of all required course materials and fees directly related to those materials, for no less than 40% by January 1, 2025; 55% by January 1, 2026; 65% by January 1, 2027; and, 75% by January 1, 2028, of the total number of courses on the online campus course schedule for which a faculty member or course instructor has been assigned.

**Status:** Chapter 660, Statutes of 2023

**AB-638 (McCarty) - Golden State Teacher Grant Program.**

Requires, commencing on or after January 1, 2024, student candidates of the Golden State Teacher Grant Program to commit to work for four years in a shortage area, as designated by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, at any California public or private school.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-680 (Blanca Rubio) - Public postsecondary education: nonresident tuition: exemption.**

Authorizes an alternative path to tuition exemptions for nonresident students of California Community Colleges by allowing nonresident students to complete either 60-semester units of credit or 90-quarter units at any campus of the California Community Colleges or earn an associate degree for transfer.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-746 (Sanchez) - Learning-Aligned Employment Program: eligibility and priority.**

Expands the eligibility for the Learning – Aligned Employment Program (LAEP) to all students who demonstrate a financial need and other specified requirements, establishes priority of participation to students who are from an underrepresented background as defined by the California Student Aid Commission, and permits public postsecondary education institutions to employ students participating in the LAEP if the employment aligns with student's major or provides students with the skills necessary for employment in their area of study.

**Veto Message:** *This bill would modify eligibility for the Learning-Aligned Employment Program to remove specific restrictions on students working for public postsecondary educational institutions.*

*The Learning-Aligned Employment Program was established in 2021 to offer eligible students at public institutions of higher education the opportunity to defray the cost of attendance while gaining education-aligned, career-related employment outside the classroom. It is a priority of my Administration to increase the connectivity between students and career experiences in placements beyond the confines of their college campus. With \$500 million committed to this program, it is an essential tool for increasing student awareness of career opportunities as well as developing skills for future career success. The provisions of this bill undermine the intent and purpose of the Learning-Aligned Employment Program.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**[AB-789 \(Berman\) - Student financial aid: Cal Grants: satisfactory academic progress.](#)**

Requires, commencing by the start of the 2024-25 academic year, as part of the criteria to be a qualifying institution under the Cal Grant Program, an institution of higher education to comply with various requirements regarding “satisfactory academic progress” (SAP) standards used to determine if a student qualifies for a Cal Grant and to develop and implement policies defining SAP in a manner that is consistent with the federal standards.

**Status:** Chapter 544, Statutes of 2023

**[AB-888 \(Cervantes\) - Student financial aid: immigrants seeking asylum.](#)**

Extends eligibility for the Cal Grant Program to students who are noncitizens that have filed a designated application for asylum, to the same extent as citizens and other eligible noncitizens, as provided under existing law.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**[AB-1062 \(Santiago\) - Public postsecondary education: California State University: tuition.](#)**

This bill would prohibit the charging of tuition or mandatory systemwide fees for enrollment at a campus of the California State University (CSU) for any academic year, for up to two academic years, to a California Community College resident transfer student who has completed an associate degree for transfer and demonstrates financial need, as provided. The bill would also require the Chancellor of the CSU to distribute funding to each CSU campus to offset the costs of waiving tuition and mandatory systemwide fees to transfer students pursuant to the bill, as specified.

**Status:** Assembly Higher Education Committee

**[AB-1237 \(Petrie-Norris\) - Student financial aid: California Public Interest Veterinary Debt Relief Program.](#)**

Establishes the California Public Interest Veterinary Debt Relief Program under the administration of the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) to award funds to California-licensed veterinarians, in relief of their educational loan debt, as defined, who enter into a contract with CSAC to provide veterinary services in eligible premises settings, as defined, on a full-time basis, as specified.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**[AB-1245 \(McCarty\) - Community colleges: childcare providers: course fee waivers.](#)**

Requires a community college district to provide a fee waiver for students who are employed as a childcare provider for courses related to early childhood education or courses offered in an approved educational program leading to an associate degree or an associate degree for transfer.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**[AB-1400 \(Bryan\) - Student financial aid: College Access Tax Credit Fund: community college student transfers: Historically Black Colleges and Universities.](#)**

Re-purposes the College Access Tax Credit Fund, which was established to supplement Cal Grant awards for students enrolled at California-based colleges, to instead be used to cover college costs for California Community College students seeking to transfer to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) located outside of California, as defined.

**Status:** Chapter 278, Statutes of 2023

**[AB-1411 \(Ta\) - Public postsecondary education: systemwide fee or tuition waivers: online posting or notice.](#)**

Requires, without regard to whether the campus has an internet website, the College of the Law, San Francisco, and each campus of the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and if the regents adopt an appropriate resolution, each campus of the University of California to provide the online posting or notice of systemwide fees or tuition waivers.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**[AB-1540 \(Mike Fong\) - Postsecondary education: nonresident tuition: exemption.](#)**

Authorizes the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) to collect an AB 540 affidavit from a student; and, requires the California State University (CSU) and the California

Community Colleges (CCC), and requests the University of California (UC) and independent institutions of higher education, to accept an AB 540 affidavit provided by CSAC.

**Status:** Chapter 584, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1780 (Ting) - Independent institutions of higher education: legacy and donor preference in admissions: prohibition.**

Prohibits an independent institution of higher education (also known as an independent California College or University), from providing legacy or donor preference in admissions decisions and requires these institutions to report to the Legislature and the Department of Justice regarding their compliance with the prohibition.

**Status:** Chapter 1006, Statutes of 2024

**AB-1793 (Ta) - Student financial aid: Cal Grants: Middle Class Scholarship Program: eligibility: dependents of members of the armed services stationed outside of California.**

Extends Cal Grant and Middle Class Scholarship Program eligibility for certain state to family members of a member of the armed forces who maintains California as their state of residence, even if the family member did not graduate from a California high school.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-1885 (Addis) - Student Success Completion Grant program.**

Extends eligibility, commencing with the 2025-26 academic year, for the California Community College Student Success Completion Grant program to students who enroll in 9 or more units per semester, or the equivalent, and are considered full-time as part of the Disabled Student Programs and Services Academic Accommodation Plan.

**Status:** Chapter 685, Statutes of 2024

**AB-1887 (Cervantes) - Student financial aid: application deadlines: extension.**

Extends the April 2, 2024, application deadline for financial aid programs administered by the California Student Aid Commission by one month.

**Status:** Chapter 5, Statutes of 2024

**AB-1927 (Alanis) - Golden State Teacher Grant Program: career technical education instructors.**

Expands eligibility for the Golden State Teacher Grant program to prospective teachers pursuing their career technical education credential, if the candidate commits to working at a priority school for four years within the eight years following the date the candidate completes the professional preparation program.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-2027 (Gipson) - Student financial aid: College Access Tax Credit Fund: community college student transfers: partnered Historically Black Colleges and Universities.**

Expands grant eligibility for California Community College students who transfer to Historically Black Colleges and Universities to include students attending a college or university listed as "black serving" which is located in California, as defined. Utilizes the existing College Access Tax Credit, which gives California donors a 50% tax credit for any donation made to the fund, to award students a one-time grant of up to \$5,000. Adds Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science to the list of institutions where students may qualify for the grant.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-2184 (Davies) - Student financial aid: Cal Grant C and Cal Grant 2.**

Sets, commencing with the 2025-26 award year, upon appropriation in the annual Budget Act, the maximum per-student Cal Grant C award amount at no less than double the maximum per-student Cal Grant C award amount provided for the 2023-24 award year.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-2349 (Wilson) - Public postsecondary education: Cal-Bridge Program.**

Establishes the Cal-Bridge Program as an intersegmental partnership program between the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California, with a mission of creating a pathway that promotes the advancement of California's diverse undergraduate public postsecondary student population majoring in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines to pursue STEM doctors of philosophy and become members of California's professorate or leaders in California's technology industry.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-2458 (Berman) - Public postsecondary education: student parents.**

Establishes the Greater Accessibility, Information, Notice, and Support for Student Parents Act; requires the California Community Colleges (CCC) Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) and California State University (CSU) Chancellor's Office and requests the University of California (UC) President's Office, by July 31, 2025, to develop and disseminate a model policy to estimate and adjust college cost of attendance information for student parents. It further requires each campus of the CCC and the CSU and requests each campus of the UC to take various steps to adjust the cost of

attendance for student parents. Lastly, this bill requires certain information related to benefits for student parents to be included on college and university webpages.

**Status:** Chapter 962, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2500 (Mike Fong) - Student financial aid: application deadlines: postponement.**

Requires the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) to grant up to 30 additional days beyond an application deadline for any financial aid program administered by CSAC, if the CSAC receives and approves a formal request to postpone the application deadline from a local educational agency or institution of higher education that is eligible to receive state funds for student financial assistance. It further requires that in order to grant the requested extension CSAC certify a qualifying event has occurred such as a natural disaster. Lastly, this bill authorizes the CSAC to grant a financial aid program application deadline extension without it being requested if a state of emergency is declared.

**Status:** Chapter 404, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2507 (Friedman) - Student financial aid: Students at Risk of Homelessness Emergency Pilot Program.**

Establishes the Students at Risk of Homelessness Emergency Pilot Program for a nonprofit organization to award interest-free loans to eligible students attending the University of California, Los Angeles, the University of California, Merced, the California State University, Northridge, and Glendale Community College.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-2707 (Mike Fong) - Community colleges: student housing: study.**

Requires the Legislative Analyst's Office to conduct a study evaluating the demographics and unique issues, and barriers that housing insecure California Community Colleges students and older students with dependents, as defined, face in securing housing.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-2768 (Berman) - Golden State Teacher Grant Program: nonpublic, nonsectarian schools.**

Expands eligibility for the Golden State Teacher Grant program to a prospective teacher who commits to working in a nonpublic nonsectarian school for students with exceptional needs.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-2821 (Grayson) - Postsecondary education: students with disabilities.**

Requires the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges and the Trustees of the California State University, and would request the University of California and the

governing boards of independent institutions of higher education, to provide, as part of existing college personnel onboarding and training, a Disability Access and Compliance Training Program that meets prescribed requirements.

**Status:** Chapter 905, Statutes of 2024

**AB-3015 (Ramos) - Public postsecondary education: exemption from nonresident tuition and fees: federally recognized Indian tribes.**

Entitles a student to resident classification only for the purpose of determining tuition and fees if the student is a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe, as defined, whose tribal land lies across the state border of California and Arizona, Nevada, or Oregon, and the student has a residence in the bordering state.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-3034 (Low) - Public postsecondary education: waiver of tuition and fees: California Conservation Corps.**

Requires the California State University, and requests the University of California, to waive tuition and mandatory systemwide fees to a full-time student who has served in the California Conservations Corps for at least one year, and meets specified eligibility requirements.

**Veto Message:** *The bill requires the California State University, and requests that the University of California, waive tuition and mandatory fees for two years for full-time students who have served in the California Conservation Corps for at least one year and meet specified eligibility requirements.*

*I appreciate the author's commitment to college affordability and rewarding public service. Unfortunately, this bill could create ongoing significant General Fund cost pressures in the millions of dollars not included in the 2024 Budget Act.*

*In partnership with the Legislature this year, my Administration has enacted a balanced budget that avoids deep program cuts to vital services and protected investments in education, health care, climate, public safety, housing, and social service programs that millions of Californians rely on. It is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications that are not included in the budget, such as this measure.*

*For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.*



**AB-3112 (Essayli) - Postsecondary education: tuition increases: Consumer Price Index.**

Prohibits the California Community Colleges, California State University, or independent institutions of higher education, from increasing their tuition by more than the U.S. Consumer Price Index (CPI) from the previous year, beginning in 2029-30. Prohibits the University of California, as a condition of receiving the Cal Grant, from increasing tuition by more than the CPI from the previous year, beginning in 2029-30.

**Status:** Canceled at the request of the author - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**AB-3131 (McCarty) - California Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Program: Strong Workforce Program: equity multiplier: historically redlined communities.**

Adds the criteria of whether a local education agency is receiving additional funding through the Local Control Funding Formula Equity Multiplier to be considered when the Strong Workforce Program K-12 Selection Committee select applicants for career technical education funds.

**Status:** Chapter 434, Statutes of 2024

**AB-3158 (Berman) - Community colleges: West Valley-Mission Community College District.**

Permits the governing board of West Valley-Mission Community College District to use their unrestricted general funds to establish a tuition fee waiver and to provide financial assistance for the total cost of attendance for qualifying students, as defined.

**Status:** Chapter 435, Statutes of 2024

**AB-3240 (Calderon) - California Ban on Scholarship Displacement Act of 2021: Cal Grant awards.**

Extends the California Ban on Scholarship Displacement Act of 2021 protections on institutional gift aid to students who are eligible for a Cal Grant award, commencing July 1, 2025.

**Status:** Chapter 851, Statutes of 2024

**SB-307 (Ashby) - Middle Class Scholarship Program: community colleges: current and former foster youth.**

Expands eligibility for the Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) to community college students who are current or former foster youth pursuing transfer to a four-year postsecondary educational institution, an associate degree, an associate degree for transfer, or a certificate. This bill additional relaxes eligibility MCS requirements for this group of students.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**SB-467 (Portantino) - Community colleges: apprenticeship or internship training programs.**

Prohibits a California Community College student from being denied admission to an apprenticeship or internship training program because the student uses an individual tax identification number, rather than a social security number, for purposes of any background check required by the class or program.

**Status:** Chapter 73, Statutes of 2023

**SB-633 (Gonzalez) - California DREAM Loan Program: DREAM grants.**

Authorizes, commencing with the 2024-25 academic year, a California State University or University of California campus that participates in the DREAM Loan Program to award DREAM grants to eligible students, as defined, if that campus has unawarded funds in the institution's DREAM Loan revolving fund.

**Status:** Chapter 622, Statutes of 2023

**SB-661 (Bradford) - Student Athlete Bill of Rights.**

Expands the rights that student athletes who attend an institution of higher education (IHE), as defined, and removes the requirement on IHE, to rely exclusively on revenue derived from media to defray any costs accrued from affording these benefits to student athletes.

**Status:** Chapter 625, Statutes of 2023

**SB-856 (Glazer) - California State University students: California Promise: Finish in Four and Through in Two.**

Renames the California Promise the Finish in Four and Through in Two program and requires each participating California State University campus to automatically enroll all incoming first-time students in the program, with the option for students to opt out; and, requires that a participating campus maintain at least 5% of each incoming class in the program, and that at least 70% of those participating undergraduates students be either low-income students, first-generation, or underrepresented students in higher education.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

\*\*\*Entire contents of this measure were amended into AB 1205 (Bauer-Kahan, Chapter 677, Statutes of 2024). \*\*\*

**SB-971 (Portantino) - Community colleges: exemption from nonresident tuition fee: resident of a region impacted by war or regional conflict.**

Allows Glendale Community College District or the Contra Costa Community College District to exempt from nonresident tuition fees a low-income student who is a resident of a region impacted by war or regional conflict and limits the number of students who

may be exempted in any given academic year to no more than 75 full-time equivalent students at a community college.

**Veto message:** *This bill allows Glendale Community College District and the Contra Costa Community College District to exempt up to 75 full-time equivalent, low-income students from nonresident tuition fees who are residents of a region impacted by war or regional conflict.*

*I appreciate the author's commitment to college affordability for individuals living in his district. However, this bill creates both Proposition 98 General Fund and non-Proposition 98 General Fund costs that were not accounted for in the 2024 Budget Act and could generate potentially significant future cost pressures. Notably, individuals impacted by war or conflict may already qualify for one or more of the existing exemption categories.*

*In partnership with the Legislature this year, my Administration has enacted a balanced budget that avoids deep program cuts to vital services and protected investments in education, health care, climate, public safety, housing, and social service programs that millions of Californians rely on. It is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications that are not included in the budget, such as this measure.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**[SB-1322 \(Wahab\) - Foster youth: Chafee Educational and Training Vouchers Program.](#)**

Expands eligibility for the Chafee Grant to eligible youth who were in foster care at some time between the ages of 15 and 18, instead of 16 and 18, contingent upon an appropriation, commencing with the 2025-26 award year.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

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## Administration & Governance

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### [AB-226 \(Ramos\) - University of California: California Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 2001.](#)

Requires additional audits in 2024 and 2026 by the California State Auditor regarding University of California's (UC) compliance with federal and state laws (Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act [NAGPRA]) relating to Native American remains and cultural items. Further, this measure strongly urges, annually by June 30, 2024, and annually thereafter, on each UC campus' progress towards completing repatriation of Native American remains and cultural items. Additionally, this measure strongly urges the UC Office of the President to provide funding to support each UC Campus' efforts towards repatriation. Lastly, this bill strongly urges UC to prohibit use of any Native American human remains or cultural items for the purpose of teaching or research at UC.

**Status:** Chapter 639, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-266 \(Boerner\) - Legislative Internship Program.](#)

Establishes the Legislative Internship Program under the jurisdiction and administration of the California State University's Center for California Studies for the purpose of providing paid internship positions in the offices of elected officials of the California State Assembly and Senate.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

### [AB-320 \(Lee\) - Student Aid Commission.](#)

Expands the California Student Aid Commission to include two additional student members.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Senate Education Committee

### [AB-389 \(Ramos\) - Native American repatriation: California Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 2001: California State University.](#)

Requires the California State University to comply with various requirements related to the handling, maintenance, and repatriation of Native American human remains and cultural items under the California Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 2001.

**Status:** Chapter 649, Statutes of 2023

**AB-456 (Maienschein) - Public postsecondary education: campus mental health hotlines.**

Requires the California Community College Chancellor and the California State University Chancellor to develop a plan to make a campus mental health hotline available to students on their respective campuses.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-951 (Cervantes) - University of California: law school.**

Appropriates an unspecified sum of moneys from the General Fund to the Regents of the University of California (UC) each fiscal year, commencing with the 2024–25 fiscal year, to be expended only for the creation, construction, and establishment of a public law school in the County of Riverside administered by the UC.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing – Assembly Higher Education Committee

**AB-1160 (Pacheco) - Protecting Students from Creditor Colleges Act.**

Prohibits an institution of higher education, as defined, from taking specified actions, including, among other things, placing an enrollment or registration hold on a current or former student’s account, on the grounds that the student owes an institutional debt, as defined. Requires the governing boards of institutions of higher education, and request the office of the President of the University of California (UC), to require each institution to report, every other year, specified information regarding the number and dollar amount of institutional debts at each institution.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-1162 (Hoover) - State educational entities: Educational Innovation and Planning Commission.**

Seeks to repeal the provisions of the Educational Innovation and Planning Commission, as specified, thereby eliminating the Commission.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Assembly Education Committee

**AB-1275 (Arambula) - Community colleges: student-run community college organizations: open meetings: teleconferences.**

Authorizes the recognized statewide community college student organization and other student-run community college organizations to use teleconferencing for their meetings without having to post agendas at all teleconferencing locations, identify each teleconference location in the notice and agenda, make each teleconference location accessible to the public, and require that a quorum of the student organization’s members participate from a singular physical location.

**Status:** On September 13, 2023, this bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee and held in the Senate Rules Committee.

**[AB-1541 \(Mike Fong\) - Community colleges: governing board membership: student members.](#)**

Authorizes student member(s) of the governing board of each community college district to cast an advisory vote immediately before votes are cast by the regularly elected members of the governing board.

**Status:** Chapter 103, Statutes of 2023

**[AB-1542 \(Mike Fong\) - Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges: student members: Student Success Completion Grant program awards.](#)**

Stipulates funds from the California Community Colleges Student Success Completion Grant Program be awarded to student members of the California Community Colleges Board of Governors.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Senate Education Committee

**[AB-1855 \(Arambula\) - Open meetings: teleconferences: community college student body associations.](#)**

Allows a community college student body association, as defined, to teleconference without meeting all of the teleconferencing requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Brown Act).

**Status:** Chapter 232, Statutes of 2024

**[AB-2070 \(Cervantes\) - Trustees of the California State University: faculty appointees.](#)**

Require the board of trustees of the California State University (CSU) to include a second faculty member appointed by the Governor. Additionally requires each faculty member appointee to be appointed from a list of names of at least four persons, instead of at least two persons, furnished by the Academic Senate of the CSU.

**Status:** Died - Assembly Floor – Inactive File

**[AB-2080 \(Arambula\) - University of California: medical school admissions: preference.](#)**

Requests the University of California (UC) to annually report and post on its website data on students enrolled in a UC school of medicine and requests the information reported comply with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

**Status:** Chapter 819, Statutes of 2024

**[AB-2363 \(Ta\) - Student Aid Commission: membership.](#)**

Student Aid Commission: membership.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**AB-2398 (Kalra) - California State University: audits.**

Requires an external financial audit of each campus of the California State University (CSU) to be conducted by January 1, 2028, and requires all audits of the CSU or any of its campuses, including audits conducted by the CSU's internal audit staff, to be available to the public.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-2516 (Santiago) - Trustees of the California State University: bargaining unit representative.**

Adds a bargaining unit representative selected for a 2-year term by the California State University Labor Council to the California State University Board of Trustees.

**Status:** Died - Assembly Floor – Inactive File

**AB-2834 (Rendon) - Public postsecondary education: part-time faculty.**

Adds to the policy preferences of the Legislature that the names of part-time faculty be listed in the schedule of classes and the course schedule provided to students, faculty, and staff, once they are assigned to a course.

**Status:** Chapter 418, Statutes of 2024

**AB-3167 (Chen) - California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009: highly qualified nonprofit institution.**

Authorizes, beginning July 1, 2025, a "highly qualified nonprofit institution," as specified, to register with California's Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**SB-61 (Dodd) - University of California: California Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 2001.**

Requires the University of California Office of the President, as a condition for using state funds to handle and maintain Native American human remains and cultural items, to comply with various requirements regarding the repatriation of Native American human and cultural items.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**SB-433 (Cortese) - Classified school and community college employees: disciplinary hearings: appeals: impartial third-party hearing officers.**

Establishes an appeal process for classified staff employed by either a K-12 or community college district who have received notice of a disciplinary action from their employer, the governing board of the K-12 or community college district.

**Veto Message:** *This bill requires an impartial third-party hearing officer to hear disciplinary appeals of permanent classified personnel at school or community college nonmerit districts. This bill also requires the district to pay for the third-party hearing officer, and for the third-party hearing officer to be jointly selected by the district and the classified employee from a list of arbitrators, unless the parties agree otherwise.*

*Under the status quo for certificated employees, the district absorbs the full cost of appeals hearings if the employee prevails. If it is determined that the certificated employee should be dismissed or suspended, the cost is shared equally with the State and the district. This bill for classified employees requires districts to bear the full costs of a disciplinary hearing before an arbitrator, no matter the outcome. This could increase the number of appeals and would create significant costs for the State and must be considered in the annual budget in the context of all state funding priorities.*

*In partnership with the Legislature, we enacted a budget that closed a shortfall of more than \$30 billion through balanced solutions that avoided deep program cuts and protected education, health care, climate, public safety, and social service programs that are relied on by millions of Californians. This year, however, the Legislature sent me bills outside of this budget process that, if all enacted, would add nearly \$19 billion of unaccounted costs in the budget, of which \$11 billion would be ongoing.*

*With our state facing continuing economic risk and revenue uncertainty, it is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications, such as this measure.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**[SB-995 \(Padilla\) - California State University: High-Quality Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act.](#)**

Requires the California State University (CSU) Chancellor and the California Community Colleges (CCC) Chancellor to develop a pilot program to create a new pathway that will allow a CCC student to complete a baccalaureate degree and a teaching credential at a CSU in four years.

**Status** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**[SB-1411 \(Ochoa Bogh\) - Instructional Quality Commission: curriculum framework and evaluation criteria committee: higher education faculty representation.](#)**

Requires when the Instructional Quality Commission revises a curriculum framework, to ensure the associated curriculum framework and evaluation criteria committee includes representation from higher education faculty with relevant subject matter expertise. Permits the Intersegmental Committee of Academic Senates to nominate two faculty



from the public higher education segments for consideration to serve on the relevant curriculum framework and evaluation criteria committee for this purpose.

**Veto Message:** *This bill requires the Instructional Quality Commission (IQC), when it revises a curriculum framework in mathematics or science, to ensure representation from higher education faculty with relevant subject matter expertise on the associated Curriculum Framework and Evaluation Criteria Committee (CFCC). It also authorizes the Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates (ICAS) to nominate two faculty from California public institutions of higher education for consideration to serve on the relevant CFCC.*

*Strong collaborations between higher education and K-12 regarding state curriculum guidance and decision-making, including requirements for secondary course offerings and university admissions, are consistent with the State's goal to ensure successful student transitions to college and career. However, this bill is unnecessary, as higher education content experts have been represented on the CFCC. Further, this bill seeks to insert a nomination process relating to committee selection that strays from the established competitive application process that provides equal opportunity for all qualified individuals, including representatives of ICAS, to apply for consideration.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

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## Budget & Finance

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### [AB-247 \(Muratsuchi\) - Education finance: school facilities: Kindergarten Through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2024.](#)

Makes changes to the existing School Facility Program (SFP) and establishes the Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024 in the amount of \$10 billion to be approved by the voters for the November 2024 statewide ballot.

**Status:** Chapter 81, Statutes of 2024

### [AB-377 \(Muratsuchi\) - Career technical education: California Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Program: Strong Workforce Program.](#)

Combines the California Career Technical Education Incentive Grant (CTEIG) Program and the K-12 Strong Workforce Program into the CTEIG program administered by the California Department of Education (CDE). Increases the funding for the CTEIG program to \$450 million, requires the CDE to provide staff at the state and regional level for technical assistance to local education agencies (LEAs) applying for the CTEIG program, and establishes a stakeholder workgroup to provide programmatic improvements to the CTEIG program.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

### [AB-973 \(Soria\) - University of California, San Francisco, San Joaquin Valley Regional Campus Medical Education Endowment Fund.](#)

Increased by \$250,000,000 the balance that is required to be achieved and maintained in the University of California, San Francisco, San Joaquin Valley Regional Campus Medical Education Endowment Fund, to be deemed sufficient.

**Status:** Canceled at the request of the author - Assembly Higher Education Committee

### [AB-2076 \(McCarty\) - California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund Act of 2022: state fund loan.](#)

Requires the State Controller to loan \$200 million from the Pooled Money Investment Account and deposit it into the Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund for 30-year loans to the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California to support affordable student, faculty, and staff housing.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-2357 (Bains) - University of California: school of medicine: University of California San Joaquin Valley Regional Campus Medical Education Endowment Fund.**

Establishes the University of California (UC) Kern County Medical Education Endowment Fund for the purposes of supporting the operating costs associated with establishing a branch campus of an existing UC Medical School in Kern County.

**Status:** Chapter 959, Statutes of 2024

**Signing Message:** *I am signing Assembly Bill 2357, which establishes the University of California (UC) Kern County Medical Education Endowment Fund for the purposes of supporting the operating costs associated with establishing a branch campus of the existing UC Medical School in Kern County.*

*Efforts to expand opportunities for medical education in the Central Valley are underway, thanks to significant investments made in partnership with this Legislature. Most recently, the 2024 Budget Act provided a \$14.5 million ongoing General Fund to create a UC Merced medical school, which has been in the planning process for more than a decade. This new investment is on top of the \$15 million in ongoing funding provided in the 2020 Budget Act, to support the UC San Francisco (UCSF) School of Medicine, Fresno Partnership Branch. Students participating in this program will receive a baccalaureate degree from UC Merced and a Doctor of Medicine from UCSF Fresno.*

*I agree with the author that providing educational opportunities in medically underserved areas is an important strategy for reducing physician shortages and for economic development. Given the significant cost pressures associated with developing, sustaining, and operating a new medical school, the state and its resources should first focus on implementing the current medical education expansion projects in the Central Valley. This bill is intended to draw in philanthropic dollars, and can complement the state's efforts, including determining the feasibility of expanding these opportunities to Kern County.*

**AB-2395 (Quirk-Silva) - California State University: extension programs, special session, and self-supporting instructional programs: revenues.**

Expands how revenues from California State University's (CSU) continuing education program may be spent and authorizes the CSU Board of Trustees to transmit continuing education program revenues directly to CSU campus trust funds.

**Status:** Chapter 828, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2447 (Valencia) - California State University: expenditures: internet website.**

Requires the California State University (CSU) to develop and maintain, on or before July 1, 2026, a fiscal transparency internet website that allows the public to search and aggregate information on the expenditures and transfers of funds by the CSU in amounts that exceed \$25,000, as specified.

**Veto Message:** *This bill requires the California State University (CSU) to develop and maintain a fiscal transparency website displaying expenditures and transfers of state funds in amounts greater than \$25,000 by July 1, 2026.*

*The CSU voluntarily maintains a Fiscal Transparency Portal, accessible to the public, that provides data largely consistent with this bill. The existing database presents aggregate data on expenditures of \$50,000 or more over the past five fiscal years, broken down by program and by expense type. Including additional transactions greater than \$25,000 would place additional cost pressures on the CSU budget at a time when the system is preparing to implement ongoing state appropriations reductions.*

*In partnership with the Legislature this year, my Administration has enacted a balanced budget that avoids deep program cuts to vital services and protected investments in education, health care, climate, public safety, housing, and social service programs that millions of Californians rely on. It is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications that are not included in the budget, such as this measure.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**AB-2508 (McCarty) - Student financial aid: California Kids Investment and Development Savings (KIDS) Program: foster youth.**

Requires the Scholarshare Investment Board, subject to appropriation and until January 1, 2029, to open a California Kids Investment and Development Savings Program account for a student in the foster care system in grades one to 12 if an account has not already been established; and, requires the account of a student in the foster care system to receive a one-time enhanced deposit of \$500. It further authorizes the additional enhanced deposit of \$500 for those foster youth who did not previously receive an enhanced deposit that was previously provided to low-income students.

**Status:** Chapter 622, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2571 (Papan) - School district and community college district bonds: school facilities.**

Establishes a definition of the term “school facilities” as it relates to local school facilities bond elections in school districts and California Community College districts and delineates the purposes for which school bonds may be issued.

**Status:** Canceled at the request of the author - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**AB-3081 (Arambula) - Public postsecondary education: University of California, Merced: medical education.**

Appropriates \$15 million from the General Fund to the Regents of the University of California (UC) on or before July 1, 2025, and each July 1 thereafter, for allocation to the UC Merced (UCM) Medical Education Collaborative, and requires UCM Medical

Education Collaborative, as a condition of receiving the appropriation, to develop a program, consistent with its mission, and in conjunction with the health facilities of its medical residency programs, to identify eligible medical residents and to assist those medical residents in applying for physician retention programs.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-3110 (Mike Fong) - Community colleges: preapprenticeship programs.**

Permits community college noncredit courses associated with a preapprenticeship programs to be eligible for state apportionment funding.

**Status:** Canceled at the request of the author - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**SB-28 (Glazer) - Education finance: school facilities: Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2024.**

Authorizes a \$15 billion bond measure for the construction and modernization of public preschool, K-12, California Community College (CCC), University of California (UC), and California State University (CSU) facilities to be placed on the ballot for the March 2024 statewide primary election. Of the \$15 billion, \$9 billion is to be used for preschool to grade 12 school facilities. Specifically, \$2.8 billion is for new construction, \$5.2 billion is for modernization, \$500 million is for charter schools, and \$500 million is for career technical education. The remaining \$6 billion is to be used for higher education facilities. Specifically, \$2 million for CCC, \$2 million for CSU, and \$2 billion for UC, with \$50 million of this to fund construction to support the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Sciences' new medical school program.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

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## Building Standards & Contracts

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### [AB-358 \(Addis\) - Community college districts: student housing.](#)

Exempts California Community College District student housing architectural plans from the requirement in existing law to receive approval from the Department of General Services' Division of the State Architect.

**Status:** Chapter 83, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-1151 \(McKinnor\) - Community colleges: civic centers: uses: insurance.](#)

Authorizes a community college district governing board to allow the use of any civic center or other district property by the community and organizations without charge.

**Status:** Chapter 66, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-2005 \(Ward\) - California State University: faculty and employee housing.](#)

Establishes the California State University Faculty and Employee Housing Act of 2024.

**Status:** Chapter 558, Statutes of 2024

### [SB-56 \(Skinner\) - University of California: transfer of real property.](#)

Changes how the University of California (UC) can sell real property by exempting the transfer of a specified property from the Regents of the UC to the Berkeley Student Cooperative for the purpose of affordable student housing from existing competitive bidding requirements.

**Status:** Chapter 764, Statutes of 2024

### [SB-1091 \(Menjivar\) - School facilities: school projects: accessible path of travel requirements.](#)

Allows, for school construction projects approved by the Division of the State Architect on or before December 31, 2030, certain school ground construction projects to not comply with certain accessible path of travel requirements if the cost of doing so would exceed 20% of the project's total construction costs.

**Status:** Chapter 1014, Statutes of 2024

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## Campus Climate

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### [AB-299 \(Holden\) - Hazing: educational institutions: civil liability.](#)

Authorizes a civil action against an educational institution for an instance of hazing, as defined, if that educational institution knew or should have known of the dangerous hazing practices of an affiliated organization.

**Veto Message:** *Beginning January 1, 2025, this bill authorizes a civil action against a public or private institution of higher education by a person harmed by hazing involving an organization affiliated with the educational institution when the institution had direct involvement in, knew of, or "in the exercise of ordinary care reasonably should have known" of the hazing and unreasonably failed to prevent, discover, or stop the hazing.*

*Hazing has no place in public or private institutions of higher education (IHE). I agree that IHEs that knowingly support hazing or fail to take reasonable steps to prevent hazing should be accountable. However, as drafted, this bill goes much further than that, creating expansive financial exposure even for IHEs that are taking appropriate steps to protect their students from hazing. I encourage the author to more clearly define when liability arises when IHEs have taken statutorily defined reasonable steps to prevent hazing.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

### [AB-644 \(Jones-Sawyer\) - Public postsecondary education: campus safety: hate crime: surveys.](#)

This bill requires the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and Office of the Chancellor of the California State University, and requests the Office of the President of the University of California, to: (1) develop questions to hate-crime specific questions for the purpose of being included in the new federal online survey tool for campus safety used by California's postsecondary education institutions; and, (2) submit a report on the published campus-level results from the online survey biennially and post the report on respective internet website.

**Status:** Canceled at the request of the author – Assembly Higher Education Committee

### [AB-1142 \(Mike Fong\) - Postsecondary education: Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education in California.](#)

Extends by five years the authorization for a community college district governing board to allow the use of any civic center or other district property by the community and organizations without charge or with charge not to exceed the specified direct costs or fair market rent value depending on the activity as prescribed.

**Status:** Chapter 349, Statutes of 2024

**AB-1558 (Gallagher) - Postsecondary education: safety: credible threats.**

Requires each campus of the California Community Colleges and requests each campus of the University of California to take action after receiving a credible threat to a student, faculty, or staff. The action required includes conducting a third-party risk assessment and determining whether removing the threatening individual from the campus or providing interim measures is justified.

**Status:** Canceled at the request of the author - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**AB-1575 (Irwin) - Public postsecondary education: sexual harassment, sexual violence, and discrimination: disciplinary actions: confidential advocates and advisors.**

Authorizes students, who have received a disciplinary notification, the right to have an advisor of their choosing, requires postsecondary education institutions to provide an advisor to the student if requested, and requires postsecondary education institutions to provide trainings for the aforementioned advisor.

**Status:** Chapter 808, Statutes of 2024

**AB-1790 (Connolly) - California State University: sexual harassment: implementing California State Auditor recommendations.**

Requires the California State University (CSU) to implement the recommendations provided by the California State Auditor Report 2022-109 and requires the CSU to provide two reports to the Legislature on the CSU's progress in implementing the State Auditor's recommendations.

**Status:** Chapter 86, Statutes of 2024

**AB-1905 (Addis) - Public postsecondary education: employment: settlements, informal resolutions, and retreat rights.**

Places conditions upon the use of settlements, informal resolutions, retreat rights, and letters of recommendations for employees at public higher education institutions who are the respondent in a sexual harassment complaint, as defined.

**Status:** Chapter 813, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2047 (Mike Fong) - Public postsecondary education: discrimination prevention: systemwide offices of civil rights.**

Requires the California State University (CSU), and the University of California (UC) to establish a Systemwide Office of Civil Rights for the purpose of assisting campuses within the system in addressing and preventing sex discrimination and requires each campus of the CSU and UC to establish a Title IX office on each campus and codifies the responsibilities of the Title IX office.



**Status:** Chapter 693, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2048 (Mike Fong) - Public postsecondary education: discrimination prevention: campus-based Title IX offices.**

Requires the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges by December 1, 2025 to consult with stakeholders and submit a report to the Legislature with specified recommendations for establishing systemic reforms that will effectively prevent, detect, and address sexual harassment on community college campuses.

**Status:** Chapter 694, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2094 (Vince Fong) - Alcoholic beverage control: public community college stadiums: City of Bakersfield.**

Creates an exception in the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act (Act) to allow a person to acquire, possess, or use an alcoholic beverage at a public community college stadium (Memorial Stadium on the Bakersfield College campus) with a capacity of 19,000 or more people in the City of Bakersfield. The bill would define “events” for this purpose to mean sporting events or concerts sponsored by a public community college or other events sponsored by noncollege groups.

**Status:** Chapter 213, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2096 (Petrie-Norris) - Restraining orders: educational institutions.**

Authorizes the administrator of a public postsecondary educational institution to seek a temporary restraining order and an injunction on behalf of a student who has suffered unlawful violence or a credible threat of violence to protect them on the school campus; and allows orders to be obtained, by both public and private educational institutions, regardless of where the violence or threat of violence occurs.

**Status:** Chapter 947, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2193 (Holden) - Hazing: educational institutions: civil liability: resources.**

Permits victims of hazing to take civil action against postsecondary education institutions if specific circumstances are met and establishes rebuttable presumption for that the postsecondary education institution took reasonable steps to stop the hazing practice if specified actions were taken by the educational institution.

**Status:** Chapter 704, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2326 (Alvarez) - Equity in Higher Education Act: discrimination: compliance, regulations, and reports.**

Delineates which entities with the public higher education institutions are responsible for ensuring campus programs are free from discrimination and who has the authority to oversee and monitor compliance with state and federal laws; and, requires the leadership of all three public higher education institutions to present to the Legislature their efforts in addressing and preventing discrimination on campus.

**Status:** Chapter 827, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2407 (Hart) - Public postsecondary educational institutions: sexual harassment complaints: state audits.**

Authorizes the State Auditor, to periodically audit the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California on the institutions' ability to address and prevent sexual harassment on campus and to report the findings to the Legislature.

**Status:** Chapter 830, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2492 (Irwin) - Public postsecondary education: sex discrimination complaints: advocates and coordinators.**

Establishes the role of confidential advocates and confidential respondents on campuses of the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-2925 (Friedman) - Postsecondary education: Equity in Higher Education Act: prohibition on discrimination: training and notice.**

Creates a requirement for specific antidiscrimination training or diversity, equity, and inclusion training offered by postsecondary education institutions to include training on how to address discrimination against the five most targeted groups in the state, as defined.

**Status:** Chapter 844, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2936 (Jackson) - Higher Education Reconciliation Master Plan.**

Requires the California State University, and requests the University of California, to each (a) convene stakeholder workgroups in their respective segments and submit a report that includes recommendations related to responding to cultural and political conflicts that arise, with the goal of promoting reconciliation on each of its respective campuses; and, (b) by July 1, 2026, develop and implement a systemwide and campus-level reconciliation master plan for use on each of their respective campuses to respond

to and address cultural and political conflicts that arise on campus. This bill applies these provisions to the California Community Colleges upon appropriation.

**Veto Message:** *This bill would require the California State University (CSU) to develop and implement a systemwide and campus-level reconciliation master plan, for use on each campus, to address cultural and political conflicts that arise on campus. The bill also requires the CSU to convene stakeholder workgroups and submit a report with recommendations on responding to cultural and political conflicts that arise on campus. This bill requests the same actions of the University of California (UC) and applies these provisions to the California Community Colleges upon appropriation.*

*I take seriously the rise of incidents at our institutions of higher education that have left students feeling unsafe and created a culture of intolerance and hostility on campus. Earlier this year, my Administration released the Golden State Plan to Counter Antisemitism, as part of the state's broader Anti-Hate agenda and California's ongoing efforts to protect all communities from acts of bigotry and violence. In this plan, I urged campuses to strengthen student codes of conduct, enforce campus safety policies, and cultivate spaces for affinity and dialogue amid rising conflicts.*

*In addition, the 2024 Budget Act requires every CSU and UC campus to annually prepare a campus climate action notification by the beginning of the Fall 2024 term. This notification, among other elements, must include how the campus intends to foster healthy discourse and bring together campus community members and ideologically differing viewpoints, in order to best promote the educational mission of the institution and the exchange of ideas in a safe and peaceful manner. The CSU and the UC are required to submit a report outlining the campus climate action notifications by October 1 of this year.*

*Although this bill is well intended, it is premature to require new working groups that would develop new reports and master plans prior to evaluating the outcomes of these pending actions.*

*For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.*

### **[AB-2987 \(Ortega\) - Public postsecondary education: sex discrimination complaints: status updates and notices.](#)**

Requires each campus of the California Community Colleges and California State University and requests each campus of the University of California to provide status updates every thirty days on the progress of sex discrimination complaints to the respondent and complainants of a sex discrimination complaint and to provide the disciplinary notification within five business days of the outcome of a sex discrimination complaint.

**Status:** Chapter 205, Statutes of 2024

**ACR-147 (Alvarez) - California's First-Generation College Celebration Day.**

Designates November 8, 2024, as "California's First-Generation College Celebration Day" and urges higher education institutions in California to recognize and celebrate the day to further support first-generation college students.

**Status:** Chapter 136, Statutes of 2024

**SB-808 (Dodd) - California State University: annual report: sexual harassment reports: formal sexual harassment complaints.**

Requires the California State University (CSU) to annually publish a report on the grievance procedures for sexual harassment reports and formal sexual harassment complaints at CSU campuses and the CSU Chancellor's office.

**Status:** Chapter 417, Statutes of 2023

**SB-1166 (Dodd) - Public postsecondary education: annual report: sex discrimination.**

Establishes a reporting requirement for the California Community Colleges, and requests the University of California, to establish a reporting requirement on the outcome of sexual harassment complaints on campus. Updates the existing annual reporting requirements for the California State University, regarding the outcome of sexual harassment complaints to align with state and federal laws regarding sex-based discrimination.

**Status:** Chapter 883, Statutes of 2024

**SB-1287 (Glazer) - Public postsecondary education: Equity in Higher Education Act: prohibition on violence, harassment, intimidation, and discrimination.**

Requires the Trustees of the California State University and requests the Regents of the University of California to: (1) adopt and enforce student code of conduct policies pertaining to specified behavior on campus; (2) maintain and enforce time, place, and manner restrictions; (3) respond to incidents that create a hostile environment on campus; and, (4) develop mandatory training programs for students pertaining to protests and the exchange of ideas on campus.

**Status:** Chapter 892, Statutes of 2024

**SB-1491 (Eggman) - Postsecondary education: Equity in Higher Education Act.**

Amends the Equity in Higher Education Act to do the following: update definitions regarding sexual orientation, require California Community Colleges and the California State University to designate an employee to meet the needs of LGBTQ+ members on campus, requires the CCC and CSU to adopt and publish policies on harassment, intimidation, and bullying, and provides notification requirements to inform students of their rights to report discriminatory incidents to the U.S. Department of Education even

if their postsecondary education institution has a religious exemption on file with the California Student Aid Commission.

**Status:** Chapter 490, Statutes of 2024

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## Economic & Workforce Development

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### [AB-290 \(Hoover\) - Career technical education: California Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Program: Strong Workforce Program.](#)

Makes various changes, as specified, to the California Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Program.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Assembly Education Committee

### [AB-1370 \(Ta\) - California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program.](#)

Revises and recasts several provisions of the California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program (EWDP). The bill would extend the operation of the program indefinitely, and would repeal the Job Development Incentive Training Program. The bill would revise and recast the principles governing the EWDP, provisions on the duties and membership of the program's advisory committee, the decision criteria for allocating program funds to colleges, and the definitions that apply to the program's provisions.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

### [AB-2044 \(Chen\) - Public postsecondary education: community colleges: statewide baccalaureate degree program.](#)

Requires the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to evaluate whether baccalaureate degree holders are paid more than associate degree holders in the same field when conducting a review to approve the elimination of an associate degree program.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

### [AB-2702 \(Chen\) - Training programs for clinical laboratory scientists and medical laboratory technicians: grants.](#)

Authorizes the California Department of Public Health to, upon appropriation by the Legislature, establish a grant program to provide funding to approved training programs for clinical laboratory scientists and medical laboratory technicians.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

### [AB-3087 \(Mike Fong\) - California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program.](#)

Extends the operation of the California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program by five years to January 1, 2030.

**Status:** Chapter 430, Statutes of 2024

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## General Higher Education

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### [AB-264 \(Ting\) - Community colleges: Lunar New Year holiday.](#)

Provides community colleges districts an avenue to recognize Lunar New Year as an academic holiday and to close the campus for students and staff.

**Status:** Chapter 517, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-569 \(Garcia\) - California State University: Cybersecurity Regional Alliances and Multistakeholder Partnerships Pilot Program.](#)

Requires that the Chancellor of the California State University report to the Legislature on the Cybersecurity Regional Alliances and Multistakeholder Partnerships Pilot Program with specified program data and recommendations on how to improve the program.

**Status:** Chapter 117, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-603 \(Cervantes\) - Public postsecondary education: diversity: report.](#)

Requires by July 1 of each year, for the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, and the Board of Trustees of the California State University, and requests the Board of Regents of the University of California to publish a report on the diversity of the student body and the diversity of the governing board of their respective segments.

**Veto Message:** *This bill would require the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges and the California State University Trustees, and requests the University of California Regents, to publish a report on the diversity of the student body and the governing board of their respective segments, on or before July 1 of each year.*

*I share the author's commitment to, and take great pride in, the diversity of California's public higher education systems. My Administration has demonstrated this commitment by making appointments at every level of government, including at the three segments, that reflect both California's diversity and the diversity of the student body. While I understand the author's goal, the demographic information regarding the governing board members is optional and self-reported. Additionally, all three segments provide demographic information on their student bodies and biographies of their governing board members, which are easily accessible on their websites.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*



**AB-811 (Mike Fong) - Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012: repeating credit courses.**

Require governing boards of each community college district to establish policies permitting students to retake a course up to five times, if the student received a substandard grade and to retake specified courses up to three times even if the student received a satisfactory grade.

**Veto Message:** *This bill authorizes a student to repeat, up to two times, a credit course at a California Community College in arts, humanities, kinesiology, foreign languages, and English as a second language, if the student previously received a satisfactory grade and is taking the course for enrichment or skill-building purposes.*

*In recent years, the California Community Colleges (CCC) have been intently focused on improving student success, reducing excess course units and improving transfer rates. While one of the main goals of this bill is help increase enrollment at the CCC, it also creates a fiscal incentive for community colleges to encourage repeating certain credit courses contrary to the Vision for Success, the Roadmap for the California Community Colleges and key legislative efforts, such as AB 705 (Irwin, 2017). My Administration continues to be committed to working with the Legislature, the CCC and stakeholders to find other ways to increase enrollment at the CCC. But this bill moves us away from our shared, stated goals.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**AB-1040 (Alvarez) - Community colleges: mentoring credit program.**

Establishes the Community College Mentoring Credit Program for the purpose of having qualified community college students provide one-to-one mentoring opportunities to identified youth.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing – Assembly Higher Education Committee

**AB-1142 (Mike Fong) - Postsecondary education: Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education in California.**

Extends by five years the authorization for a community college district governing board to allow the use of any civic center or other district property by the community and organizations without charge or with charge not to exceed the specified direct costs or fair market rent value depending on the activity as prescribed.

**Status:** Chapter 349, Statutes of 2024

**AB-1162 (Hoover) - State educational entities: Educational Innovation and Planning Commission.**

Seeks to repeal the provisions of the Educational Innovation and Planning Commission, as specified, thereby eliminating the Commission.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing – Assembly Education Committee

**AB-1311 (Soria) - Public postsecondary education: allied health programs: assessment.**

Requires the Legislative Analyst's Office to conduct an assessment, on or before January 1, 2025, evaluating the efficacy of existing programs in allied health jointly offered between campuses of the California Community Colleges, California State University, and University of California.

**Status:** Chapter 126, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1929 (McKinnor) - Career technical education: data collection.**

Requires that local educational agencies receiving specified Career Technical Education state grants and the California Community College Chancellor's Office to disaggregate program and performance accountability outcome data by race and gender.

**Status:** Chapter 145, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2019 (Vince Fong) - Early and middle college high schools and programs.**

Establishes a reporting requirement for specified dual enrollment programs known as early college and middle college high schools and programs.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-2150 (Arambula) - Public social services: higher education.**

Requires the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to develop and facilitate a training for basic needs directors and coordinators from campuses of the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California, and requires CDSS to convene a working group to identify and address barriers to student enrollment in social services offered by county human service agencies.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-2222 (Blanca Rubio) - Science of Reading: accreditation: professional development: instructional materials.**

Science of Reading: accreditation: professional development: instructional materials.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Assembly Education Committee

**AB-2275 (Mike Fong) - Trustees of the California State University: appointees.**

Require the members of the California State University (CSU) Board of Trustees (BOT) selected from outstanding lay citizens of California who have a strong interest in the further development and improvement of the CSU, and would specify that members of the board, to the greatest extent possible, should be inclusive and representative of the many demographic groups found in California, and that the BOT should reflect diversity

of race and gender, and include, among others, disabled persons and veterans. The bill would also provide that each member of the board should bring their own best thinking and personal views to the BOT discussion, as specified.

**Status:** Chapter 103, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2305 (Mike Fong) - Public postsecondary education: community colleges: statewide baccalaureate degree program.**

Requires that a Community College district is permitted to apply for a baccalaureate degree program during a specified annual time.

**Status:** Canceled at the request of the author - Senate Education Committee

**AB-2532 (Mathis) - Community colleges: registered nursing programs.**

existing law that prohibits a community college district from adopting policies or procedures that would have the effect of excluding an applicant or student who is not a resident of the district from a registered nursing program and permits community colleges to add “being a resident of the community college district” to the “life experiences or special circumstances” section of the multicriteria screening process used by impacted nursing programs at community college districts to select applicants for enrollment. Extends the sunset of the multicriteria screening process for California Community College nursing programs to January 1, 2030.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Senate Education Committee

**AB-2588 (Chen) - College readiness programs: study.**

Authorizes the California Department of Education to conduct a study on the participation, performance, and outcomes of college readiness programs offered by K-12 districts and for the study to be published and transmitted to the appropriate entities by April 30, 2028, and the subsequent year.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-2723 (Irwin) - The California Cradle-to-Career Data System Act.**

Makes various technical and clarifying changes to the statutes pertaining to the Cradle-to-Career Data System.

**Status:** Chapter 736, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2883 (Low) - California State University: University of California: Lunar New Year holiday.**

Authorizes each campus of the California State University, and requests each campus of the University of California, to observe a specified date, known as “Lunar New Year,” as a holiday, and be closed on that day.

**Status:** Chapter 972, Statutes of 2024

**AB-3290 (Committee on Higher Education) - Public postsecondary education: tuition and fees: members of the Armed Services.**

Makes non-controversial, technical, and conforming changes to various provisions of the Education Code.

**Status:** Chapter 440, Statutes of 2024

**AJR-13 (Santiago) - Tuition assistance programs.**

Requests the Congress of the United States to pass, and the President of the United States to sign, the Upskilling and Retraining Assistance Act and the Upward Mobility Enhancement Act.

**Status:** Chapter 158, Statutes of 2024

**SB-711 (Caballero) - Community colleges: blockchain industry report.**

Authorizes the California Community Colleges Chancellor's office, in collaboration with the Academic Senate of the California Community College and stakeholders, to produce a report on the workforce needs of the blockchain industry.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**SB-886 (Committee on Education) - Postsecondary education.**

Makes non-controversial, technical, and conforming changes to various provisions of the Education Code.

**Status:** Chapter 188, Statutes of 2023

**SB-906 (Skinner) - Collegiate athletics: student athlete compensation.**

Requires any entity that provides compensation or any item of value or service to a student athlete, or to the student athlete's immediate family, to disclose information, as specified, to the student athlete's postsecondary educational institution (PEI) and requires the PEI to make that information publicly available. Requires a PEI that shares revenues with student athletes to make publicly available the total value of the revenues shared with all of the PEI's student athletes, as provided.

**Veto Message:** *This bill would require any entity or person that provides compensation or any item of value or service to a student athlete, or to the student athlete's immediate family, over \$5,000 for athletic purposes, to disclose specific information to the student athlete's college or university. It also would require the institution to make that information publicly available and listed with the athletic sport and gender makeup of the team.*

*I appreciate the author's partnership on name, image and likeness (NIL). Since signing SB 206 (Skinner) in 2019, we have seen student athletes benefit from NIL across the nation. However, college sports are in a period of transition as many schools are changing athletic conferences*

*and relevant issues are currently pending in the courts. As Governor, I want to ensure California's colleges continue to be competitive with other states. Further changes to this dynamic should be done nationally.*

*For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.*

**SB-939 (Umberg) - Educational equity: schoolsite and community resources: neurodivergent pupils.**

Requires the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to post, and annually update, on the California Department of Education internet website, and to notify local educational agencies of the availability of a list of resources that provide support for youth, and their families, who have been subjected to school-based discrimination, harassment, intimidation, or bullying on the basis of neurodiversity or perceived neurodiversity, including those developed by the University of California and California State University Collaborative for Neurodiversity and Learning.

**Status:** Chapter 907, Statutes of 2024

**SB-1244 (Newman) - Pupil instruction: dual enrollment: College and Career Access Pathways partnerships.**

Permits any community college district (CCD) to enter into a College and Career Access Pathways agreement with a local education agency within the service area of another CCD, if specified conditions are met.

**Status:** Chapter 789, Statutes of 2024

**SB-1252 (Stern) - California Mosquito Surveillance and Research Program.**

Requires the California Mosquito Surveillance and Research Program (Program) to consult with partners at the University of California and the California State University about the most up-to-date research pertaining to mosquito abatement, including sustainable pest management, as defined.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**SB-1263 (Newman) - Teacher credentialing: teaching performance assessment: workgroup.**

Requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to convene a workgroup to assess current design and implementation of the teacher performance assessment and report recommendations to the Legislature by February 2025.

**Status:** Chapter 889, Statutes of 2024

**SB-1335 (Archuleta) - The California Cadet Corps.**

Authorizes the establishment of independent California Cadet Corps units, as specified, establishes uniform standards, and makes other technical and conforming changes.

**Status:** Chapter 207, Statutes of 2024

**SB-1348 (Bradford) - Postsecondary education: California Black-Serving Institutions Program.**

Establishes criteria and procedure for postsecondary education institutions in California to receive the designation of a “California Black-Serving Institution.”

**Status:** Chapter 627, Statutes of 2024

**SB-1391 (Rubio) - Teachers: preparation and retention data.**

Requires the Office of the Cradle-to-Career Data System (managing entity) to establish a teacher training and retention dashboard with specified data points by January 1, 2026.

**Veto Message:** *This bill would require the Office of Cradle-to-Career (C2C) to create a teacher training and retention dashboard that would provide specified trends on California's teacher workforce by January 1, 2026.*

*I appreciate the author's commitment to better understanding the teacher workforce at each segment of the educator pipeline, but this bill is unnecessary and its prescriptive requirements around data elements are problematic. The C2C is already creating a teacher training and retention dashboard in collaboration with the relevant data providers, and the dashboard will include many of the elements specified in this bill. Under the existing process, however, data providers retain sole control over their data provided to C2C, and there are some elements in the bill for which C2C does not currently receive data.*

*The Cradle-to-Career Data System has been created through careful negotiation and collaboration. Each year, there is a process that includes public engagement to develop a strategic work plan adopted by the Governing Board, which includes a member of the Senate and Assembly, as well as members appointed by each house, at a public meeting. This process ensures data quality and usability, that the C2C is responsive to public and legislative input, and that the C2C can produce informative data. Respecting this carefully negotiated balance will ensure the long-term success of the C2C Data System.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

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## Labor Relations & Employment

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### [AB-238 \(Muratsuchi\) - California Student Teacher Support Grant Program.](#)

Establishes the California Student Teacher Support Grant Program to compensate teacher credential candidates during required student teaching.

**Status:** Died – Senate Floor – Inactive File

### [AB-260 \(Santiago\) - Community colleges: part-time employees.](#)

Requires California Community College districts to begin negotiations to provide pay parity between part-time faculty and full-time faculty by January 1, 2024 by adopting terms of compensation of at least the same ratio of compensation for part-time faculty as the compensation for full-time faculty for comparable duties.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

### [AB-472 \(Wicks\) - Classified school district and community college employees: compulsory leaves of absence: compensation.](#)

Requires school and community college districts (“district”), as provided, to pay a classified employee upon returning to service to the district for the period of an involuntary leave of absence after the proceedings of a charge of a criminal offense, investigation, or job-related administrative determination are found in favor of the employee, among other provisions.

**Status:** Chapter 331, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-810 \(Friedman\) - Postsecondary education: hiring practices: academic, athletic, and administrative appointments.](#)

Requires the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and requests both the University of California and private postsecondary education institutions, to implement a policy of requiring potential employees for academic, athletic, and administrative positions to disclose whether they have been the subject of a finding of sexual harassment and to permit the institution to contact past employers to inquire whether the applicant had any substantiated allegations of misconduct.

**Status:** Chapter 673, Statutes of 2024

### [AB-1123 \(Addis\) - California State University: employees: paid parental leave of absence.](#)

Requires the California State University (CSU) to grant an employee a leave of absence with pay for one semester of an academic year following the birth of a child of the employee or the adoption or foster care of the child by the employee. The bill requires the leave of absence to be taken without interruption unless otherwise agreed to by

mutual consent between the employee and an administrator. The bill also specifies that only working days are to be charged against the leave of absence.

**Veto Message:** *This bill requires the California State University (CSU) system to grant an employee a leave of absence with pay for one semester of an academic year, or an equivalent duration in a one-year period, following the birth of a child or in connection with the adoption or foster care placement of a child by the employee.*

*I vetoed a nearly identical bill last year, citing more than \$20 million in fiscal impact outside of the budget process and pending collective bargaining negotiations between the CSU and the California Faculty Association. I implore both entities to come together to resolve this issue during this negotiation.*

*In partnership with the Legislature, we enacted a budget that closed a shortfall of more than \$30 billion through balanced solutions that avoided deep program cuts and protected education, health care, climate, public safety, and social service programs that are relied on by millions of Californians. This year, however, the Legislature sent me bills outside of this budget process that, if all enacted, would add nearly \$19 billion of unaccounted costs in the budget, of which \$11 billion would be ongoing.*

*With our state facing continuing economic risk and revenue uncertainty, it is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications, such as this measure.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**[AB-1190 \(Irwin\) - Community colleges: part-time faculty: office hours.](#)**

Requires a California Community College district to begin negotiations with part-time faculty by January 1, 2024, for the purposes of adopting terms of compensation for part-time faculty office hours.

**Status** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**[AB-1699 \(McCarty\) - K-14 classified employees: part-time or full-time vacancies: public postings.](#)**

Provides current nonprobationary school and community college classified employees the right of first refusal for any new classified position at their education employer, among other provisions.

**Veto Message:** *This bill provides current non-probationary classified TK-12 and community college classified staff the right of first refusal for certain new classified positions at their education employer. The bill requires an educational employer to provide its classified employees and their union at least 10 business days' notice of a job vacancy before the general public is*



*authorized to apply for the position. This bill only authorizes the employer to offer the new position to an external applicant if no qualified, internal candidate applies for or accepts the new position within the employer notice period.*

*While I support the author's goal of seeking to provide opportunities for current classified staff to apply for other open positions, this bill may have unintended consequences that are not in the best interest of students. Educational employers and classified staff already have the ability to bargain this issue, and many already have agreements that meet the goals of this bill. Unfortunately, this bill also prohibits future bargaining agreements from implementing their own locally determined process.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**AB-2088 (McCarty) - K-14 classified employees: part-time or full-time vacancies: public postings.**

Establishes a statutory right of first refusal to current regular nonprobationary classified employees of school and community college districts relating to part-time and full-time vacant positions, among other provisions.

**Veto Message:** *This bill requires school and community college employers, in both merit and non-merit districts, to offer part-time and full-time classified positions to current regular non-probationary classified employees a first refusal over all applicants, with specified exceptions, during a 10-day notice period. This bill allows the employer to advertise the position, but prohibits them from offering it to an external applicant until the 10-day notice period expires and no eligible employee candidate has applied.*

*This bill is significantly similar to Assembly Bill 1699 of 2023, which I vetoed, and several of the same concerns remain. In particular, like Assembly Bill 1699, this bill may have unintended consequences that are not in the best interest of students. As noted previously, this issue is already bargainable and several local bargaining agreements have such provisions in place. Placing specific requirements in statute - as this bill does - may make it more difficult for local processes to develop an alternative that best meets the needs of the district, employees, and students.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**AB-2277 (Wallis) - Community colleges: part-time faculty.**

Increases the maximum amount of instructional hours that a part-time California Community College faculty member may teach at any one community college district.

**Veto Message:** *This bill requires community college districts on January 1, 2025, or no later than the expiration date of an existing part-time faculty collective bargaining agreement, to negotiate the terms of reemployment preference for part-time faculty assignments. Specifically,*

*the bill redefines a part-time faculty's load as up to a range of 80 percent to 85 percent of what is assigned for full-time faculty, rather than 60 percent to 67 percent, unless otherwise explicitly agreed upon with individual part-time faculty.*

*In 2021, I vetoed a bill substantially similar to this proposal. In that veto message, I acknowledged the enormous role that part-time community college faculty play across the system. I also conveyed that the proposal had significant ongoing cost pressures that are better addressed as part of the budget process, and I committed to proposing an alternative in a future budget. In the 2022 Budget Agreement, consistent with my commitment, funding for the part-time faculty health insurance program was increased by \$200 million ongoing. This bill continues to create unknown, but potentially significant costs or cost pressures in the millions to tens of millions of dollars.*

*In partnership with the Legislature this year, my Administration has enacted a balanced budget that avoids deep program cuts to vital services and protected investments in education, health care, climate, public safety, housing, and social service programs that millions of Californians rely on. It is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications that are not included in the budget, such as this measure.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**[AB-2328 \(Mike Fong\) - Classified employees: school and community college districts: merit system: disciplinary action.](#)**

Prohibits a K-12 and community college district with a merit system from taking disciplinary action against a permanent employee under specified conditions.

**Status:** Canceled at the request of the author - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**[AB-2370 \(Cervantes\) - Community colleges: faculty: instructor of record: qualifications.](#)**

Requires the instructor of record for a course of instruction at a California Community College to be taught by a person who meets the minimum qualifications to serve as a faculty member teaching a credit course or a noncredit course, as specified.

**Status:** Chapter 66, Statutes of 2024

**[AB-2586 \(Alvarez\) - Public postsecondary education: student employment.](#)**

Prohibits the University of California, California State University, or California Community College from disqualifying a student from being hired for an employment position due to their failure to provide proof of federal work authorization, except where that proof is required by federal law or where that proof is required as a condition of a grant that funds the particular employment position for which the student has applied.

**Veto Message:** *This bill prohibits California public universities from disqualifying a student from employment due to their failure to provide proof of federal employment authorization.*

*California has a proud history of being at the forefront of expanding opportunities for undocumented students who seek to realize their higher education dreams. Including immigrant students in opportunities to succeed through higher education is also important for local communities and California's economy. Since 2001, when the California DREAM Act (AB 540) was signed into law, the state has continually broadened access to financial aid opportunities and other supports for students who call California home, regardless of their immigration status.*

*While I am proud of these efforts, I am unfortunately unable to sign this legislation at this time. Given the gravity of the potential consequences of this bill, which include potential criminal and civil liability for state employees, it is critical that the courts address the legality of such a policy and the novel legal theory behind this legislation before proceeding. Seeking declaratory relief in court - an option available to the University of California - would provide such clarity.*

*For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.*

**AB-2901 (Aguiar-Curry) - School and community college employees: paid disability and parental leave.**

Requires K-12 public schools and community college districts to provide up to 14 weeks of paid leave for employees experiencing pregnancy, miscarriage, childbirth, termination of pregnancy, or recovery from any of those conditions.

**Status:** Died – Senate Floor – Inactive File

**AB-2931 (Mike Fong) - Community colleges: classified employees: merit system: part-time student-tutors.**

Exempts part-time students employed as student tutors from being identified as part of the classified service at a merit community college district.

**Status:** Chapter 422, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2971 (Maienschein) - Classified Employee Staffing Ratio Workgroup: community college districts.**

Expands an existing “Classified Employee Staffing Ratio Workgroup” to include community colleges and expands the jurisdiction of the workgroup to examine and to recommend appropriate classified staffing ratios at community colleges to the Legislature by July 31, 2025.

**Status:** Chapter 425, Statutes of 2024

**SB-640 (Portantino) - California State University: food service contracts and hotel development projects.**

Prohibits the California State University from entering into a food service contract or undertaking a hotel development project unless the food service employer or hotel employer is party to a labor peace agreement with a labor organization.

**Veto Message:** *This bill would require any food service contract or hotel development project undertaken by the California State University (CSU) Board of Trustees to be with an employer that is party to a labor peace agreement with a labor organization. This requirement extends to any food service and hotel development contract in which the CSU or the State of California has a proprietary interest and that is performed in accordance with a contract entered into or awarded by a CSU auxiliary organization.*

*California State University campuses have a long history of organizing. Faculty and staff have been organized for decades, and this year a labor organization submitted more than 8,500 digital cards signed by students to the Public Employment Relations Board to advance towards a union vote. Additionally, six campuses have auxiliary organizations that have been unionized. It is the understanding of my Administration that recent organizing on CSU campuses has been largely respectful. In light of this history, it is not clear that this legislation is needed to facilitate successful organizing on CSU campuses. While I support minimizing disruptions to students from work stoppages on campus, this bill is premature.*

*For this reason, I cannot sign this bill.*

**SB-791 (McGuire) - Postsecondary education: academic and administrative employees: disclosure of sexual harassment.**

Requires the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests the University of California to require potential employees to disclose whether they have been found to have committed sexual harassment in seven years prior to their application of employment at the given institution.

**Status:** Chapter 415, Statutes of 2023

## Private Postsecondary Education

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### [SB-1449 \(Newman\) - California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009: complaint processing contracts.](#)

Expands on the existing exemption for law schools from regulation under the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 (Act) and oversight by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education by authorizing exempt law schools to execute a contract with BPPE to handle complaints processing. Additionally sunsets this expanded authority for law schools on December 31, 2029.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

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## Student Success & Other Student Issues

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### [AB-447 \(Arambula\) - Public postsecondary education: students with disabilities: inclusive college programs.](#)

Authorizes the California State University and requests the University of California establish and maintain inclusive college programs for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities at four-year public postsecondary educational institutions, subject to an appropriation as specified.

**Status:** Chapter 654, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-461 \(Ramos\) - Student safety: fentanyl test strips.](#)

Requires the governing board of each community college district and the Trustees of the California State University to provide information about the use and location of fentanyl test strips as part of established campus orientations, to notify students of the presence and location of fentanyl test strips, and requires that each campus health center stock and distribute fentanyl test strips, as specified.

**Status:** Chapter 525, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-624 \(Grayson\) - Postsecondary education: disabled student services: assessments.](#)

Requires the Trustees of the California State University and would request the Regents of the University of California, to cover the costs of diagnostic assessments as proof for academic accommodations for any student who receives student financial aid or who is eligible for financial assistance from the institution's health or disability center.

**Veto Message:** *This bill, commencing July 1, 2025, requires the California State University Trustees and requests the University of California Regents, to cover the costs of diagnostic assessments for learning disabilities as proof for academic accommodations for any student who receives financial assistance or is eligible for financial assistance from the institution's health or disability center. The bill also specifies that state funds will be provided annually for the cost of these services, and that the Department of General Service shall oversee reimbursements to institutions for their documented costs.*

*While I support the author's goal of supporting students with learning disabilities, unfortunately, the bill creates at least \$5 million in ongoing General Fund costs that are not reflected in the state's current fiscal plan. Additionally, the Department of General Services may not be the appropriate entity to administer the reimbursement.*

*In partnership with the Legislature, we enacted a budget that closed a shortfall of more than \$30 billion through balanced solutions that avoided deep program cuts and protected education,*

health care, climate, public safety, and social service programs that are relied on by millions of Californians. This year, however, the Legislature sent me bills outside of this budget process that, if all enacted, would add nearly \$19 billion of unaccounted costs in the budget, of which \$11 billion would be ongoing.

With our state facing continuing economic risk and revenue uncertainty, it is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications, such as this measure.

For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.

**[AB-760 \(Wilson\) - California State University and University of California: records: affirmed name and gender identification.](#)**

Requires the California State University, and requests the University of California, to implement a process whereby current students, staff, and faculty may request the updating of any records for that person to include the person's affirmed name, gender, or both name and gender identification.

**Status:** Chapter 222, Statutes of 2023

**[AB-942 \(Mike Fong\) - Postsecondary education: sex equity.](#)**

Revised the definition of sexual harassment to align with pending Federal Regulations pertaining to Title IX.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**[AB-1138 \(Weber\) - Postsecondary education: sexual assault and sexual violence prevention: transportation services.](#)**

Requires campuses of the California Community Colleges, the California State University, the University of California, and independent universities to provide students with transportation to a rape crisis center for the purpose of having a sexual assault forensic exam kit administered.

**Status:** Chapter 564, Statutes of 2023

**[AB-1173 \(Ta\) - College and career fairs.](#)**

Requires a local educational agency serving pupils in grades 9 to 12 inclusive, that chooses to hold a college or career fair to notify each community college district with overlapping jurisdiction.

**Status:** Chapter 23, Statutes of 2023

**AB-1393 (Calderon) - Student Aid Commission: California Dream Act applicants: Food Support Pilot Program.**

Authorizes the California Student Aid Commission to establish a food benefit pilot program until July 15, 2029, for the purpose of providing undocumented college students funding for food.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-1524 (Lowenthal) - Postsecondary education: on-campus access to drug testing devices.**

Requires each community college district and each campus of California State University to provide date rape drug testing devices at no cost to their campus population at a location on campus. Requests the University of California, independent institutions, and private postsecondary education institutions to provide date rape drug testing devices at no cost to their campus population at a location on campus.

**Status:** Chapter 679, Statutes of 2024

**AB-1543 (Mike Fong) - Community colleges: student representation fees.**

Authorizes one dollar for every two dollars of the student representation fee collected from California Community College students to be used for the operations of a local student body organization. Permits a student to opt to not pay a portion of the student representation fee or to opt out of the entire student representation fee.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-1818 (Jackson) - Public postsecondary education: homeless students: parking.**

Requires the California Community College Chancellor's Office and the California State University Chancellor's Office to each establish a pilot program to allow overnight parking on campuses by eligible students.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**AB-1841 (Weber) - Student safety: opioid overdose reversal medication: student housing facilities.**

Requires health centers on campus of the California Community College (CCC) and California State University (CSU) to provide two doses of opioid overdose reversal medication to each housing facilities and sorority and fraternity housing on campus and establishes the opioid overdose reversal medication training and notification requirements for students, residential advisors, and house managers on CCC and CSU campuses.

**Status:** Chapter 942, Statutes of 2024



**AB-1891 (Weber) - Community colleges: allied health programs.**

Expands the use of the multicriteria screening process and subsequent reporting requirements on the effectiveness of the process, to impacted allied health programs offered by California Community Colleges.

**Status:** Chapter 362, Statutes of 2024

**AB-1914 (Grayson) - Community colleges: providers of care for individuals with developmental disabilities: model curriculum.**

Requires the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to develop a model curriculum for a certification program for providers of care for individuals with developmental disabilities, designed to be offered at community college campuses where there is sufficient student interest and properly qualified faculty to sustain such a program.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-1942 (Cervantes) - Public postsecondary education: students: paid opportunities.**

Requires all students attending the California State University or the California Community Colleges, regardless of immigration status, to be eligible to apply for and accept paid opportunities at the California State University or the California Community Colleges, including, but not limited to, employment, fellowships, residencies, apprenticeships, and contract work. Requires the trustees and the board of governors to adopt policies consistent with that requirement.

**Status:** Died for lack of hearing - Assembly Higher Education Committee

**AB-2033 (Reyes) - Public postsecondary education: electronic benefits transfer cards: basic needs services and resources.**

Requires the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests the University of California to implement various programs and tools, as defined, to help students access basic needs resources on-and off-campus.

**Status:** Chapter 913, Statutes of 2024

**AB-2093 (Santiago) - Community colleges: California College Promise: fee waiver eligibility and funding formula.**

Authorizes extending the Community College enrollment fee waiver that students are eligible for under the California College Promise by an additional two years of full-time attendance in an upper division community college baccalaureate degree program for a total of four years of eligibility.

**Veto Message:** *This bill extends the California College Promise program's potential term of eligibility by an additional two academic years for first-time community college students and*

*returning community college students who matriculate into upper-division coursework of a community college baccalaureate degree program.*

*I admire the author's commitment to college affordability. Unfortunately, this bill could create significant ongoing and increasing General Fund cost pressures and was not included in the 2024 Budget Act. Further, community college students pursuing baccalaureate degrees may receive a California College Promise Grant, a Cal Grant, or a Middle Class Scholarship award if they meet eligibility requirements.*

*In partnership with the Legislature this year, my Administration has enacted a balanced budget that avoids deep program cuts to vital services and protected investments in education, health care, climate, public safety, housing, and social service programs that millions of Californians rely on. It is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications that are not included in the budget, such as this measure.*

*For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**[AB-2403 \(Bonta\) - Community colleges: student equity plan.](#)**

Requires a student equity plan to also include a description of the active involvement of all groups on campus in developing the student equity plan for each community college in a community college district.

**Status:** Chapter 715, Statutes of 2024

**[AB-2608 \(Gabriel\) - Postsecondary education: sexual violence and sexual harassment: training.](#)**

Updates existing sexual violence and sexual harassment prevention training for students to include training on drug-facilitated sexual assault, as defined and requires the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California to consider updating the sexual violence and sexual harassment prevention training for students every two years, beginning on September 1.

**Status:** Chapter 110, Statutes of 2024

**[AB-2852 \(Garcia\) - Public postsecondary education: California-Mexico Higher Education Development and Academic Exchange Program.](#)**

Establishes, until January 1, 2031, the California-México Higher Education Development and Academic Exchange Program for 400 students who attend a campus of the University of California (UC), the California State University (CSU), or the California Community Colleges (CCC) to attend universities in México and for 400 students who attend a university in México to attend a campus of the UC, CSU, or CCC, each year and

establishes the California-México Higher Education Development and Academic Exchange Program Fund to be housed in the California State Treasury.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**AB-2953 (Alvarez) - Public postsecondary education: University of California and California State University: first-generation students: outreach and admission.**

Requires the California State University, and requests the University of California, to develop and implement a 4-year accountability plan for outreach to, and admission of, first-generation students to each segment.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Senate Appropriations Committee

**SB-11 (Menjivar) - California State University: mental health counseling.**

Requires California State University campuses to have one full-time equivalent mental health counselor per 1,500 students. This bill further requires the Department of Health Care Access and information to administer a noncompetitive grant program to provide qualifying students with grants.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

**SB-1200 (Glazer) - California State University students: California Promise: Finish in Four and Through in Two.**

Renames the California Promise Program (Program) established at the California State University as the Finish in Four and Through in Two Program. It further establishes an annual reporting requirement as specified and eliminates the sunset date, thereby extending the Program indefinitely.

**Status:** Held on the Suspense File in Assembly Appropriations Committee

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## Veterans

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### [AB-322 \(Mathis\) - Veteran and California National Guard Supplemental Orientation Act of 2023.](#)

Requires that each campus of the California State University and the California Community Colleges include in transfer and first-year student orientation specified information of benefit to veteran students and their dependents, develop and make available informational materials for those students, and requests the same of each campus of the University of California.

**Status:** Chapter 801, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-1745 \(Soria\) - Public postsecondary education: veterans: waiver of mandatory systemwide tuition and fees.](#)

Makes modifications to programs and definitions that serve veterans and their dependents.

**Status:** Chapter 695, Statutes of 2023

### [AB-2567 \(Mathis\) - Public postsecondary education: student housing: data collection: veterans.](#)

Requires the office of the Chancellor of the California State University and the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, and request the office of the President of the University of California, to require each of their respective campuses that provide campus-owned, campus-operated, or campus-affiliated student housing to include additional information regarding students who are veterans, as defined, required under existing law.

**Status:** Chapter 921, Statutes of 2024

### [SB-916 \(Seyarto\) - Public postsecondary education: waiver of tuition and fees: veterans: extended education courses.](#)

Requires the University of California and the California State University to waive tuition or fees for certain extended education courses for a student who is a dependent of a service-injured veteran, a medal of honor recipient, or a child of a medal of honor recipient.

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