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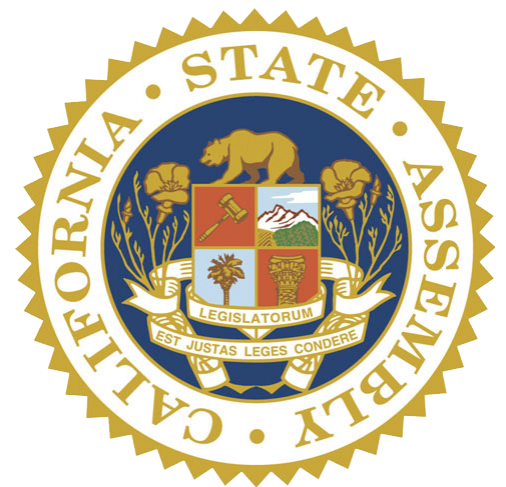
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# Academic Issues

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## **AB-233 (Boerner Horvath) - Public postsecondary education: University of California: admissions.**

*Held under submission – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill would urgently request the regents to require the Office of the President of the University of California to establish specified systemwide protocols for admission processes by April 15, 2022, and for the protocols to be effective in the university's admission cycle beginning August 1, 2022. These protocols would include a requirement that campus staff involved in making or informing admissions decisions report all attempts to influence admissions decisions, regardless of source, to their supervisors or to the director of undergraduate admissions. These protocols would also generally require the development and implementation of systemwide standards and procedures to promote an equitable admissions process for the campuses of the university, including processes to improve the proficiency and consistency of application readers. The bill would also urgently request the regents to require the Office of President of the University of California to submit an annual report to specified committees of the Legislature on prescribed topics related to the university's admission process and related practices of the campuses, commencing on or before July 1, 2023, and on or before July 1 annually thereafter.

## **AB-251 (Choi) - Public postsecondary education: admission by exception.**

*Chapter 47, Statutes of 2021*

Prohibits senior administrators, who work within or are associated with the defined offices, from being one of the three senior administrators tasked with approving students' admission by exception applications to a campus within the California State University and if adopted by the UC Board of Regents, the University of California system. The defined prohibited offices are campus development, external affairs, fundraising, donor relations, alumni relations or alumni outreach.

## **AB-299 (Villapudua) - Career technical education: California Apprenticeship Grant Program.**

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

This bill would establish the California Apprenticeship Grant Program, commencing with the 2022-23 academic year, under the administration of the office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, to provide grants to encourage high school pupils, community college students, and employed and unemployed workers seeking to enter career technical education and vocational professions through the participation in qualifying, state-approved apprenticeship programs. Under the bill, the chancellor's office would provide supplemental grants to apprentices who participate in qualified, state-approved apprenticeship and vocational programs through high schools, campuses of the California Community Colleges, and industry-driven and -funded state-approved apprenticeship and vocational programs. The bill would prohibit these grants from replacing any existing financial aid or compensation that an apprentice may receive during apprenticeship training.

## **AB-320 (Medina) - Teacher preparation programs: regionally accredited institutions.**

*Chapter 663, Statutes of 2021*

Clarifies that an individual who earned a bachelor's degree at a higher education institution that was in the process of gaining full regional accreditation is eligible to enter a teacher training program and earn their credential, if the higher education institution receives full regional accreditation during a specified timeframe.

**AB-403 (Kalra) - Fair Access to College Textbooks Act.**

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

This bill would establish the Fair Access to College Textbooks Act as part of the Donahoe Higher Education Act. The act would prohibit a campus of the California Community Colleges, the California State University, an independent institution of higher education, or a private postsecondary educational institution from assessing an automatic charge for instructional materials, as defined, to a student, or enter into an agreement with a book publisher or other entity to assess the charge, unless certain conditions are met. The bill would request each campus of the University of California to comply with these provisions. The bill would provide that these provisions only apply to a contract entered into or renewed after January 1, 2022.

**AB-595 (Medina) - Public postsecondary education: University of California and California State University: student eligibility policy.**

*Held under submission – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill would require the California State University Trustees and requests the University of California Regents, to engage in a specified process before adding any undergraduate student eligibility requirements.

**AB-609 (Kamlager) - College Athlete Race and Gender Equity Act.**

*Died for lack of hearing – Assembly Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media Committee*

This bill would require institutions of higher education with sports in which 50% of the institution's total sports revenue in the state exceeds the total aggregate grant-in-aid athletics scholarship amount provided to the institution's college athletes in the sport during the reporting year to pay a name, image, and likeness royalty fee to each qualifying college athlete, as specified.

**AB-927 (Medina) - Public postsecondary education: community colleges: statewide baccalaureate degree program.**

*Chapter 565, Statutes of 2021*

Removes the cap on the total number of baccalaureate degree programs allowed within the California Community College system and eliminates the January 1, 2027 sunset date of the statewide baccalaureate degree pilot program, thereby permanently authorizing the offering of baccalaureate degree programs at California Community Colleges.

**AB-928 (Berman) - Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act of 2021: Associate Degree for Transfer Intersegmental Implementation Committee.**

*Chapter 566, Statutes of 2021*

Requires the California State University and University of California to jointly establish a singular lower division general education pathway for transfer admission into both segments; requires California Community Colleges to place students who declare a goal of transfer on an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) pathway for their intended major; and, establishes the ADT Intersegmental Implementation Committee to serve as the primary entity charged with oversight of the ADT.

**AB-1002 (Choi) - Postsecondary education: course credit for prior military education, training, and service.**

*Chapter 567, Statutes of 2021*

Requires the Office of the Chancellor of the California State University and requests the Office of the President of the University of California to develop, by September 1, 2022, a consistent policy to award military personnel and veterans course credit.

**AB-1040 (Muratsuchi) - Community colleges: ethnic studies.**

*Died for lack of hearing – Senate Education Committee*

This bill would (1) require each community college district to: (A) commencing with the 2022–23 academic year, offer courses in ethnic studies at each of its campuses; and (B) commencing with the 2024–25 academic year, require the completion of at least one course in ethnic studies of at least three units as a requirement for a student to obtain an associate degree, and (2) require the Legislative Analyst’s Office to conduct a study on the number of ethnic studies courses the California State University accepted from the community college districts to satisfy the ethnic studies course graduation requirement.

**AB-1111 (Berman) - Postsecondary education: common course numbering system.**

*Chapter 568, Statutes of 2021*

Requires, by July 1, 2024, the California Community Colleges to adopt, at all community colleges and for each community college campus catalog, a common course numbering system. It further requires the common course numbering system to be student-facing and ensure that comparable courses across all community colleges have the same course number.

**AB-1115 (Choi) - Public postsecondary education: community colleges: statewide baccalaureate degree pilot program.**

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

This bill would extend the operation of the statewide baccalaureate degree pilot program by one year, until July 1, 2027.

**AB-1153 (Boerner Horvath) - Cooperative Education Reskilling and Training Pilot Program.**

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

This bill would establish the Cooperative Education Reskilling and Training Pilot Program at Mira Costa Community College. The bill would require the pilot program to include 11 not-for-credit work skill training courses that can be completed in 3 to 6 months, inclusive, and the design and implementation of not-for-credit career readiness training offered in conjunction with or before enrollment in the work skill training courses. The bill would require the chancellor to report to the Legislature on the implementation of the pilot program no later than January 1, 2024.

**AB-1187 (Irwin) - Community colleges: tutoring.**

*Chapter 927, Statutes of 2022*

Provides that supervised tutoring for basic skills, and for degree-applicable and transfer-level courses, as authorized pursuant to regulations adopted by the board of governors by July 31, 2022, is eligible for state apportionment funding.

**AB-1215 (Boerner-Horvath) - Public postsecondary education: University of California: admissions policy: systemwide protocols.**

*Vetoed*

This bill requests the University of California (UC) Board of Regents to adopt policies directing the UC Office of the President by specified dates to establish an array of systemwide protocols pertaining to undergraduate admissions and conduct additional auditing of campus undergraduate admissions.

*Veto Message: This bill requests the University of California (UC) Board of Regents to adopt policies directing the UC Office of the President to establish various systemwide protocols pertaining to undergraduate admissions and conduct additional auditing of campus undergraduate admissions.*

*I am committed to ensuring the fairness of admissions processes at all California colleges and universities, which is why I signed previous legislation with that goal in mind. However, I believe that the system-wide requirements stipulated in this bill could constrain the UC's ability to effectively use its holistic admissions process in admitting diverse cohorts of new students.*

*Moreover, I believe that the UC has addressed the majority of issues identified by the State Auditor with the seriousness they deserve and has already implemented many of the safeguards required by this bill. In light of the UC's ongoing implementation of audit recommendations, this bill is premature.*

*I will continue to monitor this issue and expect that the UC follows through on these new procedures.*

**AB-1417 (Frazier) - Community colleges: providers of care for individuals with developmental disabilities: model curriculum for certification program.**

*Died for lack of hearing – Assembly Education Committee*

This bill would require the California Community College Chancellor's Office 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.

**AB-1796 (Choi) - Public postsecondary education: reenrollment.**

*Chapter 323, Statutes of 2022*

Requires the California State University and requests the University of California to provide reenrollment rights to students who are in good academic standing and left the campus without obtaining a degree.

**AB-1815 (Nazarian) - Cultural heritage destruction: California universities and museums.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would prohibit the California Community Colleges and the California State University from inviting, and would request the University of California to not invite, a sponsored professor, as defined, to any campus or facility if the professor is employed by a college or university that receives funding from a country that has received an adverse judgment regarding the destruction of cultural heritage artifacts or sites by the International Court of Justice.



**AB-1964 (Mike Fong) - California State University and California Community Colleges: course articulation: ethnic studies.**

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

This bill would require the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the California State University to ensure that at least one course identification descriptor number in certain ethnic studies areas is issued, as provided. The bill would require each California State University campus to accept any community college course articulated or approved, as specified, as meeting the campus' lower division ethnic studies course graduation requirement. The bill would prohibit a California State University campus from revoking the approval of any community college course previously accepted as meeting the campus' lower division ethnic studies course graduation requirement, except as provided.

**AB-2187 (Luz Rivas) - Public postsecondary education: instructional strategies: the California Computer Science Project.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would add "The California Computer Science Project" to the list of subject matter projects established and maintained by the University of California Board of Regents for the purpose of creating collaborative opportunities between higher education researchers and faculty and K-12 teachers to develop and enhance teacher's subject matter knowledge and pedagogical skills.

**AB-2695 (Berman) - California State University: Cybersecurity Regional Alliances and Multistakeholder Partnerships Pilot Program.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would establish the Cybersecurity Regional Alliances and Multistakeholder Partnerships Pilot Program to address the cybersecurity workforce gap, as specified, and requires the office of the Chancellor of the California State University to select any number of campuses to participate in the pilot program through an application process developed by the chancellor's office on or before March 1, 2023.

**AB-2738 (Reyes) - Public postsecondary education: community colleges: matriculation: assessment.**

*Held under submission – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill would require California Community Colleges to make available information regarding course schedules and degree completion and to either offer courses associated with degrees and certificates within a specified timeline or report to the public and the California Community College Chancellor's Office the reasons why the college cannot provide the courses within the specified timeline, as defined.

**AB-2795 (Eduardo Garcia) - Community colleges: concurrent award of associate degree and high school diploma.**

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

This bill would authorize a community college district to establish and offer to students a course of study leading to the concurrent award of an associate degree and a high school diploma.

**SB-416 (Hueso) - Corrections: educational programs.***Chapter 766, Statutes of 2021*

Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to make college programs available to specified inmates.

**SB-512 (Min) - Public postsecondary education: support services for foster youth: Cooperating Agencies Foster Youth Educational Support Program.***Chapter 574, Statutes of 2021*

Expands eligibility for priority enrollment for current and former foster youth at the University of California, California State University, and California Community Colleges (CCC), and expands eligibility for a student support program for current and former foster youth at the CCCs.

**SB-547 (Glazer) - Animals: emergency response: California Veterinary Emergency Team program.***Hearing cancelled at request of the author – Assembly Higher Education Committee*

This bill requires the University of California, Davis School of Veterinary Medicine to develop a program to assist in coordinating and training a network of government agencies, nongovernmental organizations, and individuals to care for household and domestic animals and livestock during state emergencies.

**SB-684 (Hueso) - California State University: doctoral programs in public health.***Chapter 936, Statutes of 2022*

Authorizes the California State University to award the Doctor of Public Health degree.

**SB-964 (Wiener) - Behavioral health.***Vetoed*

This bill requires the California Community Colleges and California State University, and requests the University of California, to develop accelerated study programs for social work programs. Requires the Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) to commission a report providing a landscape analysis of the current behavioral health workforce and the state's behavioral health workforce needs, to convene a stakeholder group, and to make recommendations on how to address the state's behavioral health workforce shortage. Establishes the Future of California's Workforce and Surge in Behavioral Health within HCAI to expand and retain the behavioral health workforce and administer numerous new stipend, grant, and tuition reimbursement programs.

**Veto Message:** *This bill would require the Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) to commission a report that examines the current landscape of the state's behavioral health workforce, and to convene a stakeholder group to participate in developing and drafting the report for submission to the Legislature by January 1, 2024.*

*I commend the author for their work to ensure that all Californian's behavioral health needs are met. One major component to meeting this need is through an adequate and well-trained workforce, which is why I worked with the Legislature to include in the 2022 Budget Act, \$248 million over 5 years to increase the number of licensed behavioral health professionals, including more than \$100 million to increase the number of social workers. This bill duplicates existing efforts in assessing workforce needs and analyzing trends through HCAI's Workforce Education and Training Council and*

*its Workforce Research Data Center. Furthermore, this bill would require approximately \$1.5 million to implement, which was not accounted for in the budget.*

*With our state facing lower-than-expected revenues over the first few months of this fiscal year, it is important to remain disciplined when it comes to spending, particularly spending that is ongoing. We must prioritize existing obligations and priorities, including education, health care, public safety and safety-net programs.*

*The Legislature sent measures with potential costs of well over \$20 billion in one-time spending commitments and more than \$10 billion in ongoing commitments not accounted for in the state budget. Bills with significant fiscal impact, such as this measure, should be considered and accounted for as part of the annual budget process.*

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



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## Access & Affordability

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### [AB-288 \(Calderon and Mia Bonta\) - California Ban on Scholarship Displacement Act of 2021.](#)

*Chapter 925, Statutes of 2022*

Enacts the California Ban on Scholarship Displacement Act of 2021 (Act).

#### Major Provisions

Prohibits, commencing with the 2023-24 academic year, an institution of higher education from reducing the institutional gift aid offer of a student who is eligible to receive a federal Pell Grant award or financial assistance under the California Dream Act for an academic year as a result of private scholarship awards designated for the student unless all of the student's gift aid exceeds the student's annual cost of attendance (COA).

Specifies that an institution may reduce the institutional gift aid offer of a student who is eligible to receive a federal Pell Grant award or financial assistance under the California Dream Act by no more than the amount of the student's gift aid that is in excess of the student's annual COA.

Prohibits the institution from considering receipt or anticipated receipt of private scholarships when considering a student who is eligible to receive a federal Pell Grant or financial assistance under the California Dream Act for qualification for institutional financial aid.

Encourages an institution to implement efforts to avoid scholarship displacement through consultation with scholarship providers and students in order to avoid situations where institutional financial aid and private scholarships can only be used for specific purposes.

### [AB-295 \(Jones-Sawyer\) - Public postsecondary education: pilot program for free cost of attendance: working group.](#)

*Held under suspense – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill would require the California Student Aid Commission to convene, until July 1, 2025, a working group to research and develop recommendations for the creation of a pilot program that would cover the cost of postsecondary education at a public postsecondary institution.

### [AB-340 \(Ward\) - Golden State Scholarshare Trust.](#)

*Chapter 557, Statutes of 2021*

Conforms the State's 529 college savings plan statute to recent changes in federal tax law that expand allowable withdrawals from 529 plans to include expenses associated with participation in a registered apprenticeship program and student loan repayment.

### [AB-417 \(McCarty\) - Rising Scholars Network: justice-involved students.](#)

*Chapter 558, Statutes of 2021*

Authorizes the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office to establish a program, named the Rising Scholars Network, for services in support of postsecondary education for justice-involved students.

**AB-737 (Santiago) - Public postsecondary education: California State University: tuition.**

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

This bill would prohibit the charging of tuition or mandatory systemwide fees for enrollment at a campus of the California State University for any academic year, for up to 2 academic years, to a California Community College resident transfer student who has completed an associate degree for transfer, has received a fee waiver pursuant to the California College Promise, and is at least 28 years of age, as specified. Upon the enactment of an appropriation for this purpose, the bill would require the Chancellor of the California State University to distribute funding to each California State University campus to offset the costs of waiving tuition and mandatory systemwide fees to transfer students pursuant to this bill. The bill would make implementation of its provisions contingent upon the enactment of an appropriation for its purposes.

**AB-756 (Nazarian) - California Kids Investment and Development Savings Program.**

*Died for lack of hearing – Assembly Banking and Finance Committee*

This bill requires that a financial institution that conducts business in California to pay a 1% fee of the amount of each educational loan made to a private person for purposes of financing the person's education in the state. Specifies that the fee shall not apply to subsidized loans made through educational institutions. Requires that the fee paid by financial institutions be remitted to the State Treasury for deposit into the California Kids Investment and Development Savings Program Fund for support of the program.

**AB-1073 (Berman) - Community colleges: students enrolled in early childhood education or child development courses: fee waivers.**

*Held under suspense – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would establish the Early Childhood Education Workforce Waiver, a California Community College tuition fee waiver available to students enrolled in early childhood education courses if the enrolled student meets specified qualifications including declaring a major related to early childhood education, as defined.

**AB-1097 (Santiago) - Community colleges: California College Promise: fee waiver eligibility.**

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

This bill would specify that first-time students include formerly and currently incarcerated students, and would expand eligibility for a fee waiver to first-time students who are enrolled part time and complete and submit the required application. The bill would also make conforming changes.

To the extent that this bill would create new duties for community colleges that participate in the California College Promise, it would constitute a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

**AB-1113 (Medina) - Public postsecondary education: exemption from tuition and fees: qualifying survivors of persons providing medical or emergency services deceased during COVID-19 California state of emergency.**

*Chapter 569, Statutes of 2021*

Establishes a tuition and fee waiver at campuses of the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California for spouses and dependents of doctors, nurses, and first responders who died from COVID-19 and were either employed or contracted to provide medical services during the California COVID-19 state of emergency.

**AB-1185 (Cervantes) - Student financial aid: Cal Grant program.**

*Vetoed*

This bill provides students, due to the COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency, with one additional year to meet time-out-of-high-school and age-related eligibility requirements for receiving specified Cal Grant financial aid; and, repeals specified provisions of this measure on January 1, 2024.

*Veto Message: This bill would provide students with an additional year to meet the time-out-of-high-school and age-related Cal Grant eligibility requirements, and would permit students who received a Cal Grant transfer entitlement award in the 2019-20 academic year to use their award for an additional year.*

*This year's Budget included hundreds of millions of dollars in financial aid to support college students impacted by the pandemic and made historic ongoing investments in the state's Cal Grant and Middle Class Scholarship programs. These investments include expanding Cal Grant eligibility to more community college students by eliminating age and time-out-of-high-school requirements. In addition, these Cal Grant awards will now follow community college students to the UC and CSU upon transfer.*

*While I applaud the author's goal of supporting college students whose academic trajectories were disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic, this bill results in significant impact to the General Fund, likely totaling more than \$200 million over a four-year period. For these reasons, I must regretfully return this bill.*

**AB-1232 (McCarty) - Community colleges: nonresident tuition fees: English as a second language courses.**

*Chapter 512, Statutes of 2022*

Adds an exception to the requirement for payment of California Community College nonresident tuition for specified students enrolled in a credit English as a second language course.

**AB-1421 (Nguyen) - Public postsecondary education: refunds of student campus fees.**

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

This bill would require the California Community College Board of Governors, and the California State University Board of Trustees, and requests the University of California Board of Regents, to: (1) identify the students in their respective systems who, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, were obliged to stay away from the campuses at which they were enrolled during the 2019–20 and 2020–21 academic years; (2) ascertain the amounts of campus fees collected from each of the students, and calculate from those amounts of campus fees, the amounts from which the students received no

value because of their enforced absence from campus and which should therefore be refunded to the students by the State of California; and (3) submit the total amounts ascertained and calculated to the Department of Finance and the Joint Legislative Budget Committee.

**AB-1456 (Medina) - Student financial aid: Cal Grant Reform Act.**

*Vetoed*

This bill enacts the Cal Grant Reform Act - making significant reforms to the state's financial aid Cal Grant Programs, including the phase-out of some existing programs and the creation of the new Cal Grant 2 Program for California Community Colleges students, and the Cal Grant 4 Program for students attending the University of California, California State University, and eligible private postsecondary institutions.

Veto Message: *This bill would replace the existing Cal Grant financial aid program with new Cal Grant 2 and Cal Grant 4 awards, for students receiving new awards beginning with the 2024-25 academic year.*

*Expanding access to financial aid has been a priority for my Administration. During my first year as Governor, I worked with the Legislature to provide access awards of up to \$6,000 for students with dependent children. In partnership with the Legislature, we recently made historic investments in our financial aid system, including over \$235 million in ongoing resources to expand Cal Grant eligibility for community college students, and a combined \$632 million in ongoing resources to focus the Middle Class Scholarship Program on reducing students' total cost of attendance. This bill seeks to replace those investments prior to their full implementation.*

*I agree with the author that making the Cal Grant program simpler to navigate would benefit our students and their families. However, this bill results in significant cost pressures to the state, likely in the hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Future changes to the financial aid system of this magnitude should be considered as a part of the annual budget process.*

*For these reasons, I am returning this bill.*

**AB-1633 (Seyarto) - Public postsecondary education: veterans' educational benefits: information sharing.**

*Chapter 174, Statutes of 2022*

Requires the California State University, and requests the University of California, to electronically transmit specified personal information regarding students whose tuition or fees are paid, or intended to be paid, using GI Bill educational benefits to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

**AB-1671 (Patterson) - California Ban on Scholarship Displacement for Foster Youth Act of 2022.**

*Died – Assembly Floor – Inactive File*

This bill would prohibit a higher education institution, beginning in the 2023-2024 academic year, from reducing a student's institutional gift aid offer or award if the student has received a private scholarship, unless specified conditions are met.



**AB-1691 (Medina) - Education finance: Classified School and Community College Employee Summer Assistance Programs.**

*Died – Senate Floor – Inactive File*

This bill establishes, contingent upon appropriation, the Classified Community College Employee Summer Assistance Program, and makes changes to the Classified School Employee Summer Assistance Program, among other provisions.

**AB-1746 (Medina) - Student financial aid: Cal Grant Reform Act.**

*Hearing cancelled at request of the author – Senate Appropriations Committee\**

This bill would make significant reforms to the Cal Grant Program, the state's largest post-secondary financial aid program, including phasing-out existing programs and the creation of the new Cal Grant 2 Program for California Community College students and the Cal Grant 4 Program for students attending the University of California, California State University, and eligible private institutions.

\*Major elements of this measure were enacted via the State Budget Act of 2022.

**AB-1918 (Petrie-Norris) - California Reproductive Health Service Corps.**

*Chapter 561, Statutes of 2022*

Establishes the California Reproductive Health Service Corps program within the Department of Health Care Access and Information to reduce the debt burden of current and future health care professionals dedicated to providing reproductive health care in underserved areas of California.

**AB-1958 (Mike Fong) - The Community College Student Access, Retention, and Debt Cancellation Program.**

*Chapter 929, Statutes of 2022*

Establishes the Community College Student Access, Retention, and Debt Cancellation Program to provide fiscal incentives to encourage the enrollment and re-enrollment of students at the California Community Colleges.

**AB-1998 (Smith) - Community colleges: nonresident tuition fees: Western Undergraduate Exchange.**

*Chapter 495, Statutes of 2022*

1. Authorizes the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges to enter into the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) through the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education.
2. Authorizes community college districts with 3,000 or fewer full-time equivalent students to also exempt students from states that participate in the WUE from the mandatory fee requirement, as specified.
3. Decreases the per-unit fee for eligible students from three times the amount of the fee established for residents to one and one-half times the amount of the fee established for residents.

**AB-2004 (Cristina Garcia) - California DREAM Loan Program.**

*Chapter 484, Statutes of 2022*

Establishes additional requirements for a campus of the California State University or the University of California that participate in the DREAM Loan Program and sets borrowing limits; and, requires a

participating institution, on or before January 1, 2024, to establish DREAM Loan forgiveness options for borrowers with similar standards as those set for the Federal Perkins Loan Program.

**AB-2069 (Villapudua) - California Home Health Aide Training Scholarship Act.**

*Vetoed*

This bill creates the California Home Health Aid Training Scholarship to provide \$1,500 to potential home health aides to offset the cost of training for the purpose of recruiting and retaining individuals in the profession.

Veto Message: *This bill would create a Home Health Aide scholarship program within the Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) to increase enrollment in home health aide training programs and increase the home health aide workforce.*

*I support the author's goal of expanding the home health aide workforce. However, this bill duplicates existing HCAI programs that provide funding and scholarships to support and expand the home health aide workforce throughout the state. An individual interested in becoming a home health aide can apply to HCAI's Allied Healthcare Scholarship Program for financial assistance.*

*Additionally, the Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget included \$45.5 million for the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) and Home and Community Based Services (CNA-HCBS) Initiative, a multi-year project to address critical workforce shortages, and promote equity and diversity in California's CNA and home health aide workforce. This amount was augmented by the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which provided California with \$75 million to address HCBS workforce needs. While I appreciate the intent of the bill, it creates millions of dollars a year in ongoing cost pressures not included in the budget.*

*With our state facing lower-than-expected revenues over the first few months of this fiscal year, it is important to remain disciplined when it comes to spending, particularly spending that is ongoing. We must prioritize existing obligations and priorities, including education, health care, public safety and safety-net programs.*

*The Legislature sent measures with potential costs of well over \$20 billion in one-time spending commitments and more than \$10 billion in ongoing commitments not accounted for in the state budget. Bills with significant fiscal impact, such as this measure, should be considered and accounted for as part of the annual budget process.*

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

**AB-2093 (Mathis) - First responders: loan forgiveness program.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would authorize the California Student Aid Commission to establish a loan forgiveness program of up to \$50,000 for first responders who serve five years in a disadvantaged community, as defined.

**AB-2132 (Villapudua) - California Medical School Tuition for Medical Service Pilot Program.**

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

This bill would establish the California Medical School Tuition for Medical Service Pilot Program under the administration of the Student Aid Commission. The bill would provide financial aid to certain students to support their undergraduate, medical school, and graduate medical educations. The bill would require these students to commit to practicing for a specified period of time in primary care or a high-needs specialty in California in medically underserved populations and areas. The bill would require the commission to begin implementing the pilot program during the 2023–24 academic year, including by developing program eligibility, outreach, and monitoring criteria. The bill would, among other things, require the commission to develop eligibility criteria, including by prioritizing students who are underrepresented in medicine based on race, ethnicity, and language.

**AB-2222 (Reyes) - Student financial aid: Golden State Social Opportunities Program.**

*Vetoed*

This bill establishes, upon an appropriation by the Legislature in the Budget Act of 2022 or in any subsequent appropriation, the Golden State Social Opportunities Program, to provide grants to students, as specified, to be administered by the Department of Health Care Access and Information.

**Veto Message:** *This bill would, subject to an appropriation, establish the Golden State Social Opportunities Program administered by the Department of Health Care Access and Information. The purpose of the program is to provide grants to students who commit to work in a California-based nonprofit for two years upon completion of a postgraduate program leading to careers in specified mental health professions.*

*I share the author's goal of expanding the number of mental health professionals, and the 2022 Budget Act appropriated \$10 million for an identical program, championed by the author. The budget agreement allocated one-time funds for this purpose, but this bill codifies an ongoing commitment not provided for in the budget.*

*With our state facing lower-than-expected revenues over the first few months of this fiscal year, it is important to remain disciplined when it comes to spending. We must prioritize existing obligations and priorities, including education, health care, public safety and safety-net programs.*

*The Legislature sent measures with potential costs of well over \$20 billion in one-time spending commitments and more than \$10 billion in ongoing commitments not accounted for in the state budget. Bills with cost pressure, such as this measure, should be considered and accounted for in the annual budget process. For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**AB-2255 (Mike Fong) - The Affordable Broadband Service Program for California Dreamers.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would establish the Affordable Broadband Service Program for California Dreamers.

**AB-2263 (Villapudua) - Golden State Apprenticeship and Vocational Training Emergency Assistance Grant Program.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill establishes the Golden State Apprenticeship and Vocational Training Emergency Assistance Grant Program under the administration of the California Student Aid Commission to provide one-time grants to California residents in financial need.

**AB-2266 (Santiago) - Community colleges: California College Promise: fee waiver eligibility.**

*Held under submission – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill would extend eligibility for a fee waiver under the California College Promise Program to returning community college students who take a break for two or more semesters.

**AB-2371 (Santiago) - Public postsecondary education: California State University: tuition.**

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

This bill would prohibit the charging of tuition or mandatory systemwide fees for enrollment at a campus of the California State University for any academic year, for up to 2 academic years, to a California Community College resident transfer student who has completed an associate degree for transfer and has received a fee waiver, as provided. Upon the enactment of an appropriation for this purpose, the bill would require the Chancellor of the California State University to distribute funding to each California State University campus to offset the costs of waiving tuition and mandatory systemwide fees to transfer students pursuant to this bill. The bill would make implementation of its provisions contingent upon the enactment of an appropriation for its purposes.

**AB-2437 (Boerner Horvath) - California Pay Our Interns Program.**

*Hearing cancelled at request of the author – Assembly Higher Education Committee*

This bill would establish the California Pay Our Interns Program under the administration of the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) to provide grants to eligible recipients, as defined, for internships at offices of the Legislature, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or any state agency or department. The bill would establish the California Pay Our Interns Fund as the initial depository of all moneys appropriated, donated, or otherwise received for the program, and upon appropriation by the Legislature, would require the Commission to distribute moneys in the fund to eligible recipients, as provided.

**AB-2456 (McCarty) - Cal Grant Program: student eligibility: summer term.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would delete the provision that prohibits increasing the aggregate amount students may receive under the Cal Grant Program as a result of accelerating progress to a degree by attending summer terms, sessions, or quarters; requires that a student that accelerates college attendance and receives an award for coursework taken during a summer term, session, or quarter be enrolled in 30 or more semester units, or the equivalent, in that academic year; and, specifies, that for purposes of meeting the 30 or more semester units or the equivalent requirement, units taken during a summer term, session, or quarter may be included.

**AB-2491 (Cervantes) - Postsecondary education: cost of attendance: fiscal matters.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill establishes the Housing Cost of Attendance Act for the purpose of calculating and determining the cost of housing to be included in a full-time student's cost of attendance at the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California.

**AB-2522 (Gray) - Public Health Workforce Loan Repayment Program.**

*Held under submission – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill requires the Department of Health Care Access and Information to develop and administer the Public Health Workforce Loan Repayment Program to provide loan assistance payments to qualifying public health workforce staff.

**AB-2548 (Nazarian) - California Kids Investment and Development Savings Program.**

*Vetoed*

This bill increases the initial seed deposit for the California Kids Investment and Development Savings Program from at least \$25 to at least \$100.

Veto Message: *This bill, starting in the 2024-25 fiscal year and upon appropriation by the Legislature, would increase the initial newborn recipient seed deposit for the California Kids Investment and Development Savings (CalKIDS) Program from at least \$25 to at least \$100.*

*CalKIDS is an important tool that gives California's kids a jump start on saving for college or career training. I appreciate the author's leadership and partnership to establish this program and his advocacy to expand it. While I appreciate the intent of the bill, it creates an estimated \$33.8 million in ongoing cost pressures not contemplated in the budget.*

*With our state facing lower-than-expected revenues over the first few months of this fiscal year, it is important to remain disciplined when it comes to spending, particularly spending that is ongoing. We must prioritize existing obligations and priorities, including education, health care, public safety and safety-net programs.*

*The Legislature sent measures with potential costs of well over \$20 billion in one-time spending commitments and more than \$10 billion in ongoing commitments not accounted for in the state budget. Bills with significant cost pressures, such as this measure, should be considered and accounted for as part of the annual budget process. For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill.*

**AB-2572 (Blanca Rubio) - Student financial aid: Adult Learners Grant Program: distance learning.**

*Hearing cancelled at request of the author – Assembly Higher Education Committee*

This bill would establish the Adult Learners Grant Program, to be administered by the Student Aid Commission and subject to an appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act or another statute for its purposes.

**AB-2617 (Holden) - Pupil instruction: dual enrollment programs: competitive grants: College and Career Access Pathways partnerships: best practices: communication and marketing strategy.**

*Held under submission – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill establishes a grant program administered by the Superintendent of Public Instruction for the purpose of increasing participation in dual enrollment programs at designated local education agencies.

**AB-2624 (Kalra) - Public postsecondary education: course materials.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would require each campus of the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests each campus of the University of California, to prominently display the estimated costs for each course of all required materials, and fees directly related to said materials, for no less than 75% of the total number of courses on the online campus schedule.

**AB-2666 (Salas) - Behavioral health internship grant program.**

*Vetoed*

This bill establishes a new grant program within the Department of Healthcare Access and Information to provide stipends to students in behavioral health fields who are participating in unpaid internships or completing licensure hours, through unpaid positions, at a federally qualified health center.

*Veto Message: This bill would require the Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) to establish and administer a grant program for behavioral health professionals, who are participating in internships or completing licensure hours, through unpaid positions at Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs).*

*I share the author's commitment to supporting a strong pipeline of trained behavioral health professionals, but this program is duplicative of California's recent efforts in this area. HCAI has programs that provide stipends to behavioral health professionals including those that choose to work in FQHCs. Today, many of California's students who are studying to become behavioral health providers and who can provide post-graduate services at certain facilities, receive financial support from HCAI's Allied Healthcare Scholarship Program (AHSP).*

*Additionally, the 2022 Budget includes a \$1.4 billion health care workforce initiative, including \$248 million over five years to increase the number of licensed behavioral health professionals through grants to existing university or college behavioral health professional training programs as well as through stipends, scholarships, and loan repayment. This bill creates a new grant program duplicative of existing programs with millions of dollars a year in ongoing cost pressures not included in the budget.*

*With our state facing lower-than-expected revenues over the first few months of this fiscal year, it is important to remain disciplined when it comes to spending, particularly spending that is ongoing. We must prioritize existing obligations and priorities, including education, health care, public safety and safety-net programs.*



*The Legislature sent measures with potential costs of well over \$20 billion in one-time spending commitments and more than \$10 billion in ongoing commitments not accounted for in the state budget. Bills with significant fiscal impact, such as this measure, should be considered and accounted for as part of the annual budget process.*

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

**AB-2676 (Cervantes) - Postsecondary education: student financial aid verification.**

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

This bill would prohibit the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) or an institution of higher education from performing a verification to establish eligibility for state financial aid on a student more than once, unless there is a break in attendance of more than one year by the student or the student transfers institutions, in which circumstance an additional verification would be authorized. This bill would, however, authorize CSAC through an institution, or an institution internally, to verify student enrollment and grade point average for the purpose of verifying student eligibility under existing state financial aid eligibility requirements.

**AB-2747 (Nazarian) - Public postsecondary education: tuition and fees: Team USA student athletes.**

*Chapter 972, Statutes of 2022*

Authorizes the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC) to bestow a Team USA student athlete, who trains in the state in an elite level program approved by USOPC to resident classification for the purpose of determining tuition and fees.

**AB-2880 (Mia Bonta) - Taxation: credits: College Access Tax Credit.**

*Chapter 976, Statutes of 2022*

Extends the sunset date for the College Access Tax Credit by five years.

**AJR-26 (Medina) - Student loan debt repayment.**

*Chapter 174, Statutes of 2022*

Requires the Chief Clerk of the Assembly to transmit to specified individuals, copies of a resolution urging the United States Secretary of Education to establish and submit to the United States Congress for approval of a monthly student loan payment plan based on the personal savings rate as published by the federal Bureau of Economic Analysis.

**AJR-33 (Santiago) - Federal student debt: cancellation.**

*Died for lack of hearing – Senate Education Committee*

This resolution urges, on behalf of the Assembly and the Senate of the State of California, for the Biden Administration to cancel all federal student debt and requires the Chief Clerk of the Assembly to transmit copies of the resolution to the President, Vice President, and the United States Secretary of Education.

**HR-118 (Mia Bonta) - Student Loan Debt Awareness Month.**

*Adopted*

Declares the month of August 2022 as Student Loan Debt Awareness Month in California; and, urges all employers, especially public service employers and state agencies, to engage in outreach and notification to employees about the various student loan programs during this month.

**SB-436 (Dahle) - Community colleges: nonresident tuition.***Chapter 573, Statutes of 2021*

Removes the sunset date of provisions in current law, authorizing Lake Tahoe Community College to waive non-resident tuition fees and claim apportionment for a limited number of students residing in specified communities in the State of Nevada (in the Lake Tahoe Basin), thereby making the authorization permanent.

**SB-737 (Limón) - California Student Opportunity and Access Program.***Chapter 575, Statutes of 2021*

Makes various changes to the California Student Opportunity and Access Program grant program administered by the California Student Aid Commission.

**SB-851 (Portantino) - Cal Grant Program: independent institutions of higher education.***Chaptered 705, Statutes of 2022*

This bill would have modified the formula for determining the amount of a Cal Grant award for a student who attends any campus of the Independent California Colleges or Universities [sometimes referred to as nonprofit independent institutions of higher education]; and, further expands eligibility for supplemental Cal Grant programs and the Community College Entitlement program to students attending ICCUs.

*On August 25, 2022, this bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with personal income tax.*

**SB-893 (Becker) - Community colleges: San Mateo County Community College District: California College Promise.***Chapter 937, Statutes of 2022*

Authorizes San Mateo County 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.

**SB-1141 (Limón) - Public postsecondary education: exemption from payment of nonresident tuition.***Chapter 490, Statutes of 2022*

Modifies the eligibility for paying nonresident tuition exemption at a California public postsecondary institution established for long-term California residents, regardless of citizenship status, by removing the two-year cap on full-time attendance achieved in credit courses at a campus of the California Community Colleges that may count towards the three-year total attendance requirement that applies in existing law.

**SB-1341 (Cortese) - Homeless pupils: California Success, Opportunity, and Academic Resilience (SOAR) Guaranteed Income Program.***Failed Passage – Assembly Higher Education Committee*

This bill would have established the California Success, Opportunity, and Academic Resilience Guaranteed Income Program to provide monthly payments for five months to homeless pupils in grade 12.



**SJR-1 (Allen) - Student loan debt.***Chapter 147, Statutes of 2021*

Requires the Secretary of the Senate to transmit copies of a resolution urging the President of the United States to forgive up to \$50,000 of student loan debt per student borrower.

**SJR-9 (Limón) - 20th anniversary of the nonresident tuition exemption: American Families Plan: immigration reform.***Chapter 156, Statutes of 2022*

Recognizes October 12, 2021, as the 20th anniversary of the enactment of the exemption from nonresident tuition for qualified students during the 2001-02 Regular Session.



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# Administration & Governance

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## [AB-337 \(Medina\) - Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.](#)

*Chapter 23, Statutes of 2021*

Eliminates the prohibition against a student member voting during the student member's first year on the Board of the Governors of the California Community Colleges, and makes technical conforming changes.

## [AB-421 \(Ward\) - Community colleges: career development and college preparation courses.](#)

*Chapter 40, Statutes of 2022*

This bill would have allowed the funding determination for career development and college preparation courses to be calculated based on either ongoing attendance counts or a census date count, as specified.

*On May 2, 2022, this bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with the change of gender and sex identifier.*

## [AB-576 \(Maienschein\) - Community colleges: apportionments: waiver of open course provisions: military personnel.](#)

*Chapter 562, Statutes of 2021*

Waives open course provisions in statute or regulations of the California Community Colleges Board of Governors for any governing board of a community college district for community college courses the district provides to military personnel on a military base, and authorizes the board of governors to include the units of full-time equivalent students generated in those community college courses for purposes of state apportionments.

## [AB-914 \(Akilah Weber\) - Public postsecondary education: California State University: proficiency level of entering students.](#)

*Chapter 564, Statutes of 2021*

Modifies the requirements of an existing report the California State University (CSU) Chancellor's Office annually submits to the Legislature to include additional elements pertaining to freshmen student placement in CSU courses; changes the existing annual report deadline from February 1, to April 1; and, eliminates an interim report currently due December 15 of each year.

## [AB-1118 \(Low\) - Postsecondary education: institutional financial aid.](#)

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would require all California-based institutions of higher education with endowment funds where the ratio of endowment dollars to enrolled students exceeds \$200,000 to 1, or where the total endowment exceeds \$1 billion, to report specified information to the Legislature on their respective college endowment funds on or before March 31 of each odd-numbered year, commencing in 2023.

**AB-1216 (Salas) - California Community Colleges: governing board membership: student members.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill requires California Community College (CCC) districts to give student members of local CCC governing board an advisory vote immediately before votes are cast by elected trustees. This bill also requires, by June 1, 2022, the CCC Chancellor's Office to convene a stakeholder workgroup to review CCC local governing boards' policies and regulations and state and federal laws regarding student member involvement on governing boards. The bill requires the workgroup to make recommendations pertaining to student member compensation, making and seconding motions, and attending closed sessions. The workgroup is also to examine giving a student member a full vote on a local governing board. The bill requires the workgroup to submit a report, with the workgroup's findings and recommendations, to the CCC Chancellor's Office and the Legislature by June 1, 2023.

**AB-1290 (Lee) - Student Aid Commission.**

*Chapter 546, Statutes of 2022*

This bill would have expanded the California Student Aid Commission to include two additional student members.

*On June 15, 2022, this bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with theft of animals.*

**AB-1432 (Low) - The California Online Community College.**

*Chapter 947, Statutes of 2022*

This bill would have made the California Online Community College (also known as Calbright College) inoperative at the end of the 2022–23 academic year, and, as of January 1, 2024, repeals it.

*On June 13, 2022, this bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with LGBTQ+ Pride Month.*

**AB-1625 (Medina) - Trustees of the California State University: student members.**

*Chapter 103, Statutes of 2022*

Permits a student appointed to the California State University Board of Trustees, whose term expired on June 30, to remain on the Board until either January 1 of the following year or until the Governor has appointed their replacement; whichever occurs first.

**AB-1801 (Nazarian) - State holidays: Genocide Awareness Day.**

*Chapter 761, Statutes of 2022*

Adds April 24, known as "Genocide Remembrance Day," to the list of state holidays. The bill would authorize community colleges and public schools to close on April 24, known as "Genocide Remembrance Day," as specified. The bill would authorize state employees to elect to take time off with pay in recognition of "Genocide Remembrance Day," as specified.

**AB-2341 (Medina) - California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009: complaint processing contracts.**

*Hearing cancelled at request of the author – Assembly Education Committee*

This bill would authorize a public institution of higher education, as defined, to contract with the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education for the bureau to review and, as appropriate, act on

complaints concerning the institution, as provided, and requires a public institution of higher education that is exempt from the Private Postsecondary Education Act to comply with all applicable state and federal laws, including laws relating to fraud, abuse, and false advertising.

**AB-2359 (Gipson) - Compton Community College District: personnel commission.**

*Chapter 529, Statutes of 2022*

Establishes a timeline for the reinstatement of Compton Community College District Personnel Commission commencing one year after Compton Community College District's final payment on its state loan.

**AB-2627 (Bauer-Kahan) - Electronically collected personal information: state and local agencies: the California Community Colleges: memorandum of understanding.**

*Chapter 333, Statutes of 2022*

Authorizes a local agency, at the request of the governing board of a California Community College district, to enter into a memorandum of understanding that allows a local agency and a community college district to share electronically collected personal information about users for purposes of facilitating outreach to, and enrollment, of individuals in the community college system, subject to specified conditions including the user's written consent.

**AB-2820 (Medina) - The California Online Community College.**

*Died for lack of hearing – Senate Education Committee*

This bill would make the California Online Community College Act inoperative on January 1, 2024; and, on or before January 1, 2024, appropriates the California Online Community College's funding for specified purposes at the California Community Colleges.

**AB-2821 (Nazarian) - California Kids Investment and Development Savings Program.**

*Chapter 164, Statutes of 2022*

Delays the submission of the California Kids Investment and Development Savings (CaKIDS) Program implementation report by the ScholarShare Investment Board (SIB) to the Department of Finance and the Legislature from June 30, 2022, and annually thereafter, to June 30, 2023, and annually thereafter.

**SB-442 (Newman) - School districts and community college districts: governing board elections: charter cities.**

*Chapter 139, Statutes of 2021*

Authorizes a county committee on school district organization to approve a proposal to establish trustee areas for the governing board of a community college district or a school district, including a school district whose governing board is provided for in a city's charter, without a vote of the district's electorate.

**SB-673 (Portantino) - Adult Education Block Grant Program: reporting requirements.**

*Died for lack of hearing – Assembly Education Committee*

This bill requires the Chancellor of the Community Colleges and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to convene a task force to review the reporting requirements of the Adult Education Program and develop any findings and recommendations based on its review.

**SB-802 (Roth) - Private postsecondary education.**

*Chapter 552, Statutes of 2021*

Extends the sunset date for the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE) until January 1, 2023 and makes additional technical changes, statutory improvements, and policy reforms in response to issues raised during the BPPE's sunset review oversight process.

**SB-1433 (Roth) - Private postsecondary education: California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009.**

*Chapter 544, Statutes of 2022*

Extends the sunset date for the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE) until January 1, 2027 and makes additional technical changes, statutory improvements, and policy reforms in response to issues raised during the BPPE's sunset review oversight process.

Specifically, among other things, this bill defines physical presence, exempts certain programs, creates a pathway for institutions that lose accreditation, allows BPPE to deny applications for known violators of the law, allows for regulation of out-of-state public institutions and adds five new prohibited business practices.

**SCA-5 (Glazer) - University of California: regents: student members.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill amends the California Constitution Article IX, Section 9, to require the University of California Board of Regents (Board) to add an additional student member to the Board, who will serve for at least one year beginning on July 1, and will be a voting member of the Board with the same participation rights as other Regents.

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## Budget & Finance

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### **AB-75 (O'Donnell) - Education finance: school facilities: Kindergarten-Community Colleges Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2022.**

*Hearing cancelled at request of the author – Senate Education Committee*

This bill would place the Kindergarten-Community Colleges Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2022 on the 2022 statewide ballot, to be operative only if approved by voters at the election.

### **AB-1457 (Cervantes) - Public Level IV neonatal intensive care unit: University of California.**

*Hearing cancelled at request of the author – Assembly Higher Education Committee*

This bill would appropriate an unspecified sum of moneys from the General Fund to the Regents of the University of California each fiscal year, commencing with the 2021–22 fiscal year, to be expended only for the creation, construction, and establishment of a public Level IV neonatal intensive care unit in the County of Riverside administered by the University of California.

### **AB-1491 (McCarty) - Adult education: consortia: carryover of allocated funds.**

*Chapter 519, Statutes of 2022*

Authorizes an adult education consortium to reduce a member's funding allocation by no more than the amount of the member's carryover, if the majority of the consortium vote for the reduction in funds and if the member had excessive carryover for at least 2 years.

### **AB-1602 (McCarty) - Student, faculty, and staff housing: California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund Act of 2022.**

*Held under submission – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill would establish the California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund Act of 2022 (the Act) to provide zero-interest loans to qualifying applicants of the University of California, the California State University, and the California Community Colleges for the purpose of constructing affordable student, faculty, and staff housing; establishes the California Student Housing Revolving Fund (the Fund) as a continuously appropriated fund in the State Treasury; and, establishes that the Legislature intends to appropriate, in the annual Budget Act, the sum of \$5 billion, to be deposited in the created Fund.

### **AB-2046 (Medina) - University of California: Inland Rising Fund.**

*Chapter 526, Statutes of 2022*

Requires moneys appropriated by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act during the 2022-23 to 2024-25 fiscal years, to directly support campus expansion projects and University of California (UC) climate initiatives at the UC Riverside and the UC Merced campuses supplement and not supplant any current or future funding.

**AB-2272 (Low) - Postsecondary education: California Educational Facilities Authority.**

*Chapter 123, Statutes of 2022*

Authorizes the California Educational Facilities Authority (CEFA) to finance working capital loans to a participating independent (non-public) college and defines “working capital” for purposes of the CEFA Act.

**AB-2286 (Irwin) - Student financial aid: Student Aid Commission: donations and philanthropic funds.**

*Chapter 187, Statutes of 2022*

Authorizes the California Student Aid Commission to receive donations, bequests, grants, and philanthropic funding, as specified.

**AB-2422 (McCarty) - California State University: investments.**

*Chapter 530, Statutes of 2022*

Authorizes the California State University to invest in institutional commingled funds and exchange-traded funds, and limits investment in real estate investments trusts, to those subject to regulation by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, and increases the limit on the total amount that may be invested in specified mutual funds, real estate investments trusts, institutional commingled funds, and exchange-traded funds, to 65% of specified money.

**SB-22 (Glazer) - Education finance: school facilities: Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2022.**

*Died for lack of hearing - Assembly Education Committee*

This bill makes changes to the existing School Facility Program and places the Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act on the ballot for statewide elections in 2022.



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## **Building Standards & Contracts**

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### **AB-635 (Low) - Postsecondary education: California Educational Facilities Authority.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill makes changes to the California Educational Facilities Authority Act.

### **AB-846 (Low) - Local Agency Public Construction Act: job order contracting.**

*Chapter 303, Statutes of 2021*

Authorizes job order contracting for community college districts, in a manner similar to that authorized by existing law for school districts, until January 1, 2027.

### **AB-2232 (McCarty) - School facilities: heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems.**

*Chapter 777, Statutes of 2022*

Requires a covered school (school district, county office of education, charter school, private school, the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and requests the University of California (UC), to ensure that facilities, including classrooms for students, have heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems that meet minimum ventilation rate requirements, as specified, and to install filtration that achieves minimum efficiency reporting values levels of 13 or higher. Requires the California Building Standards Commission and the Division of the State Architect to propose for adoption mandatory standards for carbon dioxide monitors in classrooms of a covered school and the UC.



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# Campus Climate

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## [AB-524 \(Rodriguez\) - Postsecondary education: Campus-Recognized Sorority and Fraternity Transparency Act.](#)

*Chapter 268, Statutes of 2022*

Establishes the Campus-Recognized Sorority and Fraternity Transparency Act which:

1. Requires each institution of higher education to include in the institution's requirements for campus recognition of a campus-recognized sorority or fraternity, as defined, a requirement that the institution collect from the sorority or fraternity specified information concerning the sorority's or fraternity's members and their conduct on or before July 1, 2023, and annually thereafter.
2. Requires the institution to suspend the campus recognition of any campus-recognized sorority or fraternity that does not comply with the collection requirements.
3. Requires each institution with sororities or fraternities to compile the collected information into a publicly accessible report posted, and archived, on each respective campus' Internet website and sent through a campus-wide email to all enrolled students on or before October 1, 2023, and annually thereafter.

## [AB-1712 \(Medina\) - Public postsecondary education: campus climate: sexual misconduct: workgroup: survey.](#)

*Chapter 928, Statutes of 2022*

Requires the California Community Colleges (CCC) and the California State University (CSU), and requests the University of California (UC) to develop questions on campus climate and submit the aforementioned questions to the United States (U.S.) Secretary of Education to be included in the online survey for campus climate established by the U.S. Department of Education and administered by the CCC, the CSU, and the UC every two years.



# Economic & Workforce Development

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## [AB-39 \(Chau\) - California-China Climate Institute.](#)

*Chapter 227, Statutes of 2021*

Authorizes the Regents of the University of California to establish the California-China Climate Institute in partnership with the Institute of Climate Change and Sustainable Development at Tsinghua University and other entities and institutions in China and California.

## [AB-102 \(Holden\) - College and Career Access Pathways partnerships: county offices of education.](#)

*Chapter 902, Statutes of 2022*

Authorizes juvenile court schools, community schools, continuation high schools and county offices of education to enter into College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) partnerships with the governing board of California Community College districts and deletes the sunset date to provide the indefinite continuation of CCAP partnerships.

## [AB-1701 \(Medina\) - California State University: Jump Start Grant Program.](#)

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would establish the California State University Jump Start Grant Program to increase the number of tenure-track and full-time and part-time limited term bilingual faculty for bilingual authorization programs of accredited schools of education.

## [AB-1719 \(Ward\) - Housing: Community College Faculty and Employee Housing Act of 2022.](#)

*Chapter 640, Statutes of 2022*

Establishes the Community College Faculty and Employee Housing Act of 2022.



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# General Higher Education

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## **AB-99 (Irwin) - Statewide longitudinal data system: California Cradle-to-Career Data System: governance and support.**

*Died – Senate Floor – Inactive File*

This bill would have established the Cradle-to-Career Data System, a statewide data infrastructure that integrates data from various partner entities including higher education institutions.

## **AB-103 (Holden) - Pupil instruction: College and Career Access Pathways partnerships: best practices: communication and marketing strategy.**

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

This bill would specify that “high school,” as used in the bill, includes a community school, continuation high school, or juvenile court school. The bill would also authorize county offices of education to enter into College and Career Access Pathways partnerships with the governing boards of community college districts in accordance with these provisions.

## **AB-396 (Gabriel) - CalFresh: educational programs.**

*Chapter 461, Statutes of 2021*

Requires the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to issue a guidance letter on the eligibility requirements for a campus-based program to become a local educational program that increases employability for the purpose of qualifying students for CalFresh; requires qualifying campus-based programs of the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests qualifying campus-based programs of the University of California, to apply to become local education programs that increase employability by September 1, 2022; and requires CDSS to issue a report annually, until 2030, on the progress of approving campus-based program as local education programs that increase employability, as specified.

## **AB-949 (Mullin) - Community colleges: Pathways to Biotechnology Programs.**

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

This bill would require the Chancellor’s Office of the California Community Colleges to establish a grant program to provide funding to interested community colleges that, through a public private partnership, establish a biological sciences incubator, as defined, on their campuses for the participation and benefit of their students. The bill would require the chancellor’s office to establish specific requirements for community colleges to be eligible for the grant moneys, and to work collaboratively with the community colleges that are interested in the program. The bill would also require the chancellor’s office to convene a group of stakeholders to obtain and provide the information that will be necessary to enable interested community colleges to implement the program.

## **AB-1052 (Cervantes) - University of California: law school.**

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

This bill appropriates an unspecified sum of moneys from the General Fund to the Regents of the University of California each fiscal year, commencing with the 2022–23 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 University of California.

**AB-1655 (Jones-Sawyer) - State holidays: Juneteenth.**

*Chapter 753, Statutes of 2022*

Adds June 19, known as "Juneteenth," to the list of state holidays, requires public schools, as specified, to close on June 19, and authorizes specified state employees to elect to take time off with pay in recognition of Juneteenth, as specified.

**AB-1913 (Bryan) - Los Angeles Community College District: California Center for Climate Change Education.**

*Held under submission – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill would authorize the creation of the California Center for Climate Change Education for the purpose of promoting climate change education at the California Community Colleges and to establish hands-on learning opportunities for community college students.

**AB-1936 (Ramos) - University of California: Hastings College of the Law.**

*Chapter 478, Statutes of 2022*

Modifies provisions relative to the Hastings College of the Law by striking references throughout the Education Code of its founder, Serranus Clinton (S. C.) Hastings; and, requires the Hastings College of Law Board of Directors, Round Valley Tribal Council, and Yuki Indian Committee to determine the new name of the College, as provided.

**AB-1942 (Muratsuchi) - Community colleges: funding: instructional service agreements with public safety agencies.**

*Chapter 930, Statutes of 2022*

Requires, on or before December 31, 2024, the California Community College Chancellor's Office to issue a recommendation to the Department of Finance and the Legislature on the instructional service agreement full-time equivalent student apportionment that community college districts are eligible to claim, and authorizes community college districts to submit data, as specified.

**AB-1963 (Salas) - California State University and University of California: gene synthesis providers.**

*Chapter 179, Statutes of 2022*

Requires the California State University, and requests the University of California, to develop systemwide guidance for purchasing gene synthesis equipment or gene synthesis products from gene synthesis providers who prevent the misuse of synthetic genes and safeguard the benefits of gene synthesis technology while minimizing risk.

**AB-1987 (Salas) - Postsecondary education: student mental health spending: report.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would require the University of California, the California State University, and the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office to submit an annual report by March 1 to specified entities on the use of funds allocated for student mental health resources.



**AB-2045 (Jones-Sawyer) - School district, county office of education, and community college district employees: personnel commissions: ranked groups.**

*Died – Senate Floor – Inactive File*

This bill would establish, for school districts, county offices of education, and community college districts, eligibility lists in ranked groups for the purpose of filling vacancies in the classified service, among other provisions.

**AB-2973 (Committee on Higher Education) - Postsecondary education: omnibus bill.**

*Chapter 465, Statutes of 2022*

Makes several technical changes to the Education Code. Specifically, this bill:

1. Revises the mission of the community colleges to include the provision of instruction and additional learning supports to close learning gaps for those in need of it, and the provision of student support services to facilitate academic success and achievement.
2. Replaces the term “remedial,” for “pretransfer,” and the term “basic skills,” for “foundational skills,” through the education code and makes other non- substantive and conforming changes to these provisions
3. Adds the Survivors’ and Dependents’ Educational Assistance program to the list of existing categories of beneficiaries under the Federal GI Bill, thereby exempting a student enrolled at a campus of the California Community College (CCC) or the California State University (CSU) from paying nonresident tuition or any other fee that exclusively applies to nonresident students.
4. Updates the list of campuses of the CSU that are the property of the state to include “California State Polytechnic University, Humboldt” to reflect the recent name change and transition of Humboldt State University.
5. Provides that a decision to discontinue additional admission criteria for an impacted program or campus may be implemented without following existing requirements for adopting a change to the admission criteria, provided that the decision is published on the campus internet website, described to community official and local high schools, and submitted to the Chancellor of the CSU for approval.
6. Delays, by three months, the date that the CCC Chancellor’s Office must provide the specified nursing report to the Legislature and Governor.
7. Includes double-jointing language to avoid chaptering issues with AB 1187 (Irwin) and AB 102 (Holden).

**HR-86 (Gipson) - Charles R. Drew University Of Medicine And Science.**

*Died – Assembly Floor*

This resolution urges recognition of Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science as a Historically Black College and University by the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

**SB-453 (Hurtado) - Agriculture: Biosecurity and Emerging Infectious Disease Fund.**

*Chapter 386, Statutes of 2021*

Creates the Agricultural Biosecurity Fund (Fund), to be continuously appropriated to the California State University Agricultural Research Institute to establish and administer a grant program for the purpose of supporting research on biosecurity related to agriculture. This bill states that all research grants shall be awarded to campuses of the California State University associated with the California State University Agricultural Research Institute, including, but not limited to, California Polytechnic

State University, San Luis Obispo; California State Polytechnic University, Pomona; California State University, Chico; California State University, Fresno; California State University, Humboldt; and California State University, Monterey Bay.

**SB-701 (Committee on Education) - Public postsecondary education: federal GI Bill: nonresident tuition: real property.**

*Chapter 110, Statutes of 2021*

Corrects technical errors and oversights, and makes numerous non-controversial and conforming changes to various provisions of the Education Code.

**SB-1199 (Roth) - University of California, Riverside, School of Medicine: teaching hospital.**

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

This bill authorizes the University of California Regents, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to secure a teaching hospital in the County of Riverside to serve as an academic medical center for the purposes of training UC, Riverside School of Medicine students.

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# Labor Relations & Employment

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## [AB-275 \(Medina\) - Classified community college employees.](#)

*Chapter 556, Statutes of 2021*

Reduces the probation period for classified community college employees in non-merit districts from one year to six months or 130 days of paid service, whichever is longer, and specifies that this bill would not apply to a conflicting collective bargaining agreement entered into before January 1, 2022, until the expiration or renewal of that collective bargaining agreement. Provides that full-time police officers and dispatch personnel as specified in both non-merit and merit California community college districts retain a one year probation period.

## [AB-289 \(Calderon\) - Classified school employees: merit system: adoption and termination.](#)

*Chapter 88, Statutes of 2021*

Makes changes to existing law relating to the adoption and termination of a merit system (i.e., civil service system) for a school district or a community college district, among other provisions.

## [AB-375 \(Medina\) - Community colleges: part-time employees.](#)

*Vetoed*

This bill 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 amends statute relating to part-time faculty at the California Community Colleges, including redefining a community college part-time faculty course load as not to exceed 85 percent of the hours of a full-time assignment, rather than not to exceed 67 percent.*

*Our system of community colleges could not operate without part-time faculty. Even though they carry an enormous amount of the teaching load across the system, these qualified instructors must often teach at multiple campuses in order to piece together higher wages, and do not receive the same salary or benefits as their full-time colleagues.*

*While I understand the objectives of this legislation, this bill would create significant ongoing cost pressures on the state and community college districts, potentially in the hundreds of millions of dollars. Such a high expenditure is better addressed in the State Budget process, which is why I am committed to considering options to support our community college part-time faculty in my forthcoming January budget proposal.*

## [AB-1269 \(Cristina Garcia\) - Community colleges: part-time faculty.](#)

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would require the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, by July 1, 2023, to conduct a comprehensive study of part-time faculty.

**AB-1383 (Carrillo) - Community colleges: academic employees: involuntary administrative leave.**

*Chapter 29, Statutes of 2021*

Specifies the timeframe in which a community college must complete its investigation and initiate disciplinary proceedings against, or reinstate the academic employee accused of misconduct.

**AB-1505 (Rodriguez) - Community colleges: full-time faculty obligation.**

*Held under submission – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill would require the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges to adopt regulations that require the fall of 2023 full-time faculty obligation for each community college district to be set to the actual full-time faculty number reported for the fall of 2022 and annually adjusted pursuant to these regulations as specified.

**AB-1548 (Carrillo) - Classified school employees: restricted positions.**

*Died for lack of hearing – Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee*

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to provisions relating to restricted classified school employee positions.

**AB-1752 (Santiago) - Community colleges: part-time employees.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would require community college districts to adopt terms of compensation for part-time faculty of at least the same ratio to the full-time faculty for comparable duties to ensure pay parity for part-time faculty.

**AB-1844 (Medina) - Higher Education Student and Faculty Protection Act.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would provide a mechanism by which public postsecondary institutions are required to inquire whether an applicant for employment, as defined, is the subject of a sexual misconduct investigation and to disclose to future employers whether an employee was the subject of a sexual misconduct investigation while they were employed. Requires campuses to establish positions on campus to provide survivor and respondent supports, as defined.

**AB-1856 (Medina) - Community colleges: part-time employees.**

*Vetoed*

This bill 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 amends statute relating to part-time faculty at the California Community Colleges, including redefining a community college part-time faculty course load as not to exceed 85 percent of the hours of a full-time assignment, rather than not to exceed 67 percent.*

*As part of my veto message last year for Assembly Bill 375, I made a commitment to supporting community college part-time faculty in the Governor's Budget. This commitment is reflected in the 2022 Budget Act that provides \$200 million in ongoing funding to incentivize community colleges to provide health insurance for part-time faculty at the community colleges.*

*The bill is premature as it is unknown how many community college part-time faculty will benefit from the \$200 million now available to districts, which will have a direct impact on the fiscal estimate of this proposed policy change. The bill is estimated to create \$26 million to an excess of \$150 million of Proposition 98 General Fund cost pressures not reflected in the state's current fiscal plan. For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature.*

**AB-1997 (Gipson) - California State University: emergency response programs: report.**

*Chapter 931, Statutes of 2022*

Requires the Chancellor of the California State University (CSU), on or before July 1, 2023, to convene a stakeholder workgroup that includes a representative from specified stakeholders to evaluate and report on alternative options to current emergency response programs on CSU campuses and alternative dispute resolution options to resolve employee conflicts.

**AB-2413 (Carrillo) - Classified school and community college employees: disciplinary hearings: compensation.**

*Chapter 913, Statutes of 2022*

Subject to certain specified exceptions, prohibits the suspension, demotion, or dismissal without pay of a permanent classified employee employed by a school district or community college district who timely requests a hearing on charges against the employee and before a decision is rendered on the matter, among other provisions.

**AB-2464 (Cristina Garcia) - California State University: employees: paid parental leave of absence.**

*Vetoed*

This bill requires the California State University 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 of the employee or the placement of a child with an employee in connection with the adoption or foster care of the child by the employee.

*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 an employee.*

*The CSU Board of Trustees recently ratified a collective bargaining agreement with the California Faculty Association (CFA) that maintained existing parental leave benefits. As part of their negotiations, the CSU and CFA signed a memorandum of understanding establishing a parental support workgroup, charged with reviewing parental support for faculty and making suggestions to relevant leaders. The report is anticipated to be delivered in December 2022. Notably, the MOU states "that the CSU may increase the numbers of paid parental leave days at any time." It is my expectation that CSU will seriously consider these recommendations and take appropriate action.*

*While I share the goal of supporting working parents employed at our nation's largest and most diverse public university system, this bill creates an estimated \$24 million in ongoing General Fund cost pressures not accounted for in the state budget. Further, as the MOU and workgroup illustrate, potential changes to CSU's parental leave policy are more appropriately addressed through the*

*collective bargaining process, which best enables labor and management interest-holders to collaboratively decide issues that impact the system and the people who power it.*

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

**AB-2664 (Friedman) - Collegiate athletics: coaches: misconduct.**

*Hearing cancelled at request of the author – Assembly Higher Education Committee*

This bill would prohibit the state's postsecondary educational institutions from hiring new athletics coaches, or renewing the employment contract of existing athletics coaches, who have been convicted or found civilly liable of misconduct, as defined, related to their current or any previous employment.

**SB-410 (Leyva) - Public postsecondary education: California State University: nonfaculty staff employees: merit salary system.**

*Vetoed*

This bill requires the California State University (CSU), utilizing existing CSU resources, to implement a merit nine-step salary system for all CSU nonfaculty staff employees that runs for 15 years, as specified.

*Veto Message: This bill establishes a nine-step merit salary system for all represented California State University (CSU) nonfaculty staff employees with each employee to be placed in the salary step based on their existing years as a represented nonfaculty staff employee in the CSU. The bill also requires that language that effectuates the bill's provisions shall automatically be incorporated into any pertinent memorandum of understanding or collective bargaining agreement entered into, or renewed, by the CSU on or after January 1, 2023. Additionally, the bill requires the CSU to fund the proposed salary increases within existing resources.*

*Raising wages and creating salary equity for nonfaculty staff at our nation's largest and most diverse public university system is a goal that the CSU should strive to achieve, especially as these aims can positively impact recruitment and retention. This bill, however, creates cost pressures of \$287 million in the first year and rises to more than \$850 million in ongoing General Fund cost pressures not specifically accounted for in the State or CSU budget plans. Unless significant additional resources are added to the system, it would require that resources be redirected away from other purposes, likely including student success efforts.*

*Earlier this year, my Administration and the CSU agreed to a Compact that includes a commitment to significant multi-year investments in the CSU. It is my expectation that CSU leadership can both meet the commitments of the Compact and transition to a steps model for nonfaculty staff. I expect the CSU Board of Trustees and Interim Chancellor to work collaboratively and creatively with their labor organizations to resolve these issues at the bargaining table.*

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

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## Student Success & Other Student Issues

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### [AB-245 \(Chiu\) - Educational equity: student records: name and gender changes.](#)

*Chapter 555, Statutes of 2021*

Requires a campus of the University of California, California State University, or California Community College to update a former student's records to include the student's updated legal name or gender if the institution receives government-issued documentation from the student demonstrating that the former student's legal name or gender has been changed.

### [AB-367 \(Cristina Garcia\) - Menstrual products.](#)

*Chapter 664, Statutes of 2021*

Requires all public schools serving students in grades 6 to 12 to stock specified restrooms with an adequate supply of free menstrual products, commencing in the 2022-23 school year; and requires the California State University and each community college district, and encourages the Regents of the University of California, independent institutions of higher education, and private postsecondary educational institutions, to stock an adequate supply of free menstrual products at no fewer than one designated and accessible central location on each campus.

### [AB-543 \(Davies\) - Public postsecondary education: student orientation: CalFresh.](#)

*Chapter 561, Statutes of 2021*

Requires campuses of the California Community Colleges and the California State University Board of Trustees, and requests the University of California Board of Regents to provide all incoming students with educational information regarding the CalFresh program, including the eligibility requirements, during campus orientation.

### [AB-730 \(Quirk-Silva\) - Athlete agents: minor athletes: health and safety.](#)

*Held under submission – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill would prohibit an athlete agent from sending a minor client who is a professional athlete to any location that would be hazardous or detrimental to the health, safety, morals, or education of the minor, or entering any contract that requires the minor to appear at any event or establishment where alcoholic beverages or other intoxicating substances are sold or served unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or the athlete agent at all times.

### [AB-775 \(Berman\) - Public postsecondary education: basic needs of students.](#)

*Chapter 942, Statutes of 2022*

As introduced, the bill requires each campus of the California Community Colleges to establish a Basic Needs Coordinator, a Basic Needs Center, and provide documentation of on- and off-campus basic needs resources for the purpose of providing basic needs services to students by specified dates.

*On June 17, 2021, this bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with campaign contributions.*



**AB-940 (McCarty) - College Mental Health Services Program.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would create the College Mental Health Services Program, a grant program to enhance the provision of mental health services on state college campuses.

**AB-1326 (Arambula) - Public social services: county liaison for higher education.**

*Chapter 570, Statutes of 2021*

Requires a county human services agency to designate at least one employee as a staff liaison to serve as a contact for academic counselors and other professional staff at a campus of an institution of public higher education within the county to provide information on available public social services; additionally, requires the agency to develop protocols for engagement between the staff liaison and a campus of an institution of public higher education. Requires by January 2025, the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests the University of California to submit a report to the Legislature and the Department of Social Services on the effectiveness of the liaison.

**AB-1377 (McCarty) - Student housing: California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund Act of 2021: community college student housing.**

*Chapter 571, Statutes of 2021*

Requires the California State University, and requests the University of California, to conduct a student housing needs assessment, by campus, and create a student housing plan outlining how they will meet their projected student housing needs.

**AB-1467 (Cervantes) - Student safety: sexual assault procedures and protocols: sexual assault counselors.**

*Chapter 556, Statutes of 2022*

Requires sexual assault and domestic violence counselors at public colleges and universities to be independent from the Title IX office, prohibits sexual assault and domestic violence counselors from releasing the identity of the victim without first obtaining specific permission, and authorizes the California State University (CSU) chancellor to collaborate with specified entities when reviewing executive orders related to discrimination, harassment, and retaliation.

**AB-1705 (Irwin) - Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012: matriculation: assessment.**

*Chapter 926, Statutes of 2022*

Establishes additional regulations for equitable placement reform at the California Community Colleges by stipulating the manner in which high school transcript data, whether formal or provided by the student, will be used determine a student's placement and enrollment in English and mathematics courses at the California Community Colleges.

**AB-1736 (Choi) - Community colleges: student government.**

*Chapter 79, Statutes of 2022*

Expands the eligibility pool of students who may serve as an elected officer in the student government of a community college, to include students enrolled in 25 clock hours per semester and disabled students.



**AB-1764 (Medina) - Public postsecondary education: student housing: survey.**

*Hearing cancelled at request of the author – Senate Appropriations Committee*

This bill would establish a reporting requirement for the California Community Colleges and the California State University and requests the University of California to collect data on student housing insecurities at each of their respective campuses.

**AB-1968 (Seyarto) - Public postsecondary education: uniform informational guidance for sexual assault victims.**

*Chapter 115, Statutes of 2022*

Requires that the Trustees of the California State University, and requests that the Regents of the University of California, develop content and presentation standards and a model internet website template regarding the steps a student who is a victim of sexual assault may take immediately following the assault.

**AB-2122 (Choi) - Public postsecondary education: mental health hotlines: student identification cards.**

*Chapter 183, Statutes of 2022*

Requires each campus of a California State University (CSU) and the California Community Colleges (CCC), and request each campus of the University of California (UC), with a campus mental health hotline to have printed on either side of student identification cards the telephone number of their mental health hotline or the city's or county's mental health hotline, for which the campus is located, if the campus does not have a campus mental health hotline.

**AB-2315 (Arambula) - Community colleges: records: affirmed name and gender identification.**

*Chapter 932, Statutes 2022*

Requires the governing board of each community college district to implement a process by which current students, staff, and faculty can declare an affirmed name, gender, or both name and gender identification to be used in records where legal names are not required by law.

**AB-2425 (Bryan) - Community colleges: Hire UP: From Corrections to Career Pilot Program.**

*Died for lack of hearing – Senate Education Committee*

This bill establishes the Hire UP: From Corrections to Career Pilot Program, to be administered by the California Community College Chancellor's Office.

**AB-2459 (Cervantes) - Postsecondary education: student housing: guarantee.**

*Chapter 593, Statutes of 2022*

Requires the office of the Chancellor of the California State University and the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, and requests the Office of the President of the University of California, to require each campus that provides student housing to post on its external and internal Internet websites specified information about the campus housing stock, the number of students requesting housing, and how many students are on waitlists.

**[AB-2482 \(Calderon\) - Public postsecondary education: student health: pilot program: wellness vending machines.](#)**

*Chapter 933, Statutes of 2022*

Establishes the Wellness Vending Machine Pilot Program, until July 1, 2029, that requires the California State University and the California Community Colleges, to establish at five campuses of their perspective segments at least one vending machine that dispenses wellness products. Additionally, this bill requests the University of California to establish at any number of its campuses, at least one vending machine that dispenses wellness products.

**[AB-2652 \(McCarty\) - Student Aid Commission: California Dream Act applicants: Food Support Pilot Program.](#)**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would establish a state-funded food support pilot program to provide California Food Assistance Program benefits to students who submit a California Dream Act application.

**[AB-2683 \(Gabriel\) - Postsecondary education: sexual violence and harassment: training and resources.](#)**

*Chapter 798, Statutes of 2022*

Requires the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and any independent institution of higher education or private postsecondary education institutions that receives state financial assistance to provide annual sexual harassment and sexual violence prevention training to students, as specified. Requests the University of California to provide the same aforementioned annual training to students.

**[AB-2810 \(Arambula\) - Student nutrition: CalFresh: student eligibility: Federal Application for Student Aid data.](#)**

*Chapter 934, Statutes of 2022*

Requires each campus of the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests the University of California, independents and private universities, as defined, to identify and conduct email outreach to students who may be income eligible for CalFresh based on their Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

**[AB-2881 \(Berman\) - Public postsecondary education: students with dependent children.](#)**

*Chapter 935, Statutes of 2022*

Requires the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests the University of California to provide students with information on the California Special Supplemental Food Program for Women Infants and Children and various tax credits, as defined; to grant priority registration to student parents, as defined; and to create a website with resources for student parents.

**[AB-2920 \(Arambula\) - Postsecondary education: students with disabilities: inclusive college pilot programs.](#)**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would require the California State University and requests the University of California to establish inclusive pilot programs to 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.

**SB-20 (Dodd) - Student nutrition: eligibility for CalFresh benefits.**

*Chapter 167, Statutes of 2022*

Permits the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) to notify students of their potential eligibility for CalFresh, by notifying students of their exemptions to the federal student eligibility rule if CSAC is aware of the exemption and is permitted by federal law to notify the student.

**SB-26 (Skinner) - Collegiate athletics: student athlete compensation and representation.**

*Chapter 159, Statutes of 2021*

Expands the existing authority for a collegiate student athlete to receive compensation to also include compensation earned from the use of the student's athletic reputation, and moves up the implementation date of existing statutes relative to compensation earned from the use of a student athlete's name, image, or likeness.

**SB-367 (Hurtado) - Student safety: opioid overdose reversal medication.**

*Chapter 218, Statutes of 2022*

Requires California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests the University of California, to utilize a statewide program to distribute a federally approved opioid overdose reversal medication to students and to provide educational and preventive information about opioid overdose and reversal medication, as specified.

**SB-785 (Glazer) - Public postsecondary education: California Promise program: California State University students.**

*Vetoed*

This bill requires, commencing with the 2023-24 academic year, that at least 5% of each incoming first-time freshman participate in the California Promise Program at each participating campus of the California State University [that offers the Program]. Additionally, this measure requires that at least 70% of those participants be low-income students, first-generation students, or students from underrepresented communities; and, makes technical and clarifying changes to existing law.

*Veto Message: This bill requires at least five percent of each incoming class at each participating California State University (CSU) campus to participate in the California Promise program, and that at least 70 percent of those participating undergraduate students be either low-income students, first-generation, or students from communities that are underrepresented in postsecondary education.*

*The author's efforts to increase CSU graduation rates and close equity gaps are laudable. I too share these goals, which is why my Administration, and the CSU entered a five-year Compact aimed at increasing student achievement, advancing equity, increasing affordability and meeting the State's workforce needs. However, I am concerned that this bill is overly prescriptive and could result in diverting resources away from other student programs that may be more effective in realizing the goals of the Compact.*

**SB-885 (Laird) - Community colleges: Current and former foster youth support: NextUp.**

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would eliminate the existing cap on the number of community college districts (20) that may administer the Cooperating Agencies Foster Youth Educational Support Program, and makes other changes to this program.

**SB-1229 (McGuire) - Mental Health Workforce Grant Program.**

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

This bill would require, upon appropriation by the Legislature, the California Student Aid Commission to administer the Mental Health Workforce Grant Program, as established by this bill, to increase the number of mental health professionals serving children and youth.

## Veterans

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### [AB-1606 \(Ramos\) - Public postsecondary education: veterans: waiver of mandatory systemwide tuition and fees.](#)

*Held under submission – Assembly Appropriations Committee*

This bill would make modifications to programs and definitions that serve veterans and their dependents. Specifically, this bill:

1. Requires that the annual income of the child of any veteran of the United States military who has a service-connected disability, has been killed in service, or has died of a service-connected disability not exceed the area median income, as defined, if that child's tuition and fees are not being charged, as specified.
2. Defines "area median income" as the median family income in the geographic area of the state where the dependent resides.
3. Defines "dependent of a veteran" to mean the natural or adopted child of a veteran, or stepchild of a veteran as defined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for compensation purposes, the unmarried surviving spouse of a veteran, or the spouse of a veteran with a disability rating of 70 percent or greater.
4. Repeals existing law prohibiting a dependent of a veteran from receiving specified state benefits while the dependent is entitled to receive specified federal educational benefits or duplicate assistance from any other government source.
5. Makes various technical and nonsubstantive changes, as specified.

### [AB-1731 \(Davies\) - Postsecondary education: Title 38 awards: postsecondary educational institutions: application for approval or renewal.](#)

*Chapter 380, Statutes of 2022*

Requires the California State Approving Agency for Veterans Education (CSAAVE), on or before January 1, 2024, to establish regulations requiring postsecondary educational institutions to provide specified information to CSAAVE as part of an application for approval or renewal.

### [AB-2692 \(Choi\) - Public postsecondary education: priority registration for members and former members of the Armed Forces of the United States.](#)

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

This bill would add the United States Space Force to the definition of "Armed Forces of the United States."





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