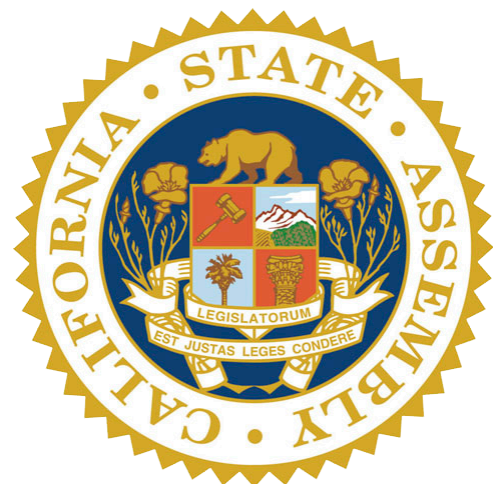


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Chaptered

AB-19 (Santiago, Chiu, McCarty) - Community colleges: California College Promise.

This bill establishes the California College Promise, to be administered by the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges which shall distribute funding, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to each community college meeting the specified requirements to be used to accomplish certain goals and waive the \$46 per unit fee for one academic year for first-time students.

Status: Chapter 735, Statutes of 2017

AB-21 (Kalra, Chiu, O'Donnell) - Public postsecondary education: Access to Higher Education for Every Student.

Requires the California State University, California Community Colleges and each Cal Grant eligible independent institution of higher education and requests the University of California, to establish various policies and actions to be implemented by postsecondary education institutions in California that safeguard against immigration enforcement activities on campuses.

Status: Chapter 488, Statutes of 2017

AB-172 (Chávez) - Public postsecondary education: residency: dependents of armed forces members.

This bill expands the current eligibility for resident classification extended to enrolled dependents of an Armed Forces member who transfer or retire to include admitted dependents of the Armed Forces member, for purposes of determining postsecondary institution tuition and fees. To qualify for the resident classification the dependent is required to remain continuously enrolled at the institution. The bill requests that the University of California (UC) to establish these same residency benefits for UC enrolled students.

Status: Chapter 165, Statutes of 2017

AB-214 (Weber) - Postsecondary education: student hunger.

Requires the California Student Aid Commission to notify Cal Grant recipients who qualify for participation in the CalFresh program; provides clarity to existing policies and definitions in order to simplify CalFresh administration for college students; and, requires the California Department of Social Services to maintain a list of programs that provide a student potential eligibility for a CalFresh exemption if certain requirements are met.

Status: Chapter 134, Statutes of 2017

AB-343 (McCarty, Gonzalez Fletcher, Nazarian) - Public postsecondary education: holders of certain special immigrant visas.

Exempts California Community College students who are refugees or special immigrant visa holders from paying nonresident student fees.

Status: Chapter 491, Statutes of 2017

AB-422 (Arambula, Quirk-Silva) - California State University: Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree Program.

Repeals provisions relating to the Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree Pilot program, and instead authorizes the California State University to establish Doctor of Nursing Practice degree programs.

Status: Chapter 702, Statutes of 2017

AB-504 (Medina) - Community colleges: Student Success and Support Program funding.

Modifies the current criteria for the development of student equity plans of which community college governing boards are required to maintain for each California Community College (CCC) in order to receive Student Success and Support Program funding under existing law by requiring the CCC Chancellor to establish a standard methodology for measurement of student equity.

Status: Chapter 742, Statutes of 2017

AB-508 (Santiago) - Health care practitioners: student loans.

This bill repeals provisions of law authorizing boards to cite and fine, or deny licensure or licensure renewal, to a health care practitioner if he or she is in default on a United States Department of Health and Human Services education loan.

Status: Chapter 195, Statutes of 2017

AB-584 (Quirk-Silva) - Student financial aid: California Student Opportunity and Access Program: Orange County.

Requires the California Student Aid Commission ensure that at least one California State Opportunity and Access Program consortium be established in Orange County.

Status: Chapter 500, Statutes of 2017

AB-618 (Low, Gomez) - Local Agency Public Construction Act: job order contracting: school districts: community college districts.

This bill authorizes community college districts to enter into job order contracts, an alternative construction contracting agreement currently available to school districts, until January 1, 2022.

Status: Chapter 296, Statutes of 2017

AB-637 (Medina) - Community colleges: cross-enrollment in online education.

Authorizes a California Community College (CCC) student who meets specified requirements to enroll in an online course provided by another CCC (referred to as a teaching college) through the Online Education Initiative Consortium; and, authorizes a participating community college

district to accept the determination of a student's residency classification under certain conditions.

Status: Chapter 743, Statutes of 2017

AB-705 (Irwin) - Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012: matriculation: assessment.

Requires community college districts to maximize the probability that a student will enter and complete coursework in math and English within a one-year timeframe by utilizing multiple measures to achieve this goal.

Status: Chapter 745, Statutes of 2017

AB-819 (Medina) - California State University: regulations.

Deletes the sunset date for provisions governing the adoption, amendment, or repeal of regulations by the California State University (CSU) Trustees and modifies the provisions to require CSU to post any proposed regulation on its Web site at least 45 days prior to consideration for adoption.

Status: Chapter 712, Statutes of 2017

AB-848 (McCarty) - Public contracts: University of California: California State University: domestic workers.

Prohibits the University of California (UC) and the California State University (CSU) from contracting for services performed by workers outside of the United States that would displace a UC or CSU employee.

Status: Chapter 844, Statutes of 2017

AB-868 (Berman) - Private postsecondary education: community-based organizations.

Provides an exemption from the California Private Postsecondary Education Act, including exemption from oversight and student protections provided by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, for an institution that meets specified requirements.

Status: Chapter 260, Statutes of 2017

AB-957 (Levine) - Higher education regional workforce coordination: California Workforce Development Board.

Requires the California State University, and requests the University of California, to participate in regional conversations pursuant to the Federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and report to the Legislature.

Status: Chapter 661, Statutes of 2017

AB-990 (Rodriguez) - Public postsecondary education: California State University: University of California: estimates of off-campus housing costs.

Requires the California State University campuses, and requests University of California campuses, to annually post on their respective Web sites the cost of a one-bedroom apartment in the area surrounding the campus.

Status: Chapter 170, Statutes of 2017

AB-1018 (Reyes) - Community colleges: student equity plans.

Requires the governing board of each California Community Colleges district to add homeless students to the categories of students required to be addressed in their student equity plans.

Status: Chapter 751, Statutes of 2017

AB-1178 (Calderon) - Postsecondary education: student loans.

Requires, commencing with the 2018-19 award year, that each higher education institution (except the California Community Colleges), to the extent feasible, send an individualized letter to their students regarding information on their student loans; and, specifies that if an institution is not able to provide a student with estimates, the institution shall inform the student in the letter that he/she may view his/her financial aid history via the National Student Loan Data System and must provide the Internet Web site link to the system.

Status: Chapter 448, Statutes of 2017

AB-1299 (Gipson) - Community colleges: Compton Community College District.

Enacts provisions related to the transition of the El Camino College Compton Center to the Compton Community College District, upon the latter receiving accreditation to once again operate as a district.

Status: Chapter 757, Statutes of 2017

AB-1424 (Levine) - University of California: Best Value Construction Contracting Program.

Makes permanent the authority for the University of California to use best value contracting for construction projects; and, when using best value contracting, requires contractors and all subcontractors to conform with the skilled and trained workforce requirements applicable to alternative construction delivery methods authorized in statute for use by other state or local government entities.

Status: Chapter 850, Statutes of 2017

AB-1533 (O'Donnell) - Pupil instruction: College Promise Partnership Act.

Removes the June 30, 2017 sunset date on the Long Beach College Promise Partnership Act, thereby allowing this program to continue indefinitely.

Status: Chapter 762, Statutes of 2017

AB-1567 (Holden) - Public postsecondary education: California State University: California Community Colleges: foster youth: Higher Education Outreach and Assistance Act for Foster Youth.

Requires the California Department of Social Services and county welfare departments to share relevant information regarding foster youth at a California State University and the California Community Colleges, and requires each campus to communicate eligibility for financial aid and campus supports with applicants and enrolled students who are current or former foster youth.

Status: Chapter 763, Statutes of 2017

AB-1651 (Reyes) - Community colleges: academic employees: involuntary administrative leave.

Requires academic employees of the California Community Colleges to be provided with information on all relevant complaints or allegations against them before being placed on administrative leave, with specified exceptions.

Status: Chapter 765, Statutes of 2017

AB-1655 (Grayson) - University of California: requests from the California State Auditor's Office: prohibition on coordination.

Prohibits campuses of the University of California (UC), when a request for information is made by the California State Auditor's Office, from coordinating responses with or seeking counsel or contact from the Office of the President. This bill also requires an existing biennial report the UC provides on the total costs of education to include amounts based on publicly available information and be prior year actual expenditures.

Status: Chapter 802, Statutes of 2017

AB-1674 (Grayson, Baker, McCarty) - University of California: nonresident student enrollment.

Requests that the University of California (UC), in collaboration with the Academic Senate of the UC, comply with specific requirements regarding the admission policies of nonresident undergraduate students, and report to the Legislature annually.

Status: Chapter 803, Statutes of 2017

AB-1731 (Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy) - Apprenticeships: training funds: audits.

Requires the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office to provide guidance to local educational agencies on the allocation and oversight of apprenticeship training funds.

Status: Chapter 94, Statutes of 2017

ACR-32 (Medina) - Community colleges: faculty.

This resolution encourages the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, in consultation with affected stakeholders, to develop proposals for legislative consideration to address the longstanding challenges to achieving the goal of 75 percent of credit classroom instruction taught by full-time faculty and compensation equity for part-time faculty.

Status: Chapter 161, Statutes of 2017

HR-35 (Rubio)

Requests that the University of California protect and support all of its students, faculty, and staff, and consider supportive housing options for those who are at risk of being negatively impacted by Executive Orders issued by the Trump Administration relating to immigration.

Status: Adopted by the Assembly.

SB-12 (Beall) - Foster youth: postsecondary education: financial aid assistance.

This bill (1) requires the California Student Aid Commission to work with the California Department of Social Services to develop an automated system to verify a student's status as a foster youth for the purposes of processing applications for state or federal financial aid;

(2) expands the Cooperating Agencies Foster Youth Educational Support Program from up to 10 community college districts to 20 community college districts; and, (3) requires the county child welfare case plan, for a youth who is at least 16 years of age, to identify the person who is to be responsible for assisting the youth with applications for postsecondary education and related financial aid.

Status: Chapter 722, Statutes of 2017

SB-68 (Lara) - Public postsecondary education: exemption from nonresident tuition.

Expands eligibility for the exemption from paying nonresident tuition at California's public postsecondary institutions established under existing law, to students who have completed three or more years of full-time high school coursework, and a total of three or more years of attendance in California elementary schools, California secondary schools, or a combination of California elementary and secondary schools; and, requires that the students graduate from a California high school or attain the equivalent, attain an associate degree from a campus of the California Community College (CCC), or fulfill minimum transfer requirements established for the University of California or the California State University for students transferring from CCC campuses.

Status: Chapter 496, Statutes of 2017

SB-164 (McGuire) - Public postsecondary education: priority registration for Tribal TANF recipients.

Requires each California Community College district that administers a priority enrollment system to grant priority registration for enrollment to any student who is a recipient of aid under the Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program; and, includes a definition of "Tribal TANF recipient" that is identical to the definition under existing law.

Status: Chapter 97, Statutes of 2017

SB-201 (Skinner) - Higher Education Employer-Employee Relations Act: employees.

Amends the Higher Education Employer-Employee Relations Act to provide collective bargaining rights to student employees at the University of California, California State University, and Hastings College of Law, whose employment is contingent on their status as students.

Status: Chapter 854, Statutes of 2017

SB-628 (Lara) - Local educational agencies: governing board elections: Los Angeles Community College District.

Deletes the requirement that the Los Angeles Community College District members be elected at large, and instead authorizes the members to be elected by trustee area.

Status: Chapter 243, Statutes of 2017



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Vetoed

AB-568 (Gonzalez Fletcher) - School and community college employees: paid maternity leave.

Requires that school districts, charter schools, and community colleges provide at least six weeks of full pay for pregnancy-related leaves of absence taken by certificated, academic, and classified employees.

Veto Message: *This bill requires school districts, charter schools, and community colleges to provide at least six weeks of full pay for pregnancy related leaves of absence taken by certificated, academic and classified employees.*

I have signed two previous bills, AB 2393 of 2016 and AB 375 of 2015, that allow these employees to receive differential pay for maternity and paternity leave. I believe further decisions regarding leave policies for school employees are best resolved through the collective bargaining process at the local level. I would also encourage districts to consider participating in the State Disability Insurance program that would allow these employees to receive pay in addition to what is already being provided.

AB-1064 (Calderon) - California State University: student discretionary expenses survey.

Requires the California State University to conduct a survey every three years at each campus to determine the average student's annual discretionary expenses, excluding tuition and fees, to attend the campus.

Veto Message: *While I understand the desire to provide students and families with detailed and accurate cost information on all aspects of college attendance, the bill requires too many data points to be collected, analyzed and reported by each campus at not trivial expense.*

If the Board of Trustees is dissatisfied with the way cost estimates are currently reported to the U.S. Department of Education's College Navigator, then the Board should decide what information is most valuable and how much funding should be allocated to its collection and dissemination.

SB-169 (Jackson, De León) - Education: sex equity.

This bill requires K-12 schools to use a "preponderance of evidence" standard to decide whether an incident of sexual harassment or violence occurred; requires higher education institutions to, among other things, adopt rules and procedures for the prevention of sexual harassment, and adopt and post on their web sites the grievance and investigation procedures to resolve complaints of sexual harassment.

Veto Message: *This bill would codify a combination of federal regulations and guidance on sexual harassment - some of which has been repealed, some of which is still in effect - as well as some language from model policies that have been developed by California universities.*

This is not a simple issue. Sexual harassment and sexual violence are serious and complicated matters for colleges to resolve. On the one side are complainants who come forward to seek justice and protection; on the other side stand accused students, who, guilty or not, must be treated fairly and with the presumption of innocence until the facts speak otherwise. Then, as we know, there are victims who never come forward, and perpetrators who walk free. Justice does not come easily in this environment.

That is why in 2014 I signed into law the first affirmative consent standard in the country for colleges to adopt in their sexual assault policies, so that clear and basic parameters for responsible behavior could be established. Yes Means Yes, along with its attendant preponderance standard, is the law in California, which only the courts or a future legislature can change.

Since this law was enacted, however, thoughtful legal minds have increasingly questioned whether federal and state actions to prevent and redress sexual harassment and assault - well-intentioned as they are - have also unintentionally resulted in some colleges' failure to uphold due process for accused students. Depriving any student of higher education opportunities should not be done lightly, or out of fear of losing state or federal funding.

Given the strong state of our laws already, I am not prepared to codify additional requirements in reaction to a shifting federal landscape, when we haven't yet ascertained the full impact of what we recently enacted. We have no insight into how many formal investigations result in expulsion, what circumstances lead to expulsion, or whether there is disproportionate impact on race or ethnicity. We may need more statutory requirements than what this bill contemplates. We may need fewer. Or still yet, we may need simply to fine tune what we have.

It is time to pause and survey the land.

I strongly believe that additional reflection and investment of time in understanding what is happening on the ground will help us exercise due care in this complex arena. I intend to convene a group of knowledgeable persons who can help us chart the way forward.

SB-318 (Portantino) - California State University: personal services contracts.

This bill establishes standards for the use of personal services contracts by the California State University.

Veto Message: *While I agree it is important for the California State University (CSU) to make prudent contracting decisions, CSU's union contracts already address the issue of outsourcing in the collective bargaining process.*

As such, I don't see the need at this point to further rigidify this process.

I would, however, urge both the Trustees and the Chancellor's office to make every effort to ensure that CSU's contracts are well-justified, well-executed and perform as anticipated.

SB-478 (Portantino) - Public postsecondary education: transfer of community college students to the California State University or University of California.

This bill requires the governing board of each community college district to direct community colleges to identify and notify students who complete an associate degree for transfer, to automatically award these students with the degree and add the students to an identification system that is maintained by community colleges in a manner that is accessible to the California State University and the University of California for purposes of streamlining transfer.

Veto Message: *This bill would require each community college to identify all students who have completed the requirements for an associate degree for transfer and automatically award that degree, but only in those years where the state budget appropriates specific funds for this purpose.*

I support efforts to increase the number of transfer students to the California State University and the University of California, as well as to other four-year private universities, but funding a sporadic, manual "degree audit" is not the answer.

It would be better for community colleges to update their technology systems and processes in total, so that all students know how close they are to completing their degrees.

SB-574 (Lara) - University of California: contracts: bidding.

This bill modifies the requirements for qualifying as a lowest responsible bidder or best value awardee for contracts for materials, goods, and services at the University of California.

Veto Message: *This bill seeks to equalize, or at least greatly minimize, the wage and benefit disparity between employees of the University of California (UC) and its contracted workers in specific job categories. This is the third time this policy, with some modification, has been passed by the Legislature.*

After twice vetoing prior attempts, I am tempted to sign this measure, for no other reason than it is a well-intentioned bill that seeks to improve the financial security of contracted workers, or, alternatively, expand direct employment at the UC for lower wage workers. As the UC prides itself on being an agent of social mobility for students, it might follow that UC could similarly be an agent of social mobility for lower-wage workers at its campuses.

Good intentions, however, aren't always enough. The mechanism to create this social change locks in cumbersome and overly costly contracting rules that provide little flexibility, regardless of circumstance. This will not serve the university or the state well.

In the best of worlds, the UC would make greater efforts to control its cost structure and find the means to better compensate lower wage workers, both employed and contracted-so that fewer would be concerned about housing, hunger and healthcare. Though UC has made some attempts in this regard, much work remains, including holding flat executive compensation and benefits that near many hundreds of thousands of dollars and more, far beyond what the average Californian would think reasonable for an employee of a public university.

What the state requires of the university's contracting policy should be more carefully considered, thoughtfully debated and weighed against other high value programs of expenditure. The State Auditor's recent report made some useful recommendations on contracting practices, which the UC can act on now. Other actions to improve UC's policies can be considered when the UC's total budget is considered by the state.



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Failed Passage or Jurisdiction Change

AB-394 (Mathis) - California State University: assessment and course placement of admitted students.

This bill would require, as a condition of receipt of state funding for the Graduation Initiative 2025, the Trustees of the California State University to approve, by August 1, 2018, a pilot program where a minimum of 10 campuses use multiple measures for the assessment and course placement of admitted students. The multiple measures approach shall place significant weight on high school transcript data in the assessment of recent California high school graduates, on community college transcript data in the assessment of community college transfer students, and on those transcripts in the subsequent assignment of these students to English and mathematics coursework.

On September 5, 2017 the bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with tribal gaming.

AB-445 (Cunningham, O'Donnell) - Career technical education: the California Career Technical Education Grant Program.

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature that related and supplemental instruction for apprentices, as defined, be fully funded for each fiscal year commencing with the 2015–16 fiscal year. The bill would authorize the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to adjust the amount of the allocations made to local educational agencies and community colleges under these provisions in order to fully fund the attendance hours of related and supplemental instruction for apprentices. The bill would also provide that if, in any fiscal year, the funds appropriated to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges for these purposes exceed the amount needed to fully fund the attendance hours of related and supplemental instruction for apprentices reported for that fiscal year, those excess funds would be available for allocation for those purposes in the following fiscal year. The bill would appropriate \$10,000,000 to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges for allocation to local educational agencies and to community colleges for related and supplemental instruction, as defined, for the 2016–17 fiscal year.

On March 15, 2017 the bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with career technical education.

AB-646 (Katra) – Student financial aid: debt.

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to help reduce the debt load that students face after graduating from California's colleges and universities.

On April 25, 2017 the bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with rental property.

AB-669 (Berman) – Economic development: California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program.

This bill would make the California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program inoperative on July 1, 2023, and make the repeal date for the program January 1, 2024, thereby extending the provisions governing the program until those dates.

On June 26, 2017 the bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with motor vehicle technology testing.

AB-813 (Eggman) – Postsecondary education: California State University: campuses.

This bill would add a Stockton campus to these institutions of higher education that are included in the California State University.

On August 31, 2017 the bill changed authors and was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with renewable energy resources.

AB-1268 (Reyes) – Public postsecondary education: instruction in financial literacy.

This bill would require the California State University and California Community Colleges and would request the University of California to provide each student with at least 2 hours of instruction in financial literacy.

On April 19, 2017 the bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with domestic violence and sexual assault prevention.

AB-1284 (Calderon) – Postsecondary education: students with disabilities.

Changes the references of "disabled student" to "student with disabilities" throughout the Education Code.

On August 24, 2017 the bill changed authors and was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with the Property Assessed Clean Energy program administrators.

AB-1355 (Bocanegra) – Private postsecondary education: fair business practices.

This bill would restrict an institution that is subject to the provisions of the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 from moving the location of instruction to no more than 15 miles from the location of instruction at the time of enrollment.

On April 5, 2017 the bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with state park fees.

SB-25 (Portantino) – Public postsecondary education: non-resident tuition exemption.

This bill, an urgency measure, modifies eligibility requirements for the exemption from paying nonresident tuition for students who meet the requirements to qualify for education benefits under either the federal Montgomery GI Bill or Post 9/11 GI Bill program, to align with federal law.

On August 29, 2017 the bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with election ballots.

SB-346 (Glazer) - Public postsecondary education: the California Promise.

Establishes the Student Success and On-time Completion Fund in the State Treasury, and authorizes the California State University (CSU) Trustees to use money in the fund to incentivize participation in a California Promise program through the offering of grants or a tuition freeze; and, requires the CSU to waive systemwide tuition or fees for a participating student unable to complete his/her degree due to limited space or no course offerings, as specified.

This bill failed passage in the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

SB-396 (Lara) – University of California: California Medical Residency Training Pilot.

This bill requests the Regents of the University of California (UC), by July 31, 2018, to develop and implement a California Medical Residency Training Pilot program for students who meet the requirements adopted by the UC Regents for receiving an exemption from paying non-resident tuition that are equivalent to the provision established by AB 540 (Firebaugh, Chapter 814, Statutes of 2001).

On June 28, 2017 the bill was amended out of the jurisdiction of the Assembly Higher Education Committee to deal with gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation.



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Status of Remaining Legislation

AB-34 (Nazarian) - Student financial aid: Children's Savings Account Program.

Establishes the Children's Savings Account Program, a 529 college savings account, for every child born in California after January 1, 2018, to be administered by the Scholarshare Investment Board for the purpose of expanding access to higher education through savings.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-80 (Arambula) - Doctoral program: agricultural education.

This bill would authorize the California State University, Fresno to award the degree of Doctor of Education in agricultural education. This bill would require the degree to be distinguished from doctoral degree programs at the University of California.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-95 (Jones-Sawyer) - Public postsecondary education: California State University: Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program.

This bill would require the Trustees of the California State University to establish a Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program with the goal of creating a model of articulation and coordination among K–12 schools, community colleges, and campuses of the California State University that would allow students to earn a baccalaureate degree for a total cost not exceeding \$10,000, including the cost of textbooks. The Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program would include campuses of the California State University, community college districts, and county offices of education in up to 7 areas of the state, but would only include institutions that explicitly request inclusion in the program. The bill would require the public postsecondary educational institutions and local educational agencies participating in the pilot program to coordinate their efforts to expedite the progress of participating students from high school to community college to the California State University.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-204 (Medina) - Community colleges: waiver of enrollment fees.

This bill establishes additional procedures to ensure California Community College students who lose student fee waivers for failure to meet minimum academic and progress standards are not unfairly impacted.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-207 (Arambula) - California State University: doctor of medicine degrees.

This bill would authorize California State University, Fresno, to award the doctor of medicine degree and would require the degree to be distinguished from doctor of medicine degree programs at the University of California.

The bill would require that the doctor of medicine degree offered by California State University, Fresno, be focused on preparing degree candidates to close the health care gap. The bill would require that each student in the program authorized by the bill be charged fees no higher than the rate charged for students in state-supported doctor of medicine programs at the University of California.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-209 (Mathis) - California State University: Agricultural education: professional doctorate degrees.

This bill would authorize the California State University to award professional doctorate degrees in agricultural education. The bill would require the degree to be distinguished from doctoral degree programs at the University of California. The bill would require that the degree be focused on preparing students for professional careers in the field of agricultural science. The bill would require that each student in the programs authorized by the bill be charged fees no higher than the rate charged for students in state-supported programs in agriculture at the University of California.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-217 (Low) - Postsecondary education: Office of Higher Education Performance and Accountability.

Establishes, until January 1, 2022, the Office of Higher Education Performance and Accountability to provide statewide postsecondary education planning and coordination.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-234 (Steinorth, Salas) - Student financial aid: Assumption Program of Loans for Education.

Authorizes the California Student Aid Commission to award 7,200 new warrants for the assumption of loans for the Assumption Program of Loans for Education.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-240 (Lackey) - University of California: California Institute for Aerospace.

Requests the University of California Regents establish the California Institute for Aerospace.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-276 (Medina, Quirk-Silva) - Postsecondary education: report: cybersecurity education and training programs.

This bill requests the Regents of the University of California, the Trustees of the California State University, the Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges, and independent institutions of higher education, to complete a report by January 1, 2019, on the current state of cybersecurity and training programs at their institutions.

Status: Senate Rules Committee.

AB-310 (Medina) - Part-time faculty office hours.

This bill would require each community college district to report, on or before August 15 of each year, the total part-time faculty office hours paid divided by the total part-time faculty office hours taught during the prior fiscal year and post this information on its Internet Web site.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-370 (Rodriguez) - Student financial aid: Competitive Cal Grant A and B awards.

Requires the California Student Aid Commission, beginning in the 2018-19 award year, to offer Competitive Cal Grants under a specified process incorporating the average "take-rate" from the prior three award years in order to estimate the number of awards to be offered to achieve the current statutory limit of 25,750 annual awards, and increases or reduces the target number of awards in any subsequent year by the number of awards granted over or under 25,750, respectively, in the prior year.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-379 (Gomez) - California Kickstart My Future Loan Forgiveness Program.

Establishes the California Kickstart My Future Loan Forgiveness Program, to be administered by the California Student Aid Commission.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-393 (Quirk-Silva) - Public postsecondary education: tuition: enrollment fees.

This bill prohibits, until after the 2019-20 academic year, any increases in California resident tuition charged to students at the California State University and the California Community Colleges above the amounts charged as of December 31, 2016, and requests that the Regents of the University of California comply with this policy.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-405 (Irwin) - Public postsecondary education: community college districts: baccalaureate degree cybersecurity pilot program.

This bill would authorize the board of governors, in consultation with the California State University and the University of California, to establish a statewide baccalaureate degree cybersecurity pilot program at not more than 10 community college districts, to be determined by the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and approved by the board of governors. The bill would require participating community college districts to submit certain items for review by the chancellor and approval by the board of governors, including the administrative plan for the program and documentation of consultation with the California State University and the University of California. The bill would require the Legislative Analyst's Office to conduct both an interim and a final evaluation of the program and report to the Legislature and Governor, in writing, the results of the interim evaluation on or before July 1, 2019, and the results of the final evaluation on or before July 1, 2024. The bill would require the board of governors, on or before March 31, 2018, to develop and adopt by regulation a funding model for the support of the program.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-453 (Limón) - Postsecondary education: student hunger.

Requires the California State University Trustees, the California Community Colleges Board of Governors, and encourages the University of California Regents, to designate as a "hunger free campus" each of its respective campuses.

Status: Senate Education Committee.

AB-463 (Salas, Steinorth) - Student financial aid: Assumption Program of Loans for Education.

Makes various programmatic changes to the Assumption Program of Loans for Education.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-559 (Santiago) - Community colleges: enrollment fee waiver.

Requires the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, by January 1, 2019, to ensure that students at every community college can complete and submit the board's fee waiver applications electronically.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-809 (Quirk-Silva) - Veterans: public postsecondary education: veterans' priority registration for enrollment.

This bill would require that the priority registration for enrollment for members and former members of the Armed Forces of the United States and for members and former members of the State Military Reserve that is required by existing law be applied notwithstanding any other law.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-847 (Bocanegra) - Academic senates: membership.

Requires the local academic senate of a campus of the California State University or of a California Community College and requests a campus of the University of California to publicly disclose the composition of its membership including race/ethnicity and gender distribution.

Status: Senate Education Committee.

AB-856 (Levine) - Public postsecondary education: hiring policy: socioeconomic diversity.

Requires the Trustees of the California State University and the governing board of each community college district, and requests the Regents of the University of California, when filling faculty or athletic coaching positions, to give consideration to candidates with socioeconomic backgrounds that are underrepresented among existing faculty or coaching staff on the campus where the position is to be filled.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-888 (Low) - Cal Grants: private postsecondary educational institutions.

This bill would require, commencing in 2018, every private postsecondary educational institution that receives Cal Grant funding to annually report, on or before July 1 of each year, to the Legislative Analyst's Office its student disciplinary actions, including, but not limited to, its rate of expulsion, for the previous academic year, aggregated by the institutional policy violated, and disaggregated, for each policy violated, by the type of disciplinary action taken,

whether the disciplined students were Cal Grant recipients, whether the disciplinary action was taken in connection with students who fit one or more of a list of specified categories, and whether the institution has ever applied for, or is in receipt of, an exemption from Title IX. The bill would require, commencing in 2019, the Legislative Analyst's Office to annually report, on or before January 1 of each year, to the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature the data submitted by these institutions for the previous year, aggregated by faith-based private postsecondary educational institutions and nonfaith-based private postsecondary educational institutions, not including the names of these institutions.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-902 (Santiago) - Career technical education and workforce development.

This bill would require the Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development, in conjunction with the California Workforce Development Board, the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, and the State Department of Education to develop a strategic plan, required to contain specified elements, for connecting the delivery of education and workforce development. The bill would authorize the Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development to commence the strategic plan only upon a determination by the Director of Finance that sufficient federal funds or private donations are available to the state to fully support the activities required for development of the strategic plan.

Status: Assembly Labor and Employment Committee.

AB-917 (Arambula) - Student health: student suicide prevention policies.

This bill requires the California Community Colleges Board of Governors and the Trustees of the California State University, and encourages the Regents of the University of California, to adopt policies on student suicide prevention.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

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

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 2018–19 fiscal year, for the creation, construction, and establishment of the University of California, Riverside School of Law.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1020 (Holden) - Student loans: financial education for students regarding loans.

The bill would require, in addition to any information required to be provided under the California Finance Lenders Law, that a lender, before entering into a loan agreement for purposes of financing the costs of a student's postsecondary education, disclose the student's options for financing his or her postsecondary education, the student's repayment options, and any other information relevant to the proposed loan agreement that is reasonably requested by the student.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1037 (Limón) - Postsecondary education: student financial aid: Cal Grant B Service Incentive Grant Program.

Establishes, commencing with the 2018-19 academic year, under the administration of the California Student Aid Commission, the Cal Grant B Service Incentive Grant Program.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee.

AB-1038 (Bonta, Chiu, Gomez) - Postsecondary education: higher education policy.

This bill establishes a nine-member Blue Ribbon Commission on Public Postsecondary Education.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-1053 (Calderon) - Professions and vocations: career technical education: licensee information.

This bill would provide that the requirement to furnish specified information does not require the department to collect additional information that it does not already maintain. The bill, instead of requiring the department to furnish for every licensee a federal employer identification number, individual taxpayer identification number, or social security number, would provide that only the last 4 digits of those numbers be furnished. The bill also would require the chancellor's office to reimburse the department for the department's costs to comply with these provisions.

Status: Assembly Business and Professions Committee.

AB-1058 (Gipson) - Community colleges: fee waivers.

Waives the \$46/unit California Community College student fee—providing the student also meets minimum academic and progress standards adopted by the CCC Board of Governors pursuant to current law—for a student, who at the time of enrollment is:

1) A foster youth or former foster youth whose dependency was established or continued by the court on or after the youth's 16th birthday and who is no older than 25 years of age at the commencement of the academic year, or 2) A California resident who is a ward or former ward of the juvenile court and who is or was placed in out-of-home care in connection with that status after age 16 and who is no older than age 25.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-1062 (Levine) - Postsecondary education: Trustees of the California State University.

This bill increases faculty representation and the voting rights of the student members of the California State University Board of Trustees.

Status: Senate Floor. Inactive File.

AB-1076 (Medina) - Public postsecondary education: campus housing: priority for homeless youth: report.

Requires the Legislative Analyst's Office, in consultation with the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California, to conduct a study on

the implementation of several statutes regarding student housing for homeless and foster youth, and report the study to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2020.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-1118 (Gipson) - Postsecondary education: community colleges: enrollment fee.

This bill would require the waiver of the enrollment fee for resident students, as defined, who are in their first academic year of enrollment at a community college.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1150 (Baker) - Student Aid Commission: data report.

This bill would require the California Student Aid Commission to report on specified data, on or before April 15 of each year.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1166 (Burke) - Student financial aid: Cal Grant Program.

This bill would establish a formula to determine the amount of Cal Grant awards for students attending nonprofit, private colleges based on the average General Fund subsidy the state provides for financially needy students attending the University of California and California State University.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1175 (Ting) - The Every Kid Counts (EKC) Act: state-funded investment accounts.

This bill would enact the Every Kid Counts Act that would, upon appropriation by the Legislature, provide for a one-time deposit by the state to each account opened under the Golden State Scholarshare Trust Act.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1231 (Weber) - Public postsecondary education: California State University: support staff employees: merit salary adjustments.

This bill, notwithstanding any other law, would require, after completion of the first year in a position, and after completion of each subsequent year thereafter, each support staff employee of the California State University to receive a merit salary intermediate step adjustment of an unspecified percentage when he or she meets the standards for satisfactory performance of the position, as determined by the employee's appropriate administrator.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1253 (Cooley) - Education finance: school bonds: citizens' oversight committees.

Revises the responsibilities of a local citizens' oversight committee.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-1267 (Kiley) - Student financial aid: Cal Grant Program: private nonprofit postsecondary educational institutions.

This bill would increase the maximum tuition award amount for Cal Grant A and B awards for new recipients at private nonprofit postsecondary educational institutions to no less than \$10,000 for the 2017–18 award year and each award year thereafter.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1356 (Eggman, Bonta, Weber) - Higher Education Assistance Fund: personal income taxes: additional tax.

This bill would impose an additional 1% tax on taxable personal income exceeding \$1 million and earmarks the resulting revenue for student tuition and fees at the University of California, the California State University, and the California Community Colleges, all contingent on a Constitutional Amendment (ACA 13) being approved by the voters in 2018.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1364 (McCarty) - Public postsecondary education: Higher Education Funding Formula.

This bill would enact the Higher Education Funding Formula, under which, commencing with the 2018–19 fiscal year, additional state funding would be provided to the segments of public postsecondary education through the annual Budget Act.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1382 (Grayson) - Community colleges: STEM course fees.

This bill would require the board of governors to waive the enrollment fee, for enrollment in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) courses only, for a student who graduated from a California high school after attending a California high school for at least 2 academic years. The bill would specify that the fee shall be waived only for the student's enrollment in STEM courses within 4 academic years from the date of his or her high school graduation.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1435 (Gonzalez Fletcher) - The College Athlete Protection Act.

This bill would establish within the Department of Consumer Affairs, the College Athlete Protection Act under the administration of the College Athlete Protection Commission, which would be established by the bill, for the protection of college or university athletes participating in intercollegiate athletic programs offered by institutions of higher education located in California.

Status: Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee.

AB-1464 (Weber) - California State University: tenure-track positions.

This bill would codify a plan into statute to achieve 75 percent density of tenured and tenure-track faculty at the California State University.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-1467 (O'Donnell) - Community colleges: College and Career Access Pathways partnerships.

This bill would authorize courses offered through a College and Career Access Pathways partnership to be offered on Saturdays.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB-1468 (Chiu) - Community colleges: student equity plans.

This bill authorizes the use of funding from the Student Equity Program not to exceed 7.5 percent and up to \$25,000 of apportionment funds per campus or both, for the provision of emergency student financial assistance to help eligible California Community College students overcome unforeseen financial challenges that would directly impact the student's ability to persist in his or her course of study.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-1563 (Medina, Cooper, Salas) - Student financial aid: Cal Grant C awards.

This bill would reform the Cal Grant C Program to create Cal Grant C Entitlement and Competitive Award (C Entitlement / C Competitive) programs, administered by the California Student Aid Commission, to provide need-based financial aid to students enrolled in occupational or technical training programs between four months and two years in length.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-1611 (McCarty) - Private postsecondary education.

This bill would require certain debt-dependent programs to submit information to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE) upon the repeal or suspension of specified federal Regulations; upon the repeal requires the BPPE to collect and make public certain data; and, requires the BPPE to take certain regulatory actions.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

AB-1619 (Berman) - Private postsecondary education.

This bill would require the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education to prohibit institutions that are subject to the provisions of the Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 from enrolling new students in an educational program that receives a fail rating for two out of three consecutive years, or receives a combination of zone or fail ratings for four consecutive years, based on the federal debt-to-earnings rates.

Status: Senate Education Committee.

AB-1622 (Low) - Student support services: Dream Resource Liaisons.

This bill would require the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests the University of California, to create Dream Resource Liaisons and Centers on each campus, as specified.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

ACA-14 (Melendez) - Postsecondary education: Campus Free Speech Act.

This measure would establish the Campus Free Speech Act, which would, among other things, require the appropriate governing board or body of each higher education institution to develop and adopt a policy on free expression that contains specified components.

Status: Assembly Judiciary Committee.

SB-15 (Leyva) - Student financial aid: Cal Grant awards.

This bill would make several changes to Cal Grant awards and statutorily establishes the maximum Cal Grant C award at \$2,462 for tuition and fees.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

SB-307 (Nguyen) - Postsecondary education: task force: study of student housing insecurity and homelessness.

This bill would request the University of California to convene a task force, consisting of three representatives from the UC, the California State University, and the California Community Colleges, selected by the governing boards of each segment, for the purpose of conducting a study to determine the extent, causes, and effects of housing insecurity and homelessness of current and future students.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

SB-317 (Roth) - California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program.

This bill would extend the California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program sunset date from January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2023.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

SB-539 (De León, Portantino) - The Community College Student Achievement Program.

This bill, commencing with the 2017-18 academic year, would establish the California Community College Completion Grant Program for the purpose of establishing guided pathways and a new grant award for community college students, to assist students in the completion of an associate degree, certificate program or transfer to a four-year university in a timely manner.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

SB-573 (Lara) - Student financial aid: student service programs.

This bill would authorize the University of California Regents, the California State University Trustees, and the California Community Colleges Board of Governors, to develop and implement a student service program; and, imposes limitations on the collection, retention, and disclosure of information about applicants and participants in the program.

Status: Assembly Floor.

SB-577 (Dodd) - Public postsecondary education: community college districts: teacher credentialing programs of professional preparation.

This bill would authorize the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, in consultation with the California State University and University of California, to authorize up to five community college districts to offer a teacher credentialing program meeting specified requirements.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

SB-592 (Nielsen) - Public postsecondary education: admissions data.

This bill would require, by July 1, 2018 and each year thereafter, the Trustees of the California State University and the University of California to post on their respective Internet Web site uniform application, admission and freshman class profiles and additionally requires the UC to submit a report with specified information to the Legislature.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

SB-694 (Newman) - California Community Colleges: Veteran Resource Centers.

This bill would require the Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges to ensure that each of its campuses provides a dedicated on-campus Veteran Resource Center that offers services to help student veterans transition successfully from military life to educational success.

Status: Assembly Veterans Affairs Committee.

SB-727 (Galgiani) - Public postsecondary education: instructional materials: innovative pricing.

This bill would authorize a public postsecondary educational institution to adopt policies that allow for the use of innovative pricing techniques and payment options for textbooks and other instructional materials.

Status: Senate Floor. Inactive file.

SB-769 (Hill) - Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program.

This bill would extend the statewide baccalaureate degree pilot program administered by the California Community Colleges Board of Governors by an additional five years.

Status: Assembly Appropriations Committee. Held under submission.

SJR-12 (Wiener) - Fulbright U.S. Student Program.

This resolution would encourage the federal government to maintain or restore full funding to integral international exchange programs, such as the Fulbright U.S. Student Program.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee.

