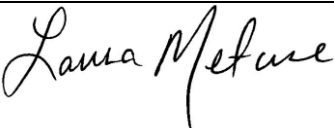





The Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges

PRESENTED TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

DATE: November 13, 2017

SUBJECT: State and Federal Legislative Update		Item Number: 4.5	
		Attachment: Yes (4)	
CATEGORY:	Government Relations	TYPE OF BOARD CONSIDERATION:	
Recommended By:	 Laura Metune, Vice Chancellor	Consent/Routine	
		First Reading	
Approved for Consideration:	 Eloy Ortiz Oakley, Chancellor	Action	
		Information	X

ISSUE: The Board of Governors will be provided with an update on recent state and federal activities.

BACKGROUND: The California State Legislature adjourned for Interim Recess on September 15, 2017, and the Governor had until October 15, 2017, to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature in the final days of session. In the 2017 Legislative year, approximately 30 bills with a direct impact on California Community Colleges were enacted.

In October, Chancellor Oakley, Vice Chancellor Metune and Senior Advisor Menon, traveled to Washington D.C. to conduct a series of advocacy meetings. The purpose of the trip was to make connections with higher education and workforce leadership, and to open up discussions regarding the Higher Education Act reauthorization. The Chancellor’s Office also engaged in joint advocacy efforts with community college leaders, faculty, and students in support of the DACA program.

On the federal budget front, on Friday, September 8, 2017, the President signed H.R. 601, the “Continuing Appropriations Act, 2018 and Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act, 2017,” which provided emergency relief funding for disaster response assistance and a short-term continuing resolution that provides fiscal year 2018 appropriations through Friday, December 8, 2017, for continuing projects and activities of the Federal Government.

The attached documents provide additional information regarding state and federal legislative advocacy efforts. An update on activities and actions will be provided to the Board at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: This item is presented to the Board for information and discussion.