

State Policy and Advocacy Update

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STATE LEGISLATION OVERVIEW

As of this writing, the Chancellor's Office is tracking 244 Assembly Bills (AB) and Senate Bills (SB) that have an impact on higher education or the Chancellor's Office. Of these bills, 106 are classified at Tier 1 and most likely to have a direct impact on the California Community Colleges (CCCs), operations, programs, and support. This update includes a list of all Tier 1 bills we are currently monitoring. The last day for policy committees in the first house to pass fiscal bills is April 26th.

A full Legislative Matrix and a list of all Tier 1 bills can be found by visiting the [State Relations page on the Chancellor's Office website](https://cccco.edu/About-Us/Chancellors-Office/Divisions/Governmental-Relations/policy-and-advocacy/State-Relations/Tracked-Legislation) (cccco.edu/About-Us/Chancellors-Office/Divisions/Governmental-Relations/policy-and-advocacy/State-Relations/Tracked-Legislation). For additional details on bills, visit the [Legislative Counsel's website](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/) (leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/).

SPONSORED LEGISLATION

AB 1885 (Addis) Student Success Completion Grant program.

Would allow students receiving support under the Disabled Services and Programs for Students (DSPS) who are classified as full-time to also receive a Student Success and Completion Grant.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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

Would, until January 1, 2030, authorize the usage of multi-criteria screening for admission decisions in allied health programs. Current law allows community colleges to utilize multi-criteria screening in nursing program admissions.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

SUPPORTED LEGISLATION

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

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

Status: Signed by the Governor on March 25th.

SB 1042 (Roth) General acute care hospitals: clinical placements: nursing.

Would require a health facility that offers prelicensure clinical placement slots upon the request of an approved school of nursing or an approved nursing program to meet with

representatives of the school or program to discuss the clinical placement needs of the school or program.

Status: Referred to the Senate Health Committee.

HIGH-PRIORITY LEGISLATION UNDER REVIEW

AB 359 (Holden) College and Career Access Pathways partnerships.

Would make numerous changes to College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) partnerships for the purpose of offering or expanding dual enrollment opportunities for all students.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

AB 456 (Maienschein) Campus mental health hotlines.

Would require the Chancellor's Office, by January 1, 2026, to develop a plan to make a campus mental health hotline that is operated by an organization with expertise in student mental health available to students on their respective campuses.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

AB 810 (Friedman) Postsecondary education: hiring practices: academic, athletic, and administrative appointments.

Would require all institutions of higher education, as a condition of receiving state financial assistance, to implement a policy of requiring potential employees for academic, athletic, and administrative positions to disclose whether they have been the subject of a finding of sexual harassment.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

AB 1142 (M. Fong) Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education in California.

Would establish the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education in California as the statewide postsecondary education oversight, coordination, and planning entity.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

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

Would prohibit colleges from refusing to provide a diploma or certificate for a current or former student on the grounds that the student owes a debt. This bill would also prohibit colleges from engaging a third-party debt collection agency to collect student debt.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

AB 1575 (Irwin) Public postsecondary education: students codes of conduct: advisers.

Would authorize students who receive a disciplinary notification to have an adviser of their choosing and requires postsecondary education institutions to provide trainings for the aforementioned adviser.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

AB 1793 (Ta) Middle Class Scholarship Program: eligibility: dependents of members of the armed services stationed outside of California.

Would extend Cal Grant and Middle Class Scholarship Program eligibility to a student who was not a resident of California at the time of high school graduation but meets all other eligibility requirements and is the dependent or spouse of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States (U.S.) stationed outside of California on active duty.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

AB 1796 (Alanis) Pupil instruction: course offerings: parental notification.

Would require a school district, county office of education, or charter school serving pupils in any of grades 7 to 12 to annually inform parents of specified course offerings that may be available at their child's school, including dual enrollment.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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

Would require each campus of the California State University (CSU) and CCCs, and would request the University of California (UC), to allow overnight parking by a student attending its campus if the student uses the vehicle as housing and meets other specified conditions.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would establish the Law Enforcement Officer Grant Program under the administration of the California Student Aid Commission to provide grants to individuals enrolled in a CCC modern policing degree program.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Public Safety Committee.

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

Would require the governing board of each community college district and the CSU Trustees to require each university or college-affiliated student-housing facility to stock federally approved opioid overdose reversal medication obtained through the Naloxone Distribution Project.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

AB 1855 (Arambula) Open meetings: teleconferences: community college student body associations.

Would authorize a CCC student body association to use alternate teleconferencing procedures related to the notice, agenda, and participation of public meetings if, among

other requirements, the community college district has adopted a resolution authorizing this practice.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 1860 (Bauer-Kahan) Personal Income Tax Law: exclusions: student loan debt.

Would, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, and before January 1, 2029, exclude income that would otherwise be realized from the discharge of student loan debt.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

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

Would make an employee of a public postsecondary educational institution ineligible for retreat rights if the employee is the respondent in a sexual harassment complaint and the employee is determined to have committed sexual harassment, or the employee resigned from their current position before a final administrative decision is made.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would require the 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 colleges where there is sufficient student interest and a properly qualified faculty to sustain a certification program.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File.

AB 1922 (Davies) Green Collar Certification Program.

Would require the Director of the California Conservation Corps, in partnership with community colleges, to establish a Green Collar Certification Program that provides participating individuals with skills and education relating to reducing carbon emissions.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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

Would reach each Strong Workforce Program consortium to collect data on career technical education outcomes, disaggregated by race.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would require all students attending the CSU or CCCs, regardless of immigration status, to be eligible to apply for and accept paid opportunities at the CSU or CCCs, including, but not limited to, employment, fellowships, residencies, apprenticeships, and contract work.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2015 (Schiavo) Nursing schools and programs: faculty members, directors, and assistant directors.

Would require all faculty members, assistant directors, and directors of an approved school of nursing or nursing program to hold an active license in good standing as a registered nurse issued by the Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) and to be approved by the BRN as possessing minimum qualifications, including being clinically competent.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Business and Professions Committee.

AB 2019 (V. Fong) Early and middle college high schools and programs: CCAP partnerships.

Would expand the definition of early and middle college high schools to include early and middle college programs established within a high school and exempt a pupil enrolled in an early college program or a middle college program from the 240-minute minimum schoolday requirement if the pupil is also enrolled in a UC, CSU, or CCC course.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

AB 2027 (Gipson) College Access Tax Credit Fund: community college student transfers: Historically Black Graduate Professional Schools.

Would require the College Access Tax Credit Fund moneys continuously appropriated to CSAC to also be used for awards for qualifying community college student transfers to certain Historically Black Graduate Professional Schools that are physically located in California and offer undergraduate studies.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2033 (Reyes) Community colleges: electronic benefits transfer cards.

Would require, by September 1, 2025, each campus of the CCCs to apply for at least one general store or a store that sells food on campus to become an authorized retail food store under the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and, if approved, ensure the store or stores accept the use of electronic benefits transfer cards.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

AB 2044 (Chen) Community colleges: statewide baccalaureate degree program.

Would require the Chancellor's Office to evaluate whether baccalaureate degree holders are paid more than associate degree holders in the same field prior to authorizing a community college district to eliminate an associate degree program in the same academic subject for which a baccalaureate degree program has been approved.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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

Would require the CCCs, CSU, and UC to each establish, by July 1, 2026, a systemwide Office of Civil Rights to be led by a systemwide Title IX coordinator.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would require each campus of the CSU and UC and community college districts to establish, by July 1, 2026, a Title IX office in a private space for students and employees to disclose complaints of sex discrimination.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2057 (Berman) Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) Intersegmental Implementation Committee.

Would establish a process for the CSU, UC, and other four-year institutions participating in the ADT to approve certain high-unit transfer model curricula (TMCs) in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. This bill would also extend the operation of the Associate Degree for Transfer Intersegmental Implementation Committee indefinitely.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2076 (McCarty) California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund Act of 2022: state fund loan.

Would require the State Controller to transfer \$200 million to the California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund, for purposes of funding, commencing with the 2024–25 fiscal year, the program supported by the California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would require vacancies for part- and full-time classified service positions of an education employer to be offered with priority to current regular non-probationary classified employees who meet certain requirements.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would extend California Promise Program eligibility to first-time or returning students who are enrolled full-time in a community college baccalaureate degree program.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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

Would allow alcoholic beverages to be acquired, possessed, or used during events at a public community college stadium with a capacity of 19,000 or more people located in the City of Bakersfield.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would allow a chief administrative officer, an officer or employee, or a student at a public institution of higher education to seek a temporary restraining order if there is a credible threat of violence made off the school campus or facility.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2104 (Soria) Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program.

Would require the Chancellor's Office to develop a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that authorizes 15 community college districts to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2134 (Muratsuchi) School employees: transfer of leave of absence for illness or injury.

Would require the employing school district, county superintendent of schools, or community college district receiving an employee's transfer of leave of absence for illness or injury to honor the transfer request at any time during the employee's employment with the second employing district or county superintendent of schools.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Committee on Public Employment and Retirement.

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

Would require the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to convene a workgroup that includes all county staff liaisons and representatives from segments of postsecondary education to identify barriers to enrollment and actions to resolve them.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would, commencing with students graduating in the 2033–34 academic year, require the CSU and UC to require the completion of service learning as an undergraduate graduation requirement for at least three campuses each.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

AB 2179 (Davies) Pupil services: local apprenticeship programs.

Would require a school district to, at the beginning of the first semester or quarter of each school year, provide information on local apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs to pupils in grades 11 and 12.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

AB 2181 (Gipson) Juvenile court school pupils: graduation requirements and continued education options.

Would require a county office of education to notify a pupil who is attending a juvenile court school of any transfer opportunities available through the CCCs.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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

Would set, commencing with the 2025–26 award year, the prorated Cal Grant award and the per-student Cal Grant 2 access award amounts to be no less than double the maximum award amounts provided for the 2023–24 award year.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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

Would establish civil liability for an educational institution if the institution has direct involvement in, knew, or should have known of, the hazing practices of a student organization affiliated with the educational institution.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would increase the number of instructional hours that a part-time community college faculty member may teach at one district from 67% to 85% of a full-time assignment.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2305 (M. Fong) Community colleges: statewide baccalaureate degree program.

Would require that a community college district is provided with one timeline, instead of two timelines, in which to apply for a baccalaureate degree program, and provide that the CSU and UC have 105 days, instead of 30 working days, to submit written objections regarding program duplication with supporting evidence.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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

Would clarify that the governing board of a community college district and the chief executive officer of each community college within the community college district have

joint responsibility for ensuring that programs and activities are free from discrimination and require the Chancellor's Office to submit an annual legislative report on compliance.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2328 (M. Fong) Classified employees: school and community college districts: merit system: disciplinary action.

Would, for community college districts that have adopted a merit system, prohibit disciplinary action from being taken against a member of permanent classified service for any cause that arose before the employee became a member of the permanent classified service.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would establish the Cal-Bridge Program as an intersegmental partnership program between the CCCs, CSU, and UC to promote a pathway for California's diverse undergraduate student population who major in STEM disciplines to pursue STEM doctorate degrees.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

AB 2370 (Cervantes) Community colleges: faculty: artificial intelligence.

Would prohibit artificial intelligence from being used to replace community college faculty for purposes of providing academic instruction to, and regular interaction with, students in a course of instruction.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Privacy and Consumer Protection Committee.

AB 2403 (Bonta) Community colleges: student equity plan.

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

Status: Referred to the Assembly Local Government Committee.

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

Would require the California State Auditor, by January 1, 2026, and every three years thereafter, to conduct an audit of the CCCs, CSU, and UC regarding their respective handling and investigation of sexual harassment complaints.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would require, by January 1, 2025, each CCC to implement a policy to estimate cost of attendance information for student parents, identify student parents in the campus's data management information system, and update its net price calculator to include a baseline student parent cost estimate.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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

Would require, by July 1, 2026, a public postsecondary educational institution to establish and designate at least one person to fulfill the positions of confidential student advocate, confidential staff and faculty advocate, and confidential respondent services coordinator to assist students, faculty, or staff who have filed a complaint of sex discrimination, experienced sex discrimination, or are accused of sex discrimination.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2500 (M. Fong) Student financial aid: application deadlines: postponement.

Would authorize CSAC to automatically grant deadline extensions for financial aid programs due to certain qualifying events, including but not limited to a natural disaster, state of emergency, or labor action.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would, until January 1, 2029, establish the Students at Risk of Homelessness Emergency Pilot Program under the administration of CSAC to award interest-free loans for housing and college attendance costs to eligible undergraduate students attending Glendale Community College, UC Los Angeles, and CSU Northridge.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would add residing within a medically underserved area to the list of life experiences or special circumstances that must be included in a multicriteria screening process and extend the authorization for multicriteria screening to January 1, 2030.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2567 (Mathis) Student housing: data collection: veterans.

Would require the CCCs to include additional information regarding students who are veterans in annual reports regarding campus-owned, campus-operated, or campus-affiliated student housing.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would broaden the specified purposes for which school bonds may be issued to include the acquisition of real property for school facilities, the construction or acquisition of school facilities, the reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, the

repairing, restoring, or rebuilding of school facilities damaged, injured, or destroyed by fire or other public calamity, and the supplying of school facilities.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Education Committee.

AB 2586 (Alvarez) Public postsecondary education: student employment.

Would prohibit a campus of the UC, CSU, and CCCs from disqualifying a student from being eligible to apply for an employment position at the campus due to their failure to provide proof of federal work authorization, except under specified circumstances.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2588 (Chen) College readiness programs: study.

Would require the California Department of Education to annually conduct a study regarding participation, performance, and outcomes of college readiness programs such as dual and concurrent enrollment, early and middle college high schools, and career and technical education.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2608 (Gabriel) Postsecondary education: sexual violence and sexual harassment: training.

Would require the CCCs, by an unspecified date, to include additional topics, including how to recognize if someone is at risk of drug-facilitated sexual assault, in its annual sexual violence and sexual harassment training for students.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2707 (M. Fong) Student housing: study.

Would require, by January 1, 2027, the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) to conduct a study evaluating the age demographics of housing-insecure community college students to identify the issues and unique barriers that community college students 25 years of age and older face in securing housing.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would require the governing board of each community college district to establish a Disability Access and Compliance Training Program which includes the legal and procedural responsibility of college personnel to provide effective accommodations for disabled students.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would revise the policy preferences of the Legislature with respect to part-time community college faculty to express the preference that the names of part-time faculty be listed in the bulletin of classes offered once they are assigned to a course, rather than just the schedule of classes.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2852 (Garcia) California-Mexico Higher Education Development and Academic Exchange Program.

Would establish, until January 1, 2031, the California-Mexico Higher Education Development and Academic Exchange Program for 400 students who attend a campus of the UC, CSU, and CCCs to attend universities in Mexico.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2885 (Bauer-Kahan) Artificial intelligence.

Would, for purposes of the California Online Community College Research and Development Unit, provide a definition of “artificial intelligence” based on existing law.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Privacy and Consumer Protection Committee.

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

Would require school and community college districts to provide classified and academic employees at least 14 weeks of leave with full pay for pregnancy-related leaves of absence.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would require public and private postsecondary institutions, as a condition of state financial assistance, to include training to combat and address anti-Semitism as part of any antidiscrimination training or diversity, equity, and inclusion training that is offered by the institution.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2931 (M. Fong) Classified employees: merit system: part-time student-tutors.

Would exempt from classified service part-time students employed part-time as student tutors by their community college district of enrollment.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2936 (Jackson) Higher Education Reconciliation Master Plan.

Would require the CCCs develop a reconciliation master plan for use on each of their respective campuses to address cultural and political conflicts that arise on campus and ensure that students have a forum to be seen, have their voices heard, and feel safe.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would require the existing Classified Employee Staffing Ratio Workgroup that is administered by California Department of Education to also include community colleges in their classified staffing recommendations.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 2987 (Ortega) Public postsecondary education: sex discrimination complaints: status updates and notices.

Would require each CSU and CCC campus, and would request each UC campus, to provide status updates on the outcomes of complaints of sex discrimination to the complainants and respondents, except for those who opt to not receive the updates.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 3015 (Ramos) Exemption from nonresident tuition and fees: federally recognized Indian tribes.

Would allow students who are members of a federally recognized Indian tribe with tribal land in both California and a neighboring state eligible for resident classification for tuition and fees, even if they live in the neighboring state.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 3087 (M. Fong) California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program.

Would extend the operation of the Economic and Workforce Development Program by five years, to January 1, 2030.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 3110 (M. Fong) Community colleges: preapprenticeship programs.

Would provide that courses associated with preapprenticeship programs are eligible for state apportionment funding.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would, starting in academic year 2029-30, limit any increases in tuition at CSU, UC and CCCs to the percentage increase in the U.S. Consumer Price Index from the previous year.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

AB 3131 (McCarty) Strong Workforce Program: priority for applicants in historically redlined communities.

Would require the Department of Education, when determining grant recipients for the K-12 component of the Strong Workforce Program and in consultation with K-12 Selection

Committees, to first give positive consideration to applicants located in historically redlined communities.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Education Committee.

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

Would establish the California Mobile Climate Change Education Center, as part of the Los Angeles Community College District, to create opportunities for students to engage in hands-on internships and other learning opportunities.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would authorize the West Valley-Mission Community College District to adopt a policy that uses local unrestricted general funds to provide fee waivers to students with the greatest financial need.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would, commencing July 1, 2025, prohibit each institution of higher education from reducing a students' Cal Grant award below their financial need except under certain circumstances.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would extend resident classification to any student who is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed in the state, regardless of whether the student is assigned for educational purposes to a state-supported institution of higher education.

Status: Pending referral in the Assembly.

ACA 7 (Jackson) Government preferences: interventions or programs: exceptions.

This constitutional amendment would provide that, subject to approval by the Governor, the state may utilize state moneys to fund research-based, or research-informed, and culturally specific interventions or programs if those interventions or programs are established or otherwise implemented by the state for purposes of increasing the life expectancy of, improving educational outcomes for, or lifting out of poverty specific ethnic groups or marginalized genders.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

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

This resolution would designate November 8, 2024, as "California's First-Generation College Celebration Day" and urge all higher education institutions to recognize the significant role of first-generation college students in developing the state's future workforce.

Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

SB 312 (Wiener) California Environmental Quality Act: university housing development projects: exemption.

Would clarify that, for a higher education institution to utilize an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for student housing projects, the institution must receive Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Platinum certification for each building according to a specified timeframe.

Status: Pending referral in the Assembly.

SB 895 (Roth) Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program.

Would require the Chancellor's Office to develop a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that authorizes 15 community college districts to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

Status: Referred to the Senate Education Committee.

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

Would require a postsecondary educational institution that provides material support or services to a student athlete in relation to the athlete receiving compensation or items of value or services for the use of the athlete's name, image, likeness, or athletic reputation to make the information publicly available.

Status: Referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

SB 971 (Portantino) Exemption from nonresident tuition fee: resident of a region impacted by war or regional conflict.

Would authorize community college districts to exempt, from the payment of nonresident tuition, a nonresident, low-income student who: 1) is a resident of a region impacted by war or other regional conflict; 2) registers for lower division courses at a community college; and 3) has indicated that they have sought California residency in an effort to find relief from identified conflicts in their nation of origin.

Status: Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 984 (Wahab) Public agencies: project labor agreements.

Would authorize a state agency, defined to include the UC, CSU, and CCCs, to undertake a major state construction project only if that project is governed by a project labor agreement that includes community benefit goals, as specified.

Status: Referred to the Senate Governmental Organization Committee.

SB 995 (Padilla) High-Quality Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act.

Would require the CSU, in consultation with the CCCs, to develop a five-year pilot program commencing with the 2025–26 school year to recruit high-quality teaching candidates at three CSU campuses in partnership with three CCC campuses.

Status: Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 1015 (Cortese) Nursing schools and programs.

Would require the Nursing Education and Workforce Advisory Committee to study specified topics and to submit a report making recommendations to the Legislature regarding how approved schools of nursing or nursing programs should manage or coordinate clinical placements.

Status: Referred to the Senate Business, Professions, and Economic Development Committee.

SB 1039 (Wilk) Community colleges: classroom instructor salaries.

Would define salaries of classroom instructors to also include counselors and librarians and would require, commencing with the 2025–26 fiscal year, each community college district to expend during each fiscal year 60% of the district's current expense of education for payment of salaries of classroom instructors.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

SB 1070 (Padilla) State civil service: temporary assignments or loans.

Would require institutions of higher education to be considered jurisdictions for the purposes of temporarily assigning or loaning employees to a government agency or temporarily receiving employees of a government agency.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

SB 1091 (Menjivar) School facilities: greening projects.

Would limit the cost of complying with the requirement to provide an accessible path of travel to a greening project that is on a school district, county office of education, charter school, or community college campus to 20% of the adjusted construction cost.

Status: Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 1122 (Seyarto) Peace officers: educational requirements.

Would specify that a bachelor's or an associate's degree required for employment as a peace officer may be after completion of the Peace Officer Standards and Training program and within 36 months of employment as a peace officer.

Status: Referred to the Senate Floor.

SB 1137 (Smallwood-Cuevas) Discrimination claims: intersectionality of characteristics.

Would revise the state's educational equity policy to include remedies that will eliminate discriminatory acts, including discrimination not just because of one protected trait, but also because of the intersection of two or more protected bases.

Status: Referred to the Senate Floor.

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

Would require the CCCs, by December 1, 2026, and annually thereafter, to submit a legislative report that provides a summation of the activities undertaken by each district and by the systemwide Title IX office to ensure campus programs and activities are free from sex discrimination.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

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

Would add living within a medically underserved area or population to the list of life experiences or special circumstances that must be included in a multicriteria screening process and extend the authorization for multicriteria screening to January 1, 2030.

Status: Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 1222 (Alvarado-Gil) Community colleges: study: Counties of Amador, Alpine, Mariposa, Modoc, and Sierra.

Would require the LAO to prepare a report by December 31, 2025, evaluating the provision of postsecondary education services and opportunities to residents of the underserved Counties of Amador, Alpine, Mariposa, Modoc, and Sierra that are not fully included within the territory of a community college district.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

SB 1235 (Gonzalez) Artificial Intelligence and Deepfake Working Group.

Would require an unspecified public institution of higher education to establish the Artificial Intelligence and Deepfake Working Group to evaluate and advise the Legislature on the relevant issues of artificial intelligence and deepfakes.

Status: Referred to the Senate Education Committee.

SB 1244 (Newman) College and Career Access Pathways partnerships.

Would authorize a community college district to enter into a CCAP partnership within the service area of another community college district if the community college district in the service area has declined a request, or has failed to take action within 60 calendar days of receiving a request.

Status: Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 1287 (Glazer) Equity in Higher Education Act: prohibition on harassment, intimidation, and discrimination.

Would require the Board of Governors to adopt and enforce policies within campus-based student codes of conduct that prohibit violence, harassment, intimidation, and discrimination that interfere with the free exchange of ideas or support genocide, and maintain and enforce reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions for public protests and demonstrations.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

SB 1348 (Bradford) California Seal of Excellence in Serving Black and African American Postsecondary Students.

Would establish the California Seal of Excellence in Serving Black and African American Postsecondary Students to recognize campuses of these segments that excel at providing academic resources to Black and African American students.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

SB 1375 (Durazo) Workforce development: poverty-reducing standards: funds, programs, reporting, and analyses.

Would create the Equity, Climate Resilience, and Quality Jobs Fund and authorize the California Workforce Development Board to use funds to develop high road training partnerships and high road construction careers, and other workforce programs that drive poverty-reducing standards and reach communities with the highest barriers to employment and economic equity, among other specified purposes.

Status: Referred to the Senate Labor, Public Employment, and Retirement Committee.

SB 1378 (Min) Identification cards: federal Title IX assistance telephone number.

Would, commencing July 1, 2025, require a public or private institution of higher education that issues student identification cards to additionally have printed on the identification cards the telephone number for the U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights for assistance related to Title IX.

Status: Referred to the Senate Education Committee.

SB 1388 (Archuleta) Education finance: community colleges: general fund balance.

Would prohibit, commencing with the 2025–26 fiscal year, a community college district's annual unrestricted general fund balance for a fiscal year from exceeding 16.7% of its unrestricted general fund expenditures for that year unless specified conditions are met, and would require excess funds to be proportionally distributed to nonsupervisory and nonmanagement employees.

Status: Pending referral in the Senate.

SB 1411 (Ochoa Bogh) Instructional Quality Commission.

Would add two members from each higher education segment to the Instructional Quality Commission that are appointed by Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates.

Status: Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

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

Would require the governing board of each community college district to designate an employee at each campus as a point of contact for the needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, asexual, pansexual, transgender, gender-nonconforming, intersex, and two-spirit faculty, staff, and students.

Status: Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

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