

# State Policy and Advocacy Update

*(Provided by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office. Information current as of June 6, 2024).*

## STATE LEGISLATION OVERVIEW

As of this writing, the Chancellor's Office is tracking 201 Assembly Bills (AB) and Senate Bills (SB) that have an impact on higher education or the Chancellor's Office. Of these bills, 86 are classified at Tier 1 and most likely to have a direct impact on the California Community Colleges, operations, programs, and support. This update includes a list of all Tier 1 bills we are currently monitoring. The Legislature will adjourn for Summer Recess on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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://cocco.edu/About-Us/Chancellors-Office/Divisions/Governmental-Relations/policy-and-advocacy/State-Relations/Tracked-Legislation) (cocco.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 Senate Education 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 Senate Appropriations Committee.

## SUPPORTED LEGISLATION

### **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 Senate Appropriations Committee.

### **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 25<sup>th</sup>.

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

Would require, by September 1, 2025, each community college 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 Senate Appropriations Committee.

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

Would require a school district to annually provide information on local apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs to the parents or guardians of pupils in grades 11 and 12.

*Status:* Referred to the Senate 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 Senate 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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

**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 Senate Education Committee.

**Assembly Concurrent Resolution (ACR) 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 Senate Appropriations Committee.

### **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 up to 15 community college districts to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

*Status:* Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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

Would require the California State University (CSU), in consultation with the community colleges, 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 community college campuses.

*Status:* Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

### **SB 1042 (Roth) Health facilities and clinics: clinical placements: nursing.**

Would require a health facility or a clinic, 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 Assembly Health 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 Assembly Floor.

### **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 Assembly Higher Education Committee.

### **SB 1348 (Bradford) California Black-Serving Institutions Program.**

Would establish the Black-Serving Institutions Program to designate campuses that excel at providing academic resources to Black and African American students.

*Status:* Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

### **SB 1375 (Durazo) Workforce development: records: 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 Assembly Labor and Employment Committee.

### **Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) 140 (Dodd) Community College Month.**

Would recognize the month of April 2024, and the month of April every year hereafter, as Community College Month in the State of California.

*Status:* Pending referral in the Assembly.

## **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:* Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

### **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:* Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

### **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:* Referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

### **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:* Referred to the Senate Education Committee.

### **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:* Referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

**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:* Referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

**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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

**AB 1818 (Jackson) Public postsecondary education: overnight student parking: pilot program.**

Would require the Chancellor's Office to establish a pilot program to allow overnight parking on 20 community college campuses by eligible students and require the Chancellor's Office, in consultation with specified stakeholders, to determine a plan of action for implementing the pilot program that includes, among other things, the issuance of an overnight parking permit.

*Status:* Pending referral in the Senate.

**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 Senate Health Committee.

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

Would authorize a community college 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 Senate Education Committee.

**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 Senate Education Committee.

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

Would update the annual reporting requirements for the Strong Workforce Program to require disaggregation of performance accountability measures by race and ethnicity.

*Status:* Referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

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

Would authorize the Bureau of Registered Nursing (BRN) to establish a process for approving faculty and nursing directors independent of a program's hiring process.

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

**AB 2019 (Hoover) Early and middle college high schools and programs.**

Would require each school district, county office of education, or charter school that operates a middle college high school or program or an early college high school or program to submit a report to the California Department of Education beginning August 1, 2026, and each August 1 thereafter that contains specified information regarding program participation.

*Status:* Pending referral in the Senate.

**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 Senate Appropriations Committee.

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

Would require the Chancellor's Office to convene a community college sexual harassment and Title IX working group to, among other things, review the policies and procedures of no less than 15 community college districts and determine if existing community college district policies and procedures regarding faculty-student and staff-student relationships and sexual harassment are adequate to prevent, detect, and address sexual harassment.



*Status:* Pending referral in the Senate.

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

Would establish a process for the CSU, University of California (UC), and other four-year institutions participating in the Associate Degree for Transfer (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 ADT Intersegmental Implementation Committee by an additional two years.

*Status:* Referred to the Senate 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 Senate Appropriations 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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

### **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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

### **AB 2094 (Flora) 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 Senate Governmental Organization Committee.

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

Would, beginning January 1, 2026, 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 Senate Judiciary 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 up to 10 community college districts to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

*Status:* Pending referral in the Senate.

### **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 Senate Education 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 Senate Judiciary 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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

### **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 Senate Education 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 make a presentation during a public meeting of the Board of Governors regarding compliance.

*Status:* Referred to the Senate Education Committee.

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

Would establish the Cal-Bridge Program as an intersegmental partnership program between the community colleges, 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 Senate Education Committee.

**AB 2370 (Cervantes) Community colleges: faculty: instructor of record: qualifications.**

Would require the instructor of record for a course of instruction to be a person who meets the minimum qualifications to serve as a faculty member teaching credit instruction or a faculty member teaching noncredit instruction.

*Status:* Referred to the Senate Floor.

**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 Senate Appropriations Committee.

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

Would require the California State Auditor, by September 1, 2026, and every three years thereafter until January 1, 2036, to conduct an audit of the community colleges, CSU, and UC regarding their ability to address and prevent sexual harassment on campus.

*Status:* Referred to the Senate Education Committee.

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

Would require, by January 1, 2025, each community college 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 Senate Education 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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

### **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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

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

Would add residing within the community college district to the list of life experiences or special circumstances for consideration in a multicriteria screening process, authorize districts to implement policies that have the effect of excluding nonresidents, and extend operation of multicriteria screening for community college nursing programs until January 1, 2030.

*Status:* Pending referral in the Senate.

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

Would require the community colleges 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 Senate Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

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

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

*Status:* Pending referral in the Senate.

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

Would require the community colleges, 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 Senate Education Committee.

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

Would require, by January 1, 2026, 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 Senate Appropriations Committee.

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

Would require the Board of Governors 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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

**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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

**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 Senate Judiciary Committee.

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

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

*Status:* Referred to the Senate 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 Senate 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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

### **AB 2936 (Jackson) Higher Education Reconciliation Act.**

Would require the Chancellor's Office to convene stakeholder workgroups that include representatives from specified stakeholders, including faculty, staff, and students, for the purpose of developing recommendations to promote reconciliation in response to cultural and political conflicts that arise on campuses.

*Status:* Pending referral in the Senate.

### **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 Senate Labor, Public Employment and Retirement Committee.

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

Would require each CSU and community college 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 Senate 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 to be eligible for resident classification for tuition and fees, even if they live in the neighboring state.

*Status:* Pending referral in the Senate.

### **AB 3131 (McCarty) Strong Workforce Program: applicants receiving equity multiplier funding.**

Would require each K-12 Selection Committee, when determining grant recipients for the K-12 component of the Strong Workforce Program, to first give positive consideration to applicants receiving Local Control Funding Formula Equity Multiplier funding.

*Status:* Pending referral in the Senate.

### **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 Senate 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:* Pending referral in the Senate.

**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:* Referred to the Senate Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

**Assembly Constitutional Amendment (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.

**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:* Referred to the Assembly Natural Resources Committee.

**SB 638 (Eggman) Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024.**

Would enact the Climate Resiliency and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2024 which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$6 billion for flood protection and climate resiliency projects.

*Status:* Referred to the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife 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 Assembly Higher Education 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 Glendale Community College or two other community colleges selected by the Chancellor's Office; 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 Assembly Higher Education 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 Assembly Business and Professions Committee.

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

Would require private 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:* Referred to the Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee.

**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 Assembly Education Committee.

**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 Assembly Judiciary Committee.



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

Would require the community colleges, 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:* Referred to the Assembly Higher 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 Assembly Higher Education 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:* Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.

### **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 Assembly Education 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 Assembly Higher Education Committee.

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