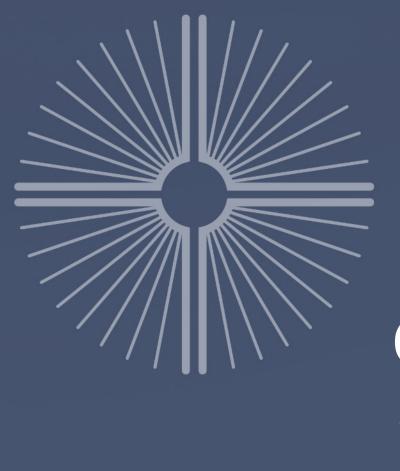


Federal Update: Infrastructure Legislation
 & Community Project Funding

- Budget Update
- Legislative Update



Infrastructure Legislation & Community Project Funding

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INFRASTRUCTURE LEGISLATION

U.S. House of Representatives – the "INVEST Act"

The U.S. House of Representatives has passed \$547 billion legislation known as the Investing in a New Vision for the Environment and Surface Transportation (INVEST) in America Act (H.R. 2)

- The INVEST Act is a broad surface transportation infrastructure bill
- H.R. 2 reauthorizes federal highway and transit improvement programs over a five-year period
- The House passed H.R. 2 on July 2 and sent the bill to the Senate

INFRASTRUCTURE LEGISLATION

United States Senate – Seeking a Bipartisan Approach

- *Under consideration this week* \$1.2 trillion infrastructure bill negotiated by the White House and bipartisan group of over 20 Senators
- While details are not clear, the bill includes \$579 billion in new spending
- Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) is setting up a cloture vote, which requires a 60-vote majority to move toward consideration
- The cloture vote may take place tomorrow, Wednesday, July 21

INFRASTRUCTURE LEGISLATION

If the \$1 trillion infrastructure bill passes the Senate -

- The Senate will consider a \$3.5 trillion bill with elements of the American Jobs Plan and American Families Plan, including *free community college*
- Senate Democrats plan to use "budget reconciliation," requiring a simple majority vote (50D-50R with tie-breaker by Vice President Kamala Harris)
- Budget reconciliation was the process used successfully in March 2021 to pass the American Rescue Plan COVID-19 response legislation
- The Senate Majority's goal is to get this done before the August recess

COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING

A new "earmarking" opportunity through annual appropriations as well as authorization bills

Vehicles for earmarking include the INVEST Act surface transportation bill and FY 2022 appropriations bills under consideration

- The INVEST Act includes 1,473 earmarks for transportation projects
- The House Appropriations Committee is moving on FY 2022 appropriations bills, including earmarks for community colleges
- The Senate Appropriations Committee is continuing to collect and evaluate Senators' requests for earmarked funding

COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING

U.S. House of Representatives – the "INVEST Act"

The INVEST Act restored the practice of "earmarking." Some examples -

- \$15 million for Malaga Bridge Project, Fontana, CA
- \$20 million for Monroe Street Interchange Project, CA
- \$15 million for I Street Bridge Replacement, Sacramento, CA
- \$20 million for Valley Link Sustainability Blueprint, Livermore, CA
- \$20 million for I-15/SR-78 Managed Lanes Project, Escondido, CA
- \$20 million for SR-41 Excelsior Corridor Project, Fresno County, CA
- \$20 million for Central Mobility Hub Pre-Construction, San Diego, CA

COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING

Examples of earmarks for community colleges approved by the House Appropriations Committee on July 15 –

- \$975,000 for San Diego CCD, CA for IT system upgrades
- \$400,000 for Los Angeles CCD, CA for workforce training
- \$2 million for Houston Community College, TX resiliency initiative
- \$2 million for Iowa community college career transition counselors
- \$2 million for Bristol Community College, MA offshore wind training
- \$1.5 million for Riverside CCD, CA Inland Empire Technical Trade Center



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Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA)

January

 \$111.1 million ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund 1.5% COLA

May

- An increase of \$185.4 million ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund
- To reflect a compounded cost-of-living adjustment of 4.05 percent

Legislative Action

5.07% super
 COLA to match K 12, or \$371.91
 million

Final Action

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Ongoing: Additions

Strong Workforce Program: Add funding, Change structure to 75% local, 25% regional Add • Governor: \$12.40 million Legislature: \$42.4 million Provide Provide 4.05% COLA to Adult Education Hold Extended by one more year from 2023-24 to 2024-25 Harmless

Ongoing: Stays the Same

Student Equity and Achievement Program	\$23.76 million
Enrollment Growth	\$23.61 million
CENIC Broadband	\$8 million
Tim Dreamer Resources Center	\$5.8 million
Library Services Platform	\$4 million

Ongoing: Stays the Same

COLA for select categorical programs	\$17.55 million
California Apprenticeship Initiative	\$15 million
Online tools	\$10.61 million
Adult Education Program technical assistance	\$1 million

Ongoing: with policy changes

Basic needs centers and coordinators \$30 million

 Adopts placeholder trailer bill language describing duties of basic needs coordinators and centers

Student mental health and technology \$30 million

Modify to focus funding solely on mental health

Legislative Action: Ongoing Increases

Umoja

\$4.9* million

Puente

\$7.33 million

MESA

\$8.19 million

EOPS

\$20 million HBCU Transfer

\$1.3 million

Ongoing: Legislative Reductions & Elimination

Vocational ESL

• Governor: \$50 million

• Legislature: \$0

• Final Action: \$0

Guided Pathways

• Governor: \$10 million

• Legislature: \$0

• Final Action: \$0

Calbright College



Governor proposed no significant changes for Calbright College

Legislature proposed its elimination

Compromise: "Continues funding for Calbright College but adds budget bill language stating that any legislation that eliminates the college will be binding."

Legislative Action: Faculty (Ongoing)

Increase support for Part-Time Faculty

- Legislative Action: \$75 million
- Final Action: \$10 million ongoing Proposition 98 General Fund to support part-time faculty office hours. \$90 million (one-time Proposition 98 General Fund)

Increase Full-Time Faculty Hiring

Legislative Action: \$171.43 million

• Final Action: \$100 million

Financial Aid

\$155.4 million to eliminate the age and time out of high school requirements for the Cal Grant for income-eligible California community college students starting in 2021- 22 and \$487 million for all students in 2022-23.

\$500 million to establish the Golden State Education and Training Program and award grants to displaced workers seeking to attend a community college, CSU, or UC.

\$200 million to create the Learning Aligned Employment Program and offer students a state-funded work-study opportunity related to their field of study on campus or at non-profit and private sector entities.

A new requirement that public high schools confirm that their graduating high school seniors complete an application for financial aid or an opt-out waiver.



Deferred Maintenance

Governor's Proposal

- \$314.1 million one-time Proposition 98 General Fund
- \$250 million one-time American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

Legislative Action

- \$438.760 million one-time Prop 98 General Fund
- \$250 million one-time American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

Final Action

• \$511 million one-time Prop 98 General Fund

Housing



Rejects the May Revision proposal to provide the California School Finance Authority with \$4 billion one-time to support student housing projects.



Provides a new \$4 billion fund that will support campus capacity expansion projects at UC and CSU and student housing projects at community colleges, UC and CSU. Adopts placeholder trailer bill language setting criteria and retaining legislative authority over projects.



Creates a new \$2 billion fund for CSU and UC facilities and for student housing at Community Colleges, CSU, and UC. Specific details of the program will be established through legislation enacted later.

One Time: Stays the Same

Common course numbering

\$10 million

Competency-based education pilot

\$10 million

Instructional materials for dual enrollment students

\$2.5 million

CCC Job Registry

\$1 million

One-Time: Mostly Stays the Same

Deferral paydowns	\$1,561.13 million
Emergency student financial aid	\$250 million
Retention and enrollment strategies	\$120 million
Student Basic Needs	\$100 million
Equal employment opportunity	\$10 million*
Equal employment opportunity High Road Training Partnerships	\$10 million* \$20 million

One-time: Added –Remain in Approved Budget

Support LGBTQ+ Centers

\$10 million

Rising Scholars

\$10 million

AB 1460 implementation/antiracism initiatives

Increased to \$5.60 million

One Time: Legislature Actions to Reduce

Guided Pathways

• Governor: \$150 million

Legislature: \$50 million

Final: \$50 million

Zero Textbooks-cost degrees

• Governor: \$115 million

Legislature: \$15 million

Final: \$115 million

Dual enrollment expansion incentives

• Governor: \$75 million

Legislature: 0

Final: \$0

COVID-19 response block grant

• Governor: \$50 million

Legislature: 0

Final: \$0



Prop 51: capital outlay projects

- Approves projects and reappropriations in the Governor's Budget, April Finance letter, and May Revision.
- 9 new projects and
- 32 continuing projects.

Enrollment Reporting

Budget includes language emphasizing the importance of inperson instruction,

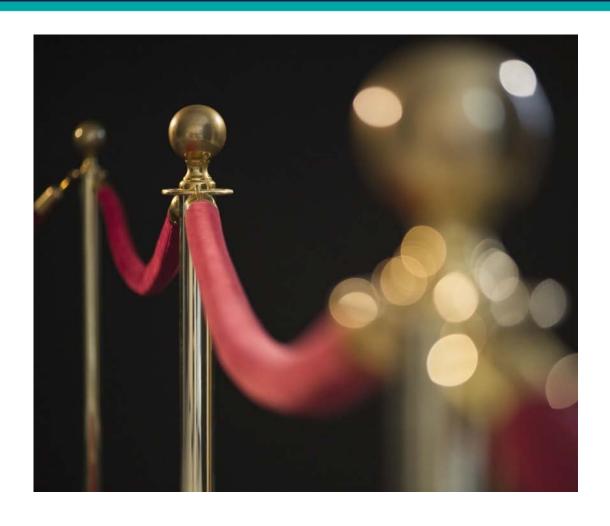
Requires districts to report on the percentage of in-person instruction they are offering in Fall 2021,

Their plans for increasing in-person instruction in Spring 2022, and

How they are responding to student demand for inperson or online instruction

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Dual Admission





Budget creates a new dual admissions transfer program.





Program with a threeyear sunset and reporting language



To increase access to and graduation from public universities for underrepresented students





Bills for Discussion:

League Priority Bills:

AB 927 (Medina) BA Degrees
AB 1456 (Medina) Financial Aid Reform

Academic Affairs:

AB 928 (Berman) Transfer
AB 1111 (Berman) Common Course
Numbers
AB 1040 (Muratsuchi) Ethnic Studies

Collective Bargaining:

AB 275 (Medina) Classified Employees
AB 375 (Medina) Part-Time Faculty Load
AB 438 (Reyes) Classified Employees:
Layoff Notices and Hearings

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League Priority Bills: AB 927 (Medina) BA Degrees AB 1456 (Medina) Financial Aid Reform

AB 927 (Medina) BA Degrees

Would permit community colleges to offer baccalaureate degrees that are not offered by the UC and CSU and remove the sunset date of the current 15 college program.

Location: Senate Committee on Appropriations

AB 1456 (Medina) Financial Aid Reform

Would reform the state's system of financial aid by:

- Creating two new Cal Grant Awards focused on either four-or two-year students.
- Significantly expanding number of students eligible for award.
- Two-year award focused on access costs.

Location: Senate Committee on Education

Academic Affairs: AB 928 (Berman) Transfer

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Introduced in order to smooth out the ADT approval, adoption, and utilization process, this bill would:

- Create a committee charged to make recommendations to the legislature on ways to improve the transfer process.
- The proposed committee would be made up of the following:
 - Three representatives from each of the system offices of the UC/CSU/CCC.
 - Three representatives from each of the Academic Senates of the UC/CSU/CCC.
 - Three representatives from each of the student body organizations of the UC/CSU/CCC.
 - One member from the California Intersegmental Articulation Council.
 - Three members of the public, one each appointed by the Governor and state legislature.
- Require the UC and CSU to adopt one unified transfer pathway.
- Require community college students to be automatically enrolled in an ADT program. Those
 who intend to transfer to the UC or prefer a traditional AA would need to opt-out.

Location: Senate Committee on Appropriations

Academic Affairs:

AB 1111 (Berman) Common Course Numbers AB 1040 (Muratsuchi) Ethnic Studies

AB 1111 (Berman) Common Course Numbers

Would require California's community colleges to establish a common course numbering system.

Location: Senate Committee on Appropriations

AB 1040 (Muratsuchi) Ethnic Studies

Would require students at a community college to take a 3-unit ethnic studies course in order to graduate.

Location: Held in the Senate Committee on Education

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Collective Bargaining: AB 275 (Medina) Classified Employees AB 375 (Medina) Part-Time Faculty Load

AB 275 (Medina) Classified Employees

Currently, colleges and collective bargaining units are permitted to negotiate the length of a probationary period for a newly hired employee for up to one year. This bill would reduce the maximum length of time from one year to six months.

Location: State Assembly

AB 375 (Medina) Part-Time Faculty Load

Would increase the level of teaching load a part-time faculty member could teach from 67% to 85% of a full-time faculty member. A college would be prohibited from assigning a teaching load below 80% to a part-time faculty member who has achieved reemployment rights.

Location: Senate Committee on Appropriations

Collective Bargaining: AB 438 (Reyes) Classified Employees: Layoffs

AB 438 (Reyes) Classified Employees: Layoff Notices and Hearings

Would provide classified school employees with the same rights to a notice and hearing with respect to layoffs as is provided to certificated employees of school districts or academic employees at community colleges.

Location: Senate Committee on Appropriations



