Government Relations Update October 19, 2021

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Welcome to our new Legislative Advocate!





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Budget Update - Housing

SB 169: Higher Education Student Housing and Capacity Expansion Grant Programs



One-time grants for the construction of student housing



Or for to acquire and renovate commercial properties for student housing



Intended to provide **affordable**, **low-cost housing options for students** enrolled in public postsecondary education in California

Funding for Housing Distributed by:

50% of funding for California Community Colleges

30% of funding for California State University

20% of funding for University of California

- Formula would be used for:
 - \$500 million allocated in 2021-22 budget
 - \$750 million allocated in 2022-23 budget*
 - \$750 million allocated in 2023-24 budget*
 - *intent of the legislature language

Important Deadlines

October 31, 2021 – Deadline for Initial proposals for projects to be considered must be submitted to the Department of Finance (DOF). DOF may establish subsequent proposal deadlines as necessary.

March 1, 2022 – DOF shall provide the Joint Legislative Budget Committee information on all submitted project proposals and a list of projects proposed for inclusion in the annual Budget Act or other legislation.

December 31, 2022 – Construction on the project begins or by the earliest possible date thereafter.

Higher Education Student Housing Grant Program Application

- Program Overview and Application Instructions
- Frequently Asked Questions for Higher Education Student Housing Grant Program
- <u>Supplemental Application</u>
- <u>Capital Outlay Budget Change Proposal (COBCP) form</u>

Submit proposals to <u>StudentHousingGrants@dof.ca.gov</u>

\$25 million for CCC planning grants* May be used for:

- Feasibility studies
- Engineering studies
- Financing studies
- Environmental impact studies
- Architectural plans
- Application fees
- Legal services
- Permitting costs
- Bonding
- Site preparation
 - *Intent Language

Student Housing Feasibility Studies

The League solicited proposals for Student Housing Feasibility Studies

- <u>Click here for Scion's proposal</u>
- <u>Click here for Brailsford & Dunlavey's proposal</u>
- For questions on Student Housing Feasibility Studies, please contact Lisa Mealoy, Chief Operating Officer, at linealoy@ccleague.org.

2022-23 Budget

Students First

Leading California's Equitable Recovery

2022-23 System Budget Proposal

September 2021

Shared Advocacy Request



Base Funding Increases

\$500 million ongoing



Deferred Maintenance & Instructional Equipment \$150 million one-time



Pension Relief

Ongoing funding (non prop 98)



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Legislative Update

End of Session 2021 Legislative Year



- Legislature has adjourned for the 2021 legislative year.
- Themes:
 - COVID-19 Response
 - Recall
 - Equity
 - Transfer
 - Affordability

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 ID AB 576 (Maienschein) Military Bases

Brown Act:

AB 339 (Lee) Teleconferencing AB 361 (Rivas) Brown Act During Emergencies

Collective Bargaining:

AB 375 (Medina) Part-Time Faculty Teaching Load AB 438 (Reyes) Classified Employees: Layoff Notices and Hearings SB 270 (Durazo) Employee Contact Information SB 278 (Leyva) Public Employee Retirement

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AB 927 (Medina) BA Degrees

Permits 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.

Result: Signed by Governor Newsom

AB 1456 (Medina) Financial Aid Reform

Would have reformed the state's system of financial aid by:

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

Result: Vetoed by Governor Newsom

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 will:

- Create a committee charged for making 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.
- Flexes guided pathway dollars to provide funding to implement the measure.

Result: Signed by Governor Newsom

Academic Affairs AB 1111 (Berman) Common Course Numbers AB 576 (Maienschein) Military Bases

AB 1111 (Berman) Common Course Numbers

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

Result: Signed by Governor Newsom

AB 576 (Maienschein) Military Bases

Waives the open-course requirement for classes taught on military bases, thus making those classes eligible for apportionment funding.

Location: Signed into Law

Brown Act AB 339 (Lee) Teleconferencing AB 361 (Rivas) Brown Act and Emergencies

AB 339 (Lee) Teleconferencing

Would have required large counties and cities to provide a way to participate in Brown Act compliant meetings via teleconference.

Result: Vetoed by Governor Newsom

AB 361 (Rivas) Brown Act

Codifies into law the Governor's emergency order into law permitting public entities to hold Brown Act compliant meetings via teleconference during declared emergencies.

Location: Signed into Law

Community College League of California AB 375 (Medina) Part-Time Faculty Teaching Load AB 438 (Reyes) Classified Employees

AB 375 (Medina) Part-Time Faculty Teaching Load

Would have increased the teaching load for a part-time faculty member from 67% of a fulltime teaching load to in between 80% - 85%. Colleges would be required to assign classes up to no less than 80% of the threshold of a full-time faculty teaching load.

Result: Vetoed by Governor Newsom

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

Will 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.

Result: Signed by Governor Newsom

Collective Bargaining SB 270 (Durazo) Employee Information SB 278 (Leyva) Public Employee Retirement

SB 270 (Durazo) Employee Information

Permits public employees to file an unfair labor practice charge with PERB alleging that a public employer has sent wrong employee contact info to their collective bargaining agents. If the allegation is proven true, public employers would be liable for up to a \$10,000 fine and attorney fees.

Location: Signed by Governor Newsom

SB 278 (Leyva) Public Employee Retirement

If CalPERS reduces an employee's pension post-retirement due to ruling that part of their compensation would be non pensionable, this bill will require the public employer to pay the difference.

Location: Signed by Governor Newsom



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Federal Update

Build Back Better: \$3.5 Trillion Spending Plan

- Must have all Democrats in the Senate vote for legislation.
- Debate between moderates and progressives on size of the bill.
- Level of funding for bill will almost certainly go down.
- Goal: Reach an agreement by October 31st.

Possible cost mitigation measures:

- Means testing for programs like free community colleges.
- Reductions in authorized program length.
- Elimination of critical programs.



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Undocumented Student Action Week

Systemwide webinars: October 18 - 22

Advocacy: https://p2a.co/YRfUgXl

California Community Colleges Undocumented Student Action Week October 18-22, 2021

More information:

https://www.cccco.edu/Students/Support-Services/Special-

population/Undocumented-Students/Undocumented-Student-Action-Week



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League Annual Legislative Conference

January 30-31, 2022

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