



# Government Relations Webinar

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COMMUNITY COLLEGE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA



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# Federal Update

## Tom Downs, Downs Government Affairs

# FY 2023 Appropriations Bills Under Consideration

## **House and Senate bills include Congressionally directed spending (“earmarks”)**

The House of Representatives has passed 6 of 12 appropriations bills required for the fiscal year beginning on October 1, 2022. The remaining 6 bills have been approved by the House Appropriations Committee.

- The House Labor-HHS-Education appropriations bill includes earmarks for 20 different California community college projects.

The Senate Appropriations Committee has introduced its versions of all 12 bills.

- One-third of all earmarks for California projects included in the Senate Labor-HHS-Education appropriations bills are for community colleges.

# “Chips and Science” Bill Signed into Law

## **Domestic semiconductor chip manufacturing program combined with National Science Foundation (NSF) reauthorization**

- Reauthorizes and doubles the budget for the NSF Advanced Technological Education Program (ATE), from \$75 million to \$150 million annually.
- Includes incentives to expand domestic semiconductor chip manufacturing, a top trade and manufacturing industry concern with only 12% of semiconductor chips manufactured in the United States, down from 37% during the 1990s.
- Likely to spur the creation of new advanced manufacturing programs along the lines of Maricopa Community Colleges’ (AZ) Semiconductor Technician Quick Start boot camp, preparing workers for jobs in semiconductor fabrication plants.

# Inflation Reduction Act Passes Senate and House

## **Includes climate-related workforce training and education provisions**

- \$200 million in grants to states for training and education of contractors involved in the installation of home energy efficiency and electrification improvements.
- Funds workforce development and training to support the maintenance, charging, fueling, and operation of zero-emission vehicles.
- Funds workforce development that helps reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other air pollutants.

President Joe Biden will sign this bill into law soon.

# Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

## **WIOA reauthorization approved by the House of Representatives**

- Establishes a statutory authorization for the U.S. Department of Labor's Strengthening Community College Training Grants.
- Doubles annual funding for Strengthening Community College Training Grants – \$100 million in FY 2023, increasing to \$161 million in FY 2028.
- Increases the number of community college representatives on state workforce development boards and requires that community colleges be included in workforce development plans.

The WIOA reauthorization bill awaits consideration in the Senate.

# National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)

## House-passed FY 2023 NDAA provisions

- Prioritizes community college and minority-serving institution students for STEM scholarships, fellowships, and research internships.
- Authorizes \$30 million annually in grants for community college maritime-related training programs.

The Senate version of the NDAA, authorizing \$40 million annually for community college maritime training grants, awaits floor consideration.

Enactment of the NDAA is highly likely. Congress has passed, and the president has signed the NDAA every year for the past 60 years.



# On the Horizon: The Farm Bill

## **Proposed community college agriculture and natural resources grant program**

- Over the past 160 years, Congress has authorized assistance to land-grant institutions such as UC Davis, Historically Black Colleges and University (HBCU) land-grants, and tribal land-grant institutions. Community colleges have not been prioritized for USDA funding.
- The Farm Bill will be up for consideration by the 118<sup>th</sup> Congress in 2023. The Community College Alliance for Agricultural Advancement (C2A3) is leading an advocacy campaign to create a new USDA program, Capacity Building Grants for Community College Agriculture and Natural Resources Programs.
- The grant program proposed by the C2A3 consortium would authorize \$150 million annually to enable community colleges to build their capacity for education and workforce training in food and agricultural sciences.



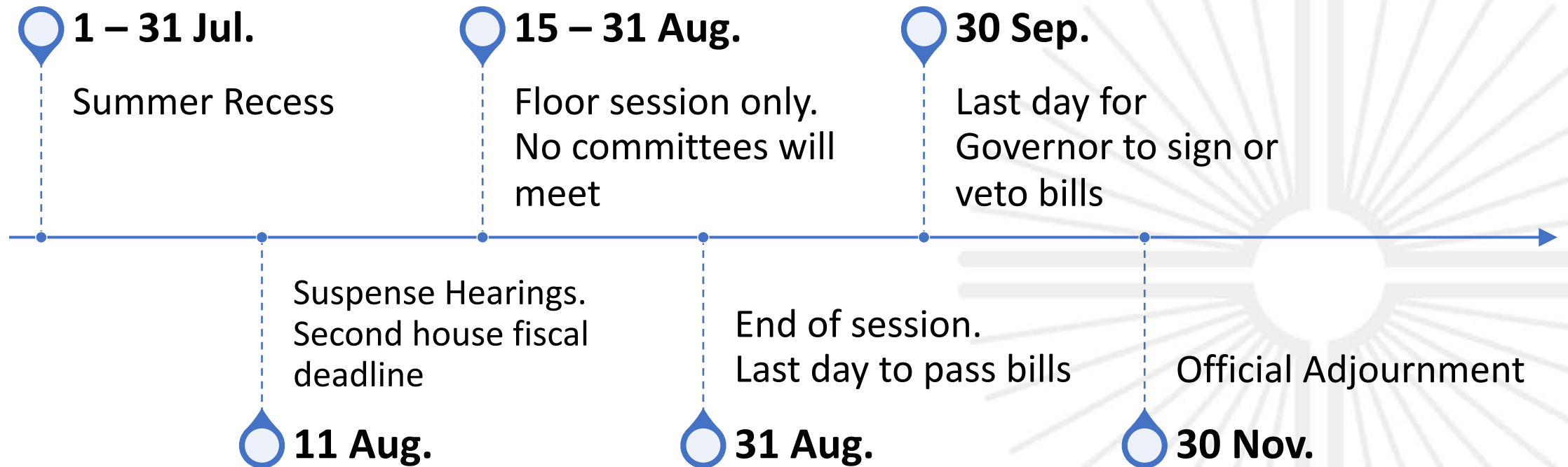
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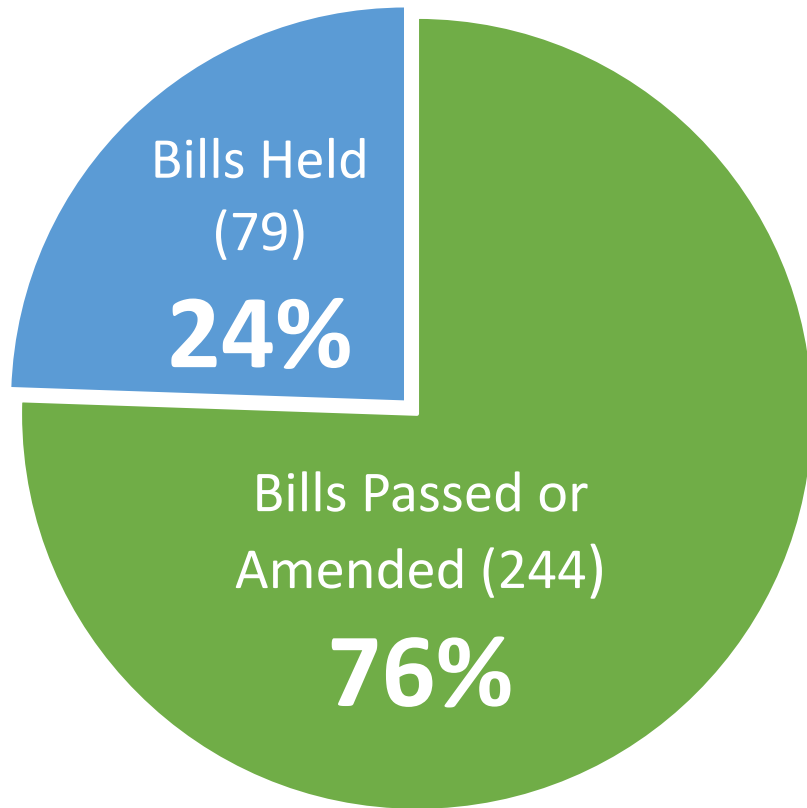


# State Legislative Update

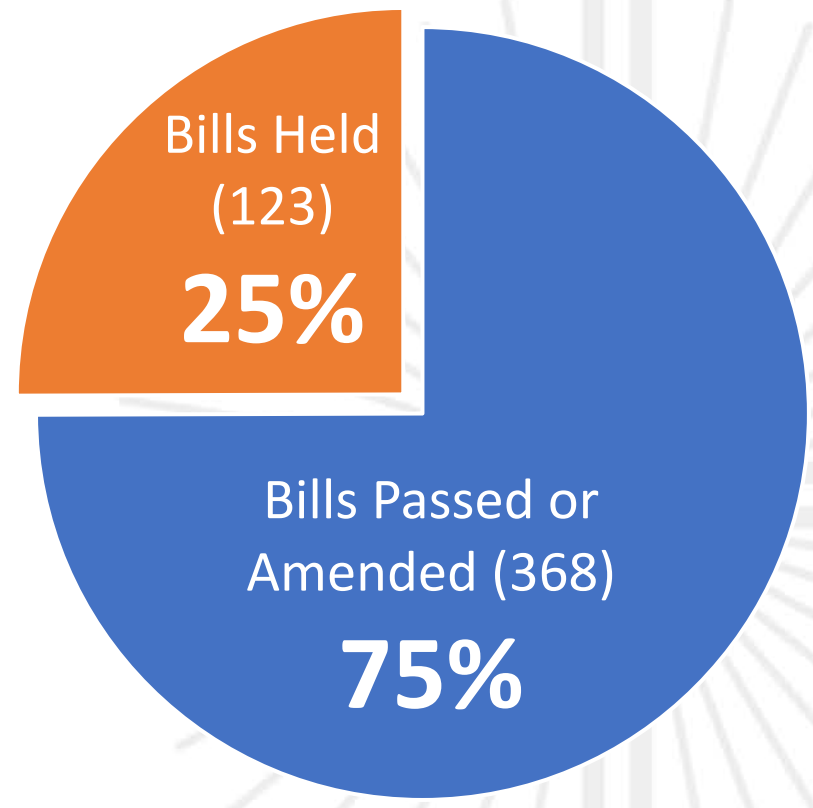
# Legislative Calendar: What to Expect



# Suspense Hearing Results



**Assembly Appropriations Committee**  
*323 Total Bills*



**Senate Appropriations Committee**  
*491 Total Bills*



# Priority Legislation

- ▶ AB 1746 (Medina) Support
- ▶ AB 1505 (Rodriguez) Oppose

# Priority Legislation: Financial Aid

## **AB 1746 (Medina) Cal Grant Reform**

Would reform the state's Cal Grant system by matching eligibility requirements with Pell Grants, making it easier for non-traditional students to qualify for financial aid and simplifying the process in which students apply for Cal Grants.

**Status:** **Included in the state budget, contingent on 2024 state revenues.**

**League Position:** **SUPPORT**



# Priority Legislation: Collective Bargaining

## **AB 1505 (Rodriguez) Faculty Obligation Number**

Would have re-benched the faculty obligation number to reported Fall 2023 full-time faculty numbers and be adjusted annually after.

### **Other Items:**

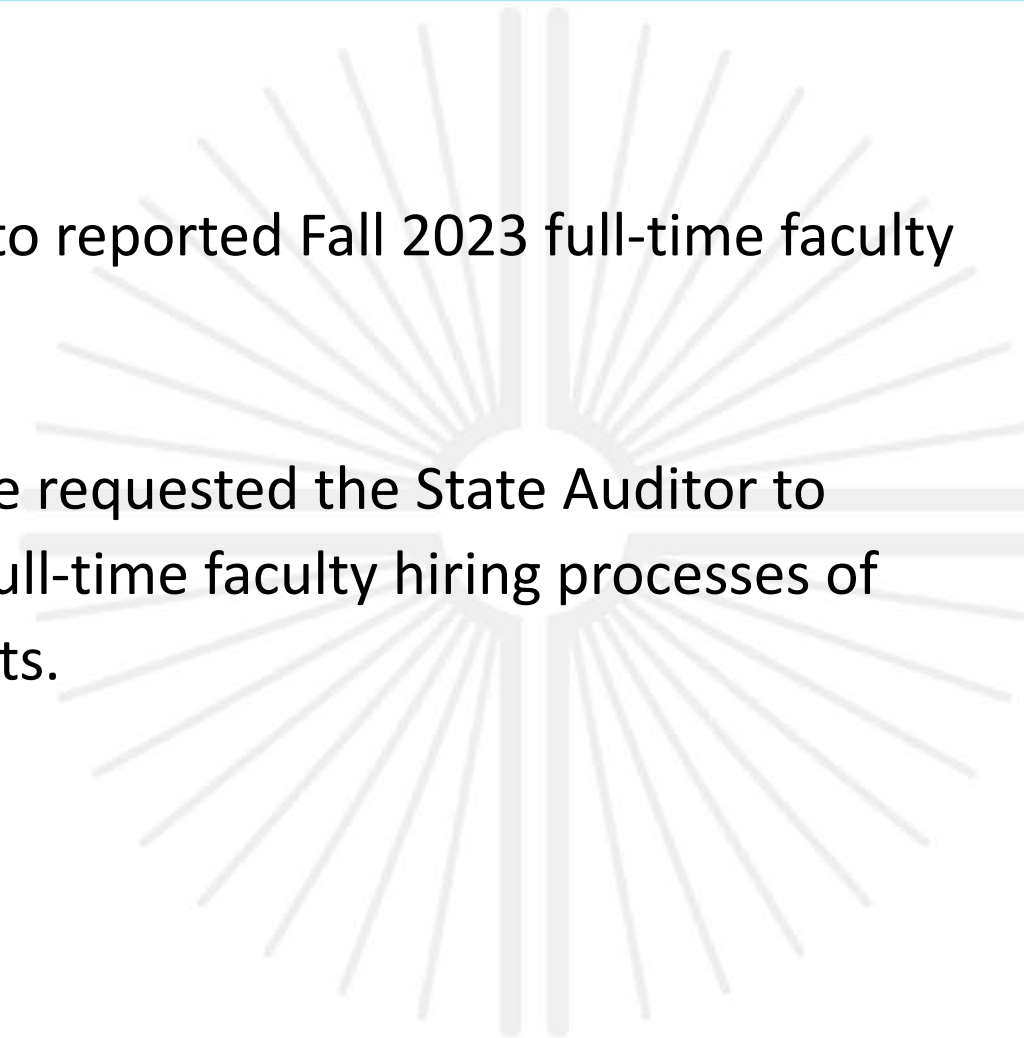
FACCC, CCCI, and CFT have requested the State Auditor to conduct an audit on the full-time faculty hiring processes of community college districts.

### **Status:**

Dead

### **League Position:**

**OPPOSE**





# Thank You for Your Advocacy!

**Dr. Erika Endrijonas of Pasadena City College and Dr. Bill Scroggins of Mt. San Antonio College** for their engagement with the Chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee

**Dr. Kevin Walthers of Allan Hancock College** and all the CEOs who joined us for our virtual visits with the members and staff of the Senate Education Committee.

**President/Superintendent Willy Duncan of Sierra College** for coming to the Senate Education Committee to serve as our lead witness in opposition.

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## District Response:

### OPPOSITION

Antelope Valley College  
Association of California Community College Administrators  
Association of Community and Continuing Education  
Butte College  
Chaffey College  
Citrus Community College District  
Coast Community College District  
College of The Sequoias  
College of The Siskiyous  
Community College League of California  
Copper Mountain Community College District  
Feather River Community College District  
Imperial Valley College  
Lassen College  
Marin Community College District  
Mendocino Community College District  
Merced Community College District  
Miracosta Community College District  
Modesto Junior College  
Monterey Peninsula College  
Mt. San Antonio College  
Mt. San Jacinto Community College District  
Napa Valley College  
North Orange County Community College District  
Ohlone College

### AB 1505 (Rodriguez)

Palo Verde Community College District  
Pasadena Area Community College District  
Rancho Santiago Community College District  
Rio Hondo College  
Riverside Community College District  
San Diego Mesa College  
San Jose-evergreen Community College District  
San Luis Obispo County Community College District / Cuesta College  
Santa Barbara City College  
Shasta-tehama-trinity Joint Community College District  
Sierra Community College District  
Solano Community College  
South Orange County Community College District  
Ventura County Community College District  
West Hills Community College District  
Yosemite Community College District  
Yuba Community College District

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# Suspense File – Bill Outcomes

<b>Bill</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Result</b>
AB 2315 (Arambula) Preferred Names	<b>SUPPORT</b>	<i>Passed</i>
AB 1919 (Holden) Youth Transit Passes	<b>SUPPORT</b>	<i>Passed</i>
AB 1719 (Ward) Community College Employee Housing	<b>SUPPORT</b>	<i>Passed</i>
SB 1141 (Limón) Nonresident tuition	<b>SUPPORT</b>	<i>Passed</i>
AB 1505 (Rodriguez) Faculty Obligation Number	<b>OPPOSE</b>	<i>Dead</i>

# Bills in the State Budget

## **AB 1746 (Medina) Cal Grant Reform**

- Contingent on General Fund moneys over the multiyear forecasts beginning in the 2024–25 fiscal year being available to support ongoing augmentations and actions.

## **AB 1764 (Medina) Student Housing Survey**

- Requires the CSU, CCC, and UC to collect data on student housing insecurity at each of their respective campuses.

## **SB 885 (Laird) Foster Youth – NextUp Programs**

- Removes the existing cap on the number of districts (20) that may administer NextUp programs.

## **AB 2266 (Santiago) California College Promise Program**

- Expands eligibility for the Promise Program fee waiver to returning students who re-enroll after two or more semesters.



# QUESTIONS





# Budget Update



# Budget Trailer Bill Cleanup



Likely will see a housing clean up budget trailer bill

AB 1602 McCarty Held by Senate Suspense

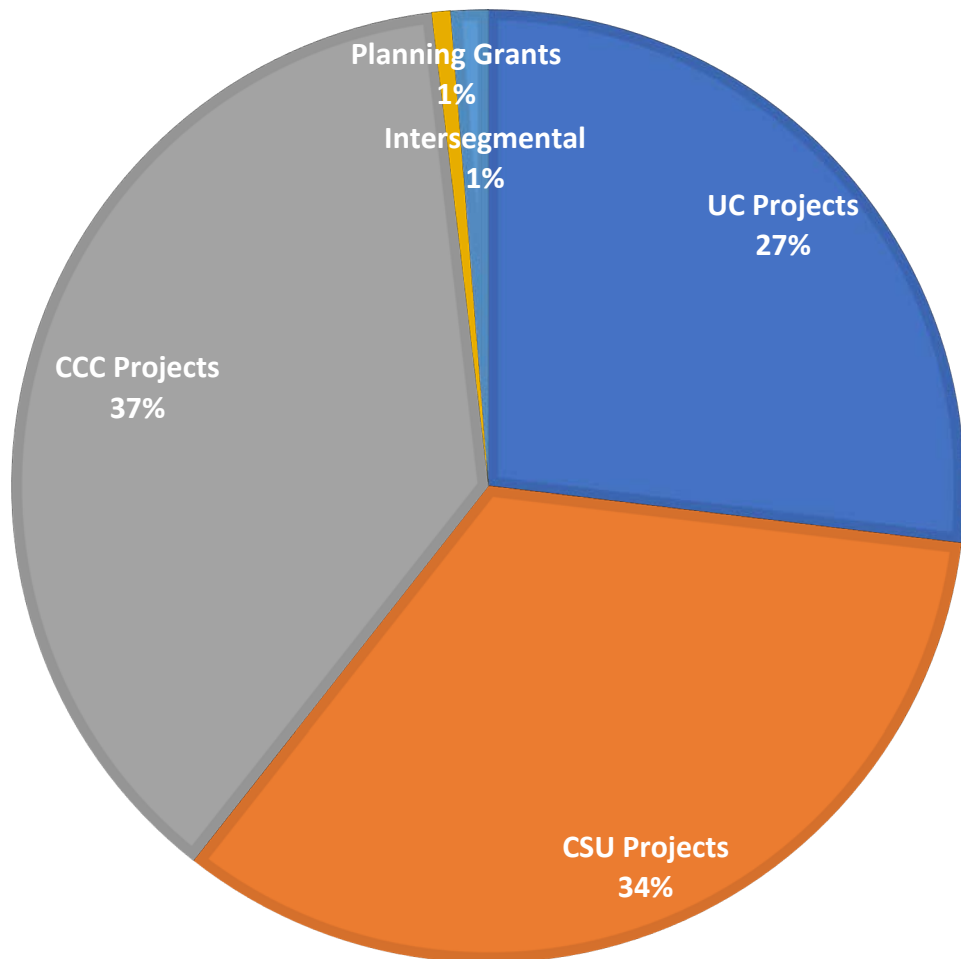
The 2022-23 Budget included intent language on \$1.8 billion one-time General Fund

Establishes a student housing revolving loan program for the UC, the CSU, and the CCCs

Contingent upon future legislation

# Budget Trailer Cleanup

**\$1.445 BILLION**



Potential modification of existing \$2.2 billion affordable housing program

Bulk of remaining funds are ccc directed

Almost \$750 million left to spend



# Budget Trailer Bill Cleanup



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- Likely to see a modified timeline for applications
- Current language offers two deadlines:
  - October 31, 2022, for CCC projects that were previously denied
  - October 31, 2023, for all other CCC projects



Thank you!

