

Government Relations Webinar



February 20, 2024



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- ❖ Legislative Update





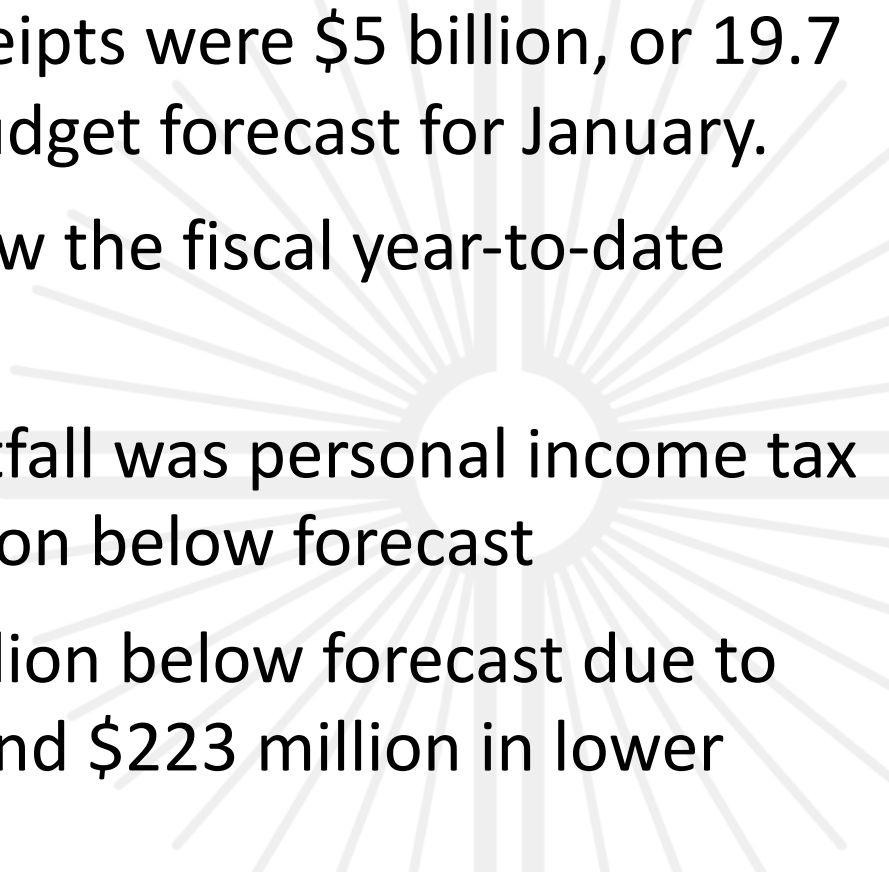
Budget Update

COMMUNITY COLLEGE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA

LAO: new revenue
forecast \$24 billion
below Governor's
January budget
projections

- ***The Latest Forecast Continues to Suggest Downside Risk.*** LAO's latest forecast continues to suggest there is significant downside risk to state revenues relative to the Governor's Budget.
- Specifically, their forecast is about \$24 billion below the Governor's Budget across 2022-23 to 2024-25.
- That being said, there is still significant uncertainty about how much revenue the state ultimately will collect.
- It is entirely possible that revenues could end up \$10 billion higher or lower than our estimate for 2023-24 and \$25 billion higher or lower for 2024-25.

Department of Finance: February Finance Bulletin

- Preliminary General Fund agency cash receipts were \$5 billion, or 19.7 percent, below the 2024-25 Governor's Budget forecast for January.
 - And were \$5.9 billion, or 4.8 percent, below the fiscal year-to-date forecast of \$121.5 billion.
 - The primary driver of the cumulative shortfall was personal income tax estimated payments, which were \$4.6 billion below forecast
 - Corporate tax cash receipts were \$980 million below forecast due to \$552 million in higher corporate refunds and \$223 million in lower estimated payments.
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Upcoming Budget Hearings

| DATE | COMMITTEE | SUBJECT |
|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| February 21 | Assembly Budget Sub. #3 | Higher Education |
| March 5 | Assembly Budget Sub. #3 | Higher Education |
| March 7 | Senate Budget Sub. #1 | Higher Education |
| March 19 | Assembly Budget Sub. #3 | Higher Education |
| April 23 | Assembly Budget Sub. #3 | California Community Colleges |
| April 24 | Senate Budget Sub. #1 | Higher Education |

League 2024 Talking Points

Gratitude

- Thank the Administration and Legislature for their support
- Explain how state support has helped your ability to serve your community

Education

- Share your college's successes
- Highlight student stories
- Explain how state support has directly contributed to your college's/district's ability to serve your community

Flexibility

- The state historically has looked to maximize its limited resources in economic downturns
- Encourage policymakers to support additional flexibility
- Like 50% law, for example



Legislative Update: Leadership Changes

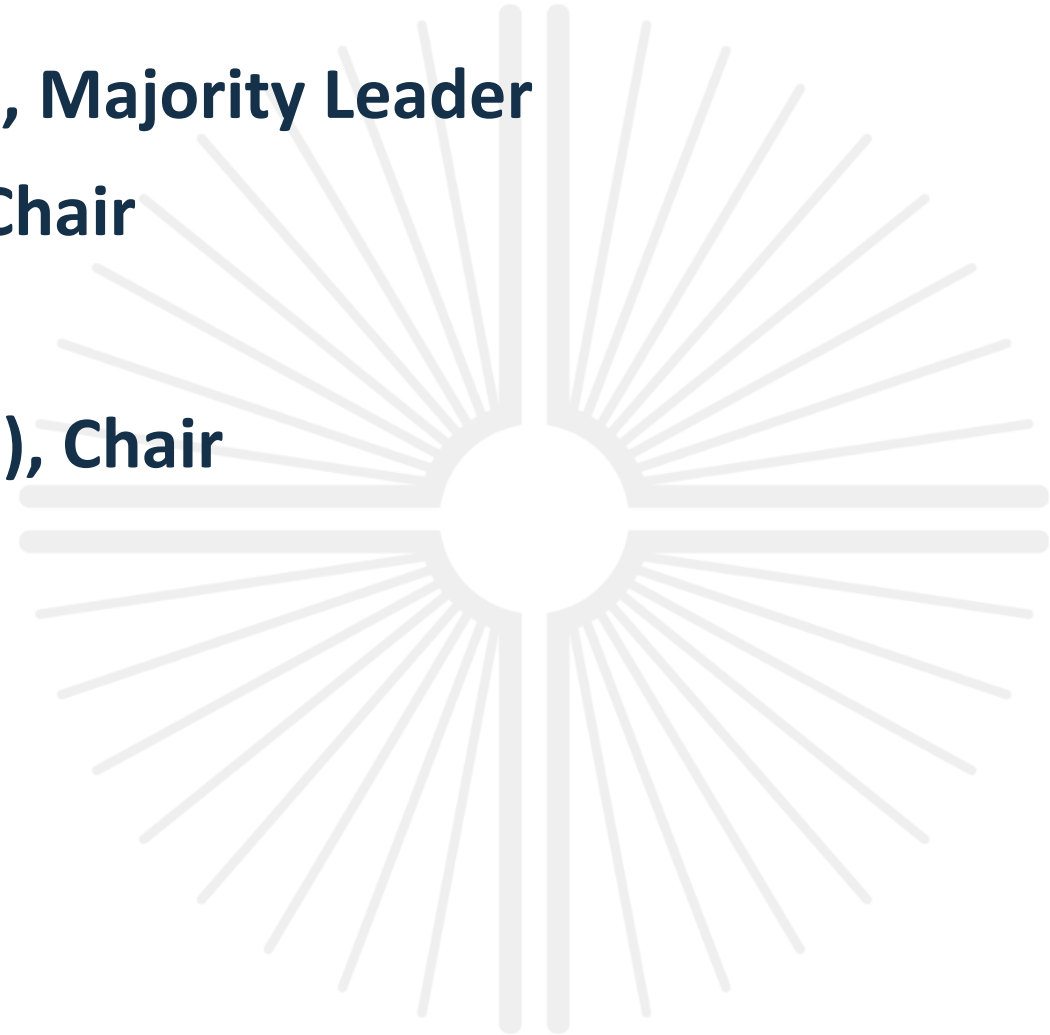
COMMUNITY COLLEGE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA

Senator Mike
McGuire sworn in as
Senate President Pro
Tempore



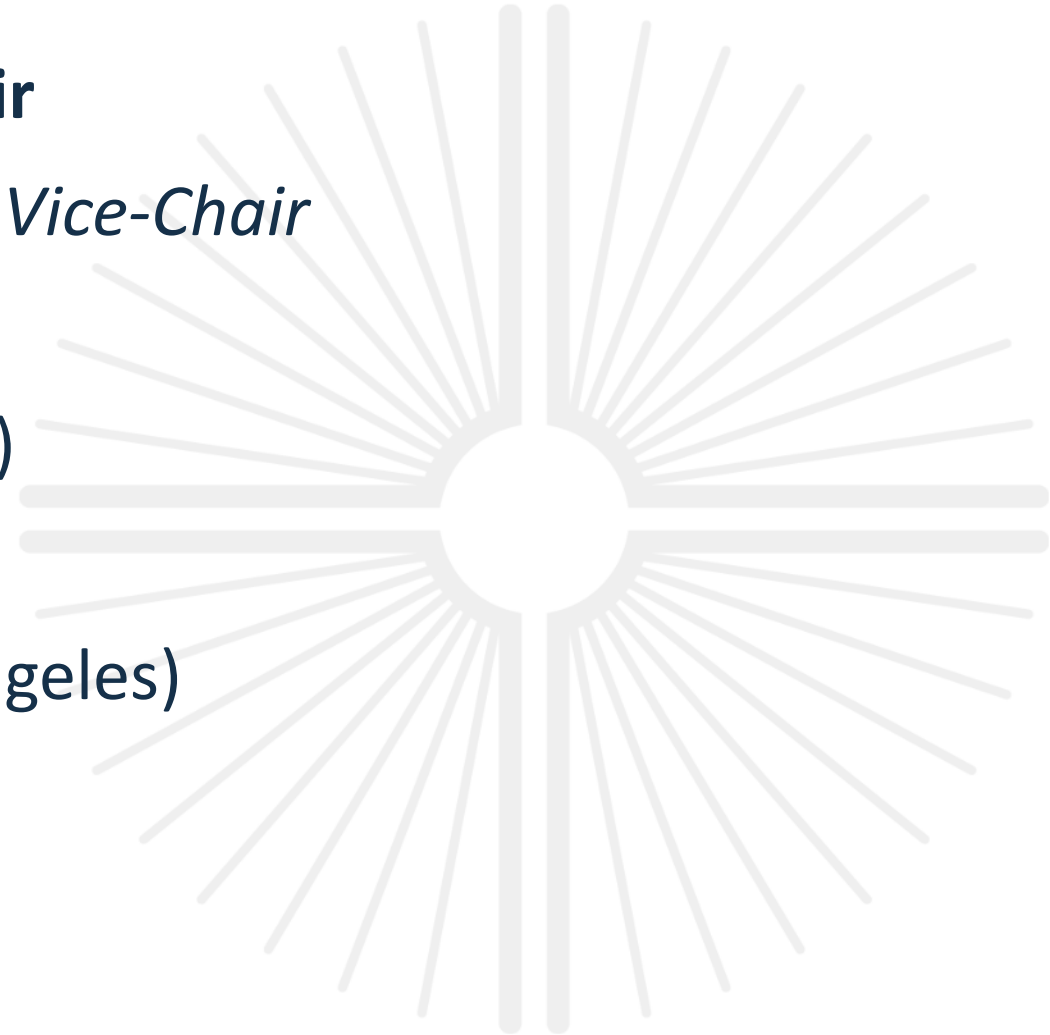
Senate Leadership

- **Senator Lena A. Gonzalez (D-Long Beach), Majority Leader**
- **Senator Anna M. Caballero (D-Merced), Chair**
- Appropriations Committee
- **Senator Scott D. Wiener (D-San Francisco), Chair**
- *Budget and Fiscal Review*



Senate Education Committee

- **Senator Josh Newman (D-Fullerton), Chair**
- Senator Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh (R-Yucaipa), *Vice-Chair*
- Senator Dave Cortese (D-San Jose)
- Senator Steven M. Glazer (D-Contra Costa)
- Senator Lena A. Gonzalez (D-Long Beach)
- Senator Lola Smallwood-Cuevas (D-Los Angeles)
- Senator Scott Wilk (R-Santa Clarita)



Senate Budget Committee

Budget Subcommittee #1 on Education

- **Senator John Laird (D-Santa Cruz), Chair**
- Senator Dave Min (D-Irvine)
- Senator Scott Wilk (R-Santa Clarita)

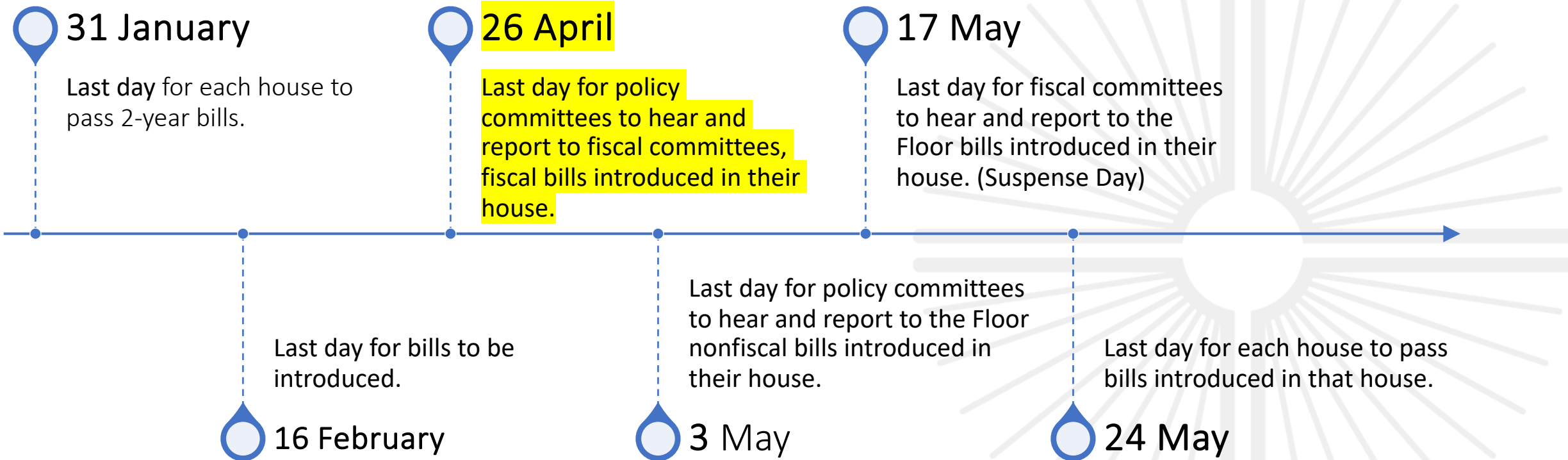




Legislative Update

COMMUNITY COLLEGE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA

Upcoming Legislative Deadlines



Introduced Bills At A Glance

2124 Bills introduced this year

1505 Assembly Bills

103 Tracked

619 Senate Bills

28 Tracked



Priority Legislation

- ▶ AB 247 (Muratsuchi) Facilities Bond
- ▶ SB 895 (Roth) BSN Degrees

Priority Legislation: AB 247 (Muratsuchi)

AB 247 (Muratsuchi) Education finance: school facilities: Transitional Kindergarten to Community College Public Education Facilities Bond of 2024

- Authorizes a K-14 school bond on the November 2024 ballot.
- \$14 billion for the construction and modernization of Transitional Kindergarten through community colleges public education facilities.

Location: Senate Appropriations Committee



Action Requested: AB 247 (Muratsuchi)

- Submit a letter of support directly through the California Legislature Position Letter Portal: <https://calegislation.lc.ca.gov/Advocates/>
- Letters should be directed to the Senate Appropriations Committee.
- Please CC The Governor's Office at: leg.unit@gov.ca.gov

Letters must be submitted by FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2024

Priority Legislation: SB 895 (Roth)

SB 895 (Roth) Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program

Would establish a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that authorizes 15 community college districts to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree. Participating districts must have a nationally accredited Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program in an underserved nursing area.

Location: Senate Education Committee

League Position: Co-Sponsor and Support



Action Requested: SB 895 (Roth)

- Submit a letter of support directly through the California Legislature Position Letter Portal: <https://calegislation.lc.ca.gov/Advocates/>
- Letters should be directed to the Senate Education Committee.
- Ask your Senator or Assemblymember if they would commit to **co-authoring the bill.**

Template support letters will be available on the League's website.

The deadline to submit letters is TBD.

Bills on Academic Affairs

Nursing Legislation

SB 1183 (Hurtado) Community colleges: registered nursing programs

Would add living in a medically underserved area or population, as designated by the federal Health Resources and Services Administration, to the list of life experiences or special circumstances specified for consideration in a multicriteria screening process.

AB 2532 (Mathis) Community colleges: registered nursing programs

Current law authorizes a community college registered nursing program, if it determines that the number of applicants to the program exceeds its capacity, to admit students to the program using a multicriteria screening process. This bill would add residing within a medically underserved area, as specified, to the list of life experiences or special circumstances specified for consideration in a multicriteria screening process.

Nursing Legislation

AB 2104 (Soria) Community colleges: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program

Would require the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to develop a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that authorizes select community college districts to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. The bill would limit the pilot program to 15 community college districts statewide and would require the Chancellor to identify eligible community college districts based on specified criteria.

AB 1891 (Weber) Community colleges: allied health programs

The bill would prohibit a community college district from excluding an applicant to an allied health program on the basis that the applicant is not a resident of that district or has not completed prerequisite courses in that district and from implementing policies, procedures, and systems that have the effect of excluding an applicant or student who is not a resident of that district from the district's allied health program.

Dual Enrollment Legislation

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 school day requirement if the pupil is also enrolled in a UC, CSU, or CCC course.

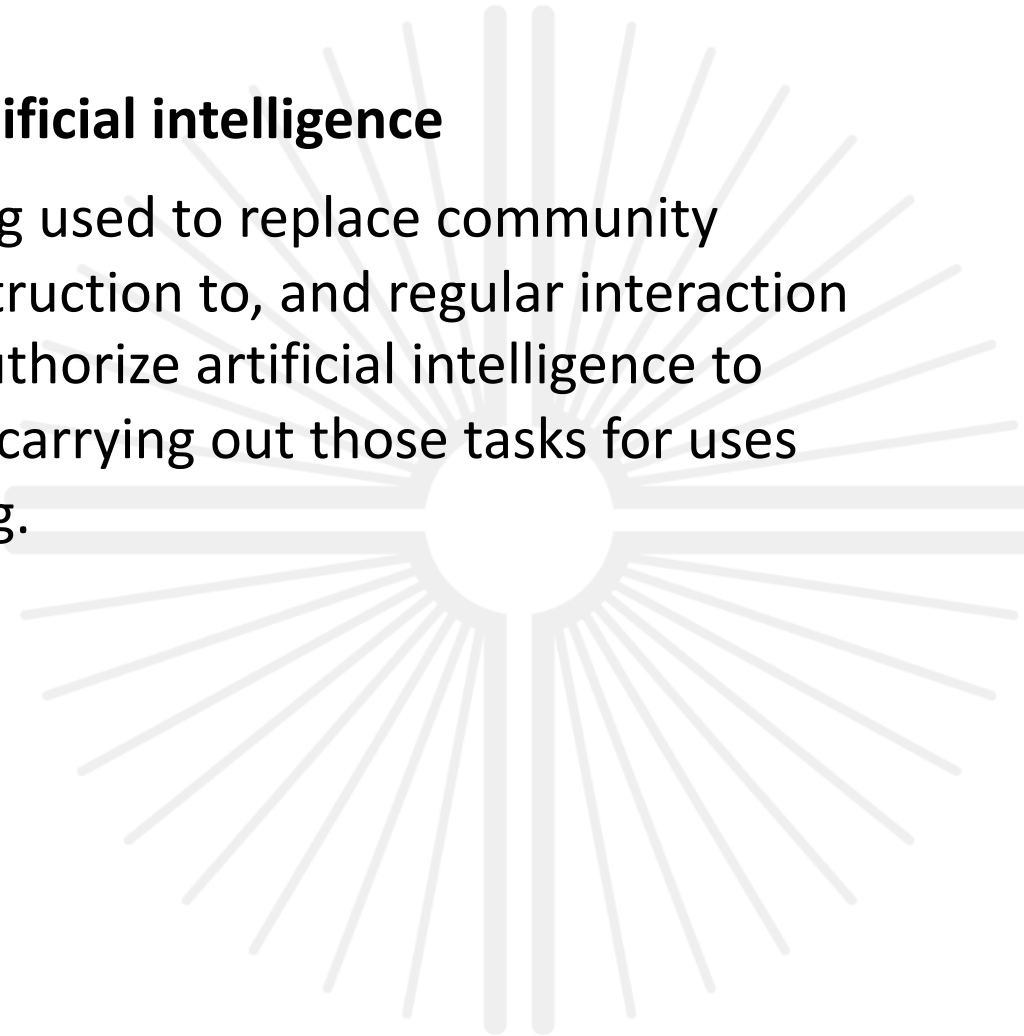
SB 1244 (Newman) Pupil instruction: dual enrollment: College and Career Access Pathways partnerships

This bill would authorize a community college district to enter into a CCAP partnership to offer dual enrollment courses with a school district, county office of education, or charter school within the service area of another community college district if the community college district in the service area has declined a request from, or has failed to take action within 60 calendar days of a request to either enter into a CCAP partnership or to approve another community college district to enter into a CCAP partnership to offer those courses.

AI Legislation

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

This bill 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, and would authorize artificial intelligence to only be used as a peripheral tool to support faculty in carrying out those tasks for uses such as course development, assessment, and tutoring.



Academic Affairs Legislation

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

States the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation based on recommendations from the Associate Degree for Transfer Intersegmental Implementation Committee.

AB 2852 (Garcia) Public postsecondary education: California-Mexico Higher Education Development and Academic Exchange Program

This bill 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 University of California, the California State University, or the California Community Colleges to attend universities in Mexico and for 400 students who attend a university in Mexico to attend a campus of the University of California, the California State University, or the California Community Colleges each year, as provided.

Academic Affairs Legislation

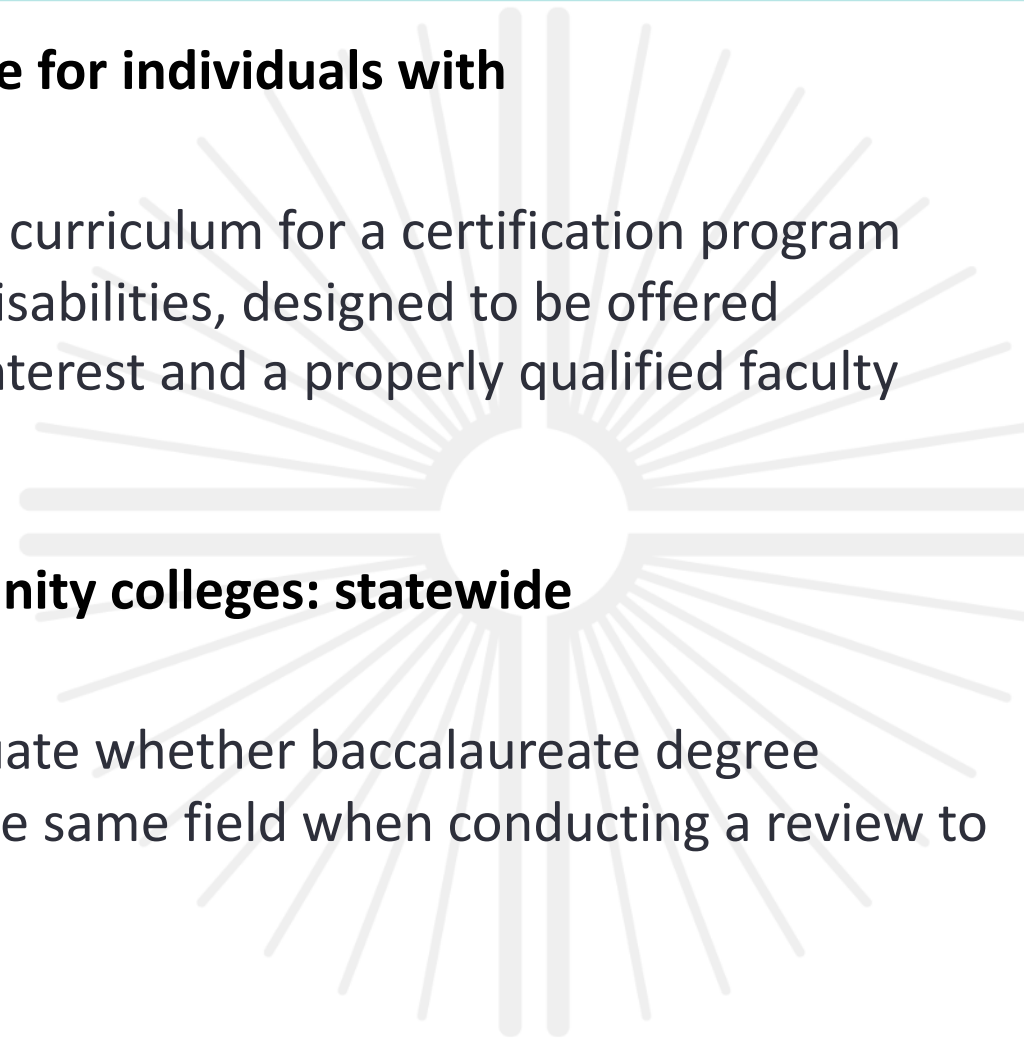
AB 1914 (Grayson) Community colleges: providers of care for individuals with developmental disabilities: model curriculum

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.

AB 2044 (Chen) Public postsecondary education: community colleges: statewide baccalaureate degree program

This bill would require the chancellor to additionally evaluate whether baccalaureate degree holders are paid more than associate degree holders in the same field when conducting a review to approve the elimination of an associate degree program.

Location: Assembly Higher Education Committee



Bills on Title IX, Sexual Harassment, and Discrimination



Title IX Legislation

AB 1575 (Irwin) Public postsecondary education: sexual harassment, sexual violence, and discrimination: disciplinary actions: confidential advocates and advisers

- To be eligible to receive state financial aid, an institution of the California Community Colleges (CCC), the California State University (CSU), and the University of California (UC) must adopt a policy permitting a student to be represented by an adviser if the student receives a notification of disciplinary action. The adviser may be a confidential advocate.
- Each institution shall employ at least two confidential advocates to assist in its response to discrimination.
- An institution is not required to employ a confidential advocate if it enters into a memorandum of understanding with a local victim advocacy organization to provide confidential advocates on campus.

Location: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Title IX Legislation

AB 2492 (Irwin) Public postsecondary education: sex discrimination complaints: advocates and coordinators [SPOT BILL]

This bill states the intent of the Legislature to require each campus of the California Community Colleges and the California State University and request each campus of the University of California, to provide, for purposes of sex discrimination complaints, confidential advocates and respondent coordinators.

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

This bill requires all of higher education institutions to consider updating the annual sexual violence and sexual harassment training for students. The bill would also require the annual sexual violence and sexual harassment training to include additional topics, including how to recognize if someone is at risk of drug-facilitated sexual assault.

Title IX Legislation

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

This bill directs the California State Auditor by January 1, 2026, and every 3 years thereafter, to conduct an audit of the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California regarding their respective handling and investigation of sexual harassment complaints. The bill would require the audits to, among other things, evaluate each institution's compliance with applicable federal and state law in cases where the respondent of a sexual harassment complaint is a student, faculty member, or staff member and determine if each institution's policies and procedures regarding sexual harassment are adequate to prevent, detect, and address sexual harassment.

Title IX Legislation

AB 2047 (M. Fong) Postsecondary education: discrimination prevention: systemwide offices [SPOT BILL]

This bill states the intent to create a systemwide Title IX and nondiscrimination office at postsecondary educational institutions in the state and would require those offices to enact policies to prevent discrimination on their respective campuses.

AB 2048 (M. Fong) Postsecondary education: discrimination prevention: campus-based offices [SPOT BILL]

This bill states the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation related to staffing Title IX and nondiscrimination offices at each campus of a postsecondary educational institution and the process those offices use to adjudicate complaints of discrimination.


AB 2326 (Alvarez) Public postsecondary education: sex discrimination policies [SPOT BILL]

This bill states the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation related to the statewide monitoring of the implementation of sex discrimination policies at public postsecondary educational institutions.

Title IX Legislation

SB 959 (Menjivar) Public postsecondary education: sexual orientation and gender identity: campus contact [SPOT BILL]

The Equity in Higher Education Act requests the Trustees of the California State University, the Regents of the University of California, and the governing board of each community college district to designate an employee at each of their respective campuses as a point of contact for the needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender faculty, staff, and students. This bill would add queer faculty, staff, and students to the list of individuals for whom the designated employee would serve as a point of contact.



Bills on Financial Aid, Fees, and College Affordability



Financial Aid Legislation

AB 1885 (Addis) Student Success Completion Grant program

This bill would expand eligibility for the \$1289/semester Student Success Completion Grant to part-time students who are enrolled in 9 or more units per semester as part of a Disabled Services and Programs for Students (DSPS) Academic Accommodation Plan.

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

This bill states the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation related to the Student Aid Commission's authority to postpone an application deadline for financial aid programs via a formal request. The bill intends to instead grant that authority to the executive director, extend the 10-day timeline for submission of a formal request to 15 days, require a report to the commission on extension requests, and authorize the commission to automatically grant deadline extensions for certain qualifying events.

Financial Aid Legislation

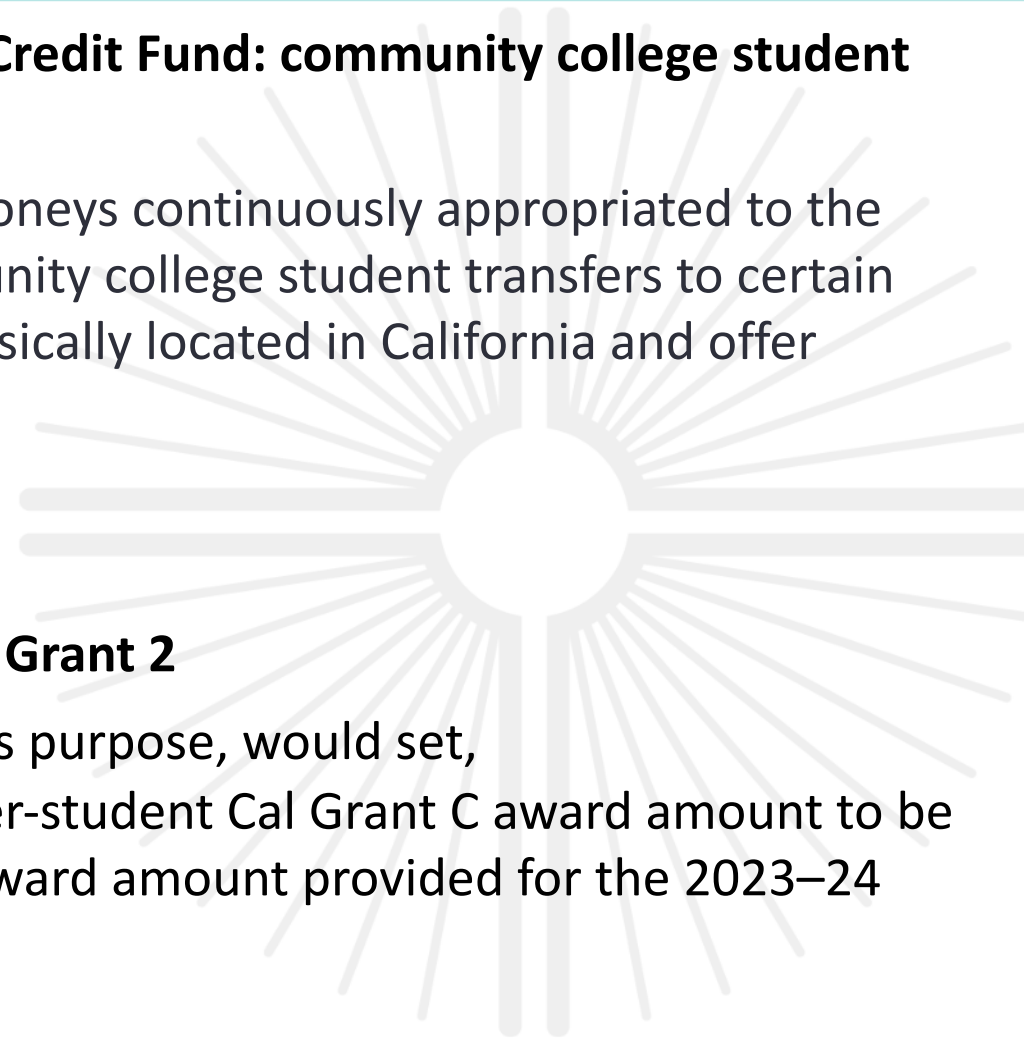
AB 2027 (Gipson) Student financial aid: College Access Tax Credit Fund: community college student transfers: Historically Black Graduate Professional Schools

This bill would require the College Access Tax Credit Fund moneys continuously appropriated to the commission 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.

Location: Assembly Higher Education

AB 2184 (Davies) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant C and Cal Grant 2

This bill, upon appropriation in the annual Budget Act for this purpose, would set, commencing with the 2025–26 award year, the maximum per-student Cal Grant C award amount to be no less than double the maximum per-student Cal Grant C award amount provided for the 2023–24 award year.



Financial Aid Legislation

AB 3015 (Ramos) Public postsecondary education: exemption from nonresident tuition and fees: federally recognized Indian tribes

This bill would entitle a student to resident classification only for the purpose of determining tuition and fees if the student is a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe, as defined, whose tribal land lies across the state border of California and Arizona, Nevada, or Oregon, and the student has a residence in the bordering state.

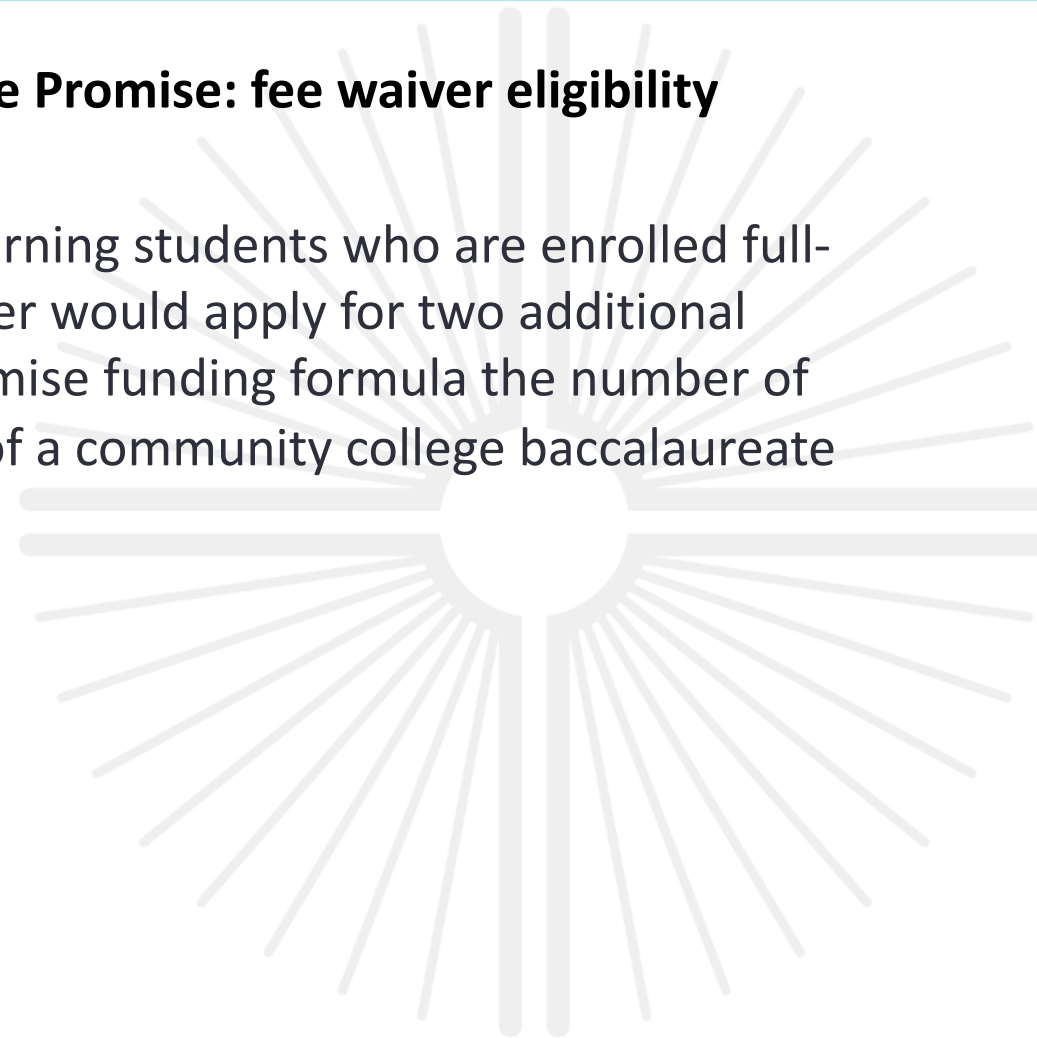
SB 971 (Portantino) Community colleges: exemption from nonresident tuition fee: resident of a region impacted by war or regional conflict

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

Financial Aid Legislation

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

Expands the California College Promise to first-time or returning students who are enrolled full-time in a CCC baccalaureate degree program. The fee waiver would apply for two additional academic years. The bill also would add to the College Promise funding formula the number of students who matriculate into upper division coursework of a community college baccalaureate degree program.



Student Services & Housing



Housing Legislation

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

The bill would prohibit each campus of the California State University, University of California, and the California Community Colleges from citing or otherwise penalizing a student attending its campus for using a vehicle as housing.

AB 2707 (M. Fong) Community colleges: student housing: study

Would require the Legislative Analyst's Office 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. The bill would require the Legislative Analyst's Office to submit a report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2027, with the results of the study, including policy recommendations, as specified.

Student Services Legislation

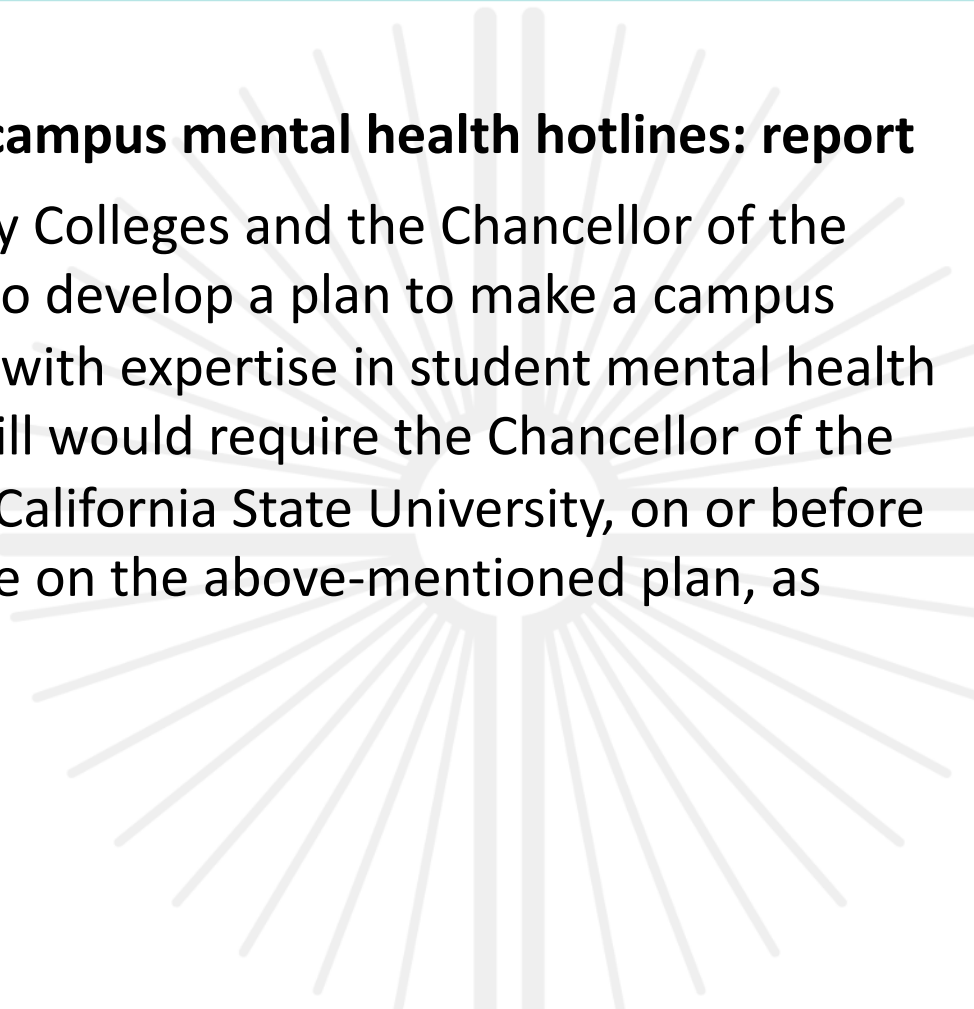
AB 2193 (Holden) Hazing: educational institutions: civil liability: resources

Would, beginning January 1, 2025, establish civil liability for an educational institution, which the bill would define as a public or private institution of higher education in the state, if (1) the institution has direct involvement in the hazing practices of the organization, knew or should have known of the hazing practices and failed to take reasonable steps to stop the hazing practices, or unreasonably failed to prevent or discover the hazing practices of the organization, and (2) the organization involved in the hazing is affiliated with the educational institution at the time of the alleged hazing incident.

Student Services Legislation

AB 456 (Maienschein) Public postsecondary education: campus mental health hotlines: report

Would require the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the California State University, on or before 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. The bill would require the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the California State University, on or before January 1, 2026, to each submit a report to the Legislature on the above-mentioned plan, as provided.




Bills on Collective Bargaining and Employees

Collective Bargaining Legislation

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

This bill would require community colleges to negotiate with the exclusive representative for part-time, temporary faculty. On the terms of the reemployment preference for part-time, temporary faculty assignments and the regular evaluation process for part-time, temporary faculty. The negotiation on reemployment preference for part-time, temporary faculty assignments would be based on the minimum standards up to the range of 80% to 85% of a full-time equivalent load.



Collective Bargaining Legislation

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

This bill would prohibit disciplinary action from being taken against a member of the permanent classified service for any action that arose before the employee became a member of the permanent classified service. Or for any cause that arose more than two years preceding the date of the filing of the notice of cause, unless the cause was concealed or not disclosed by the employee when it could be reasonably assumed that the employee should have disclosed the facts to the employing school district.

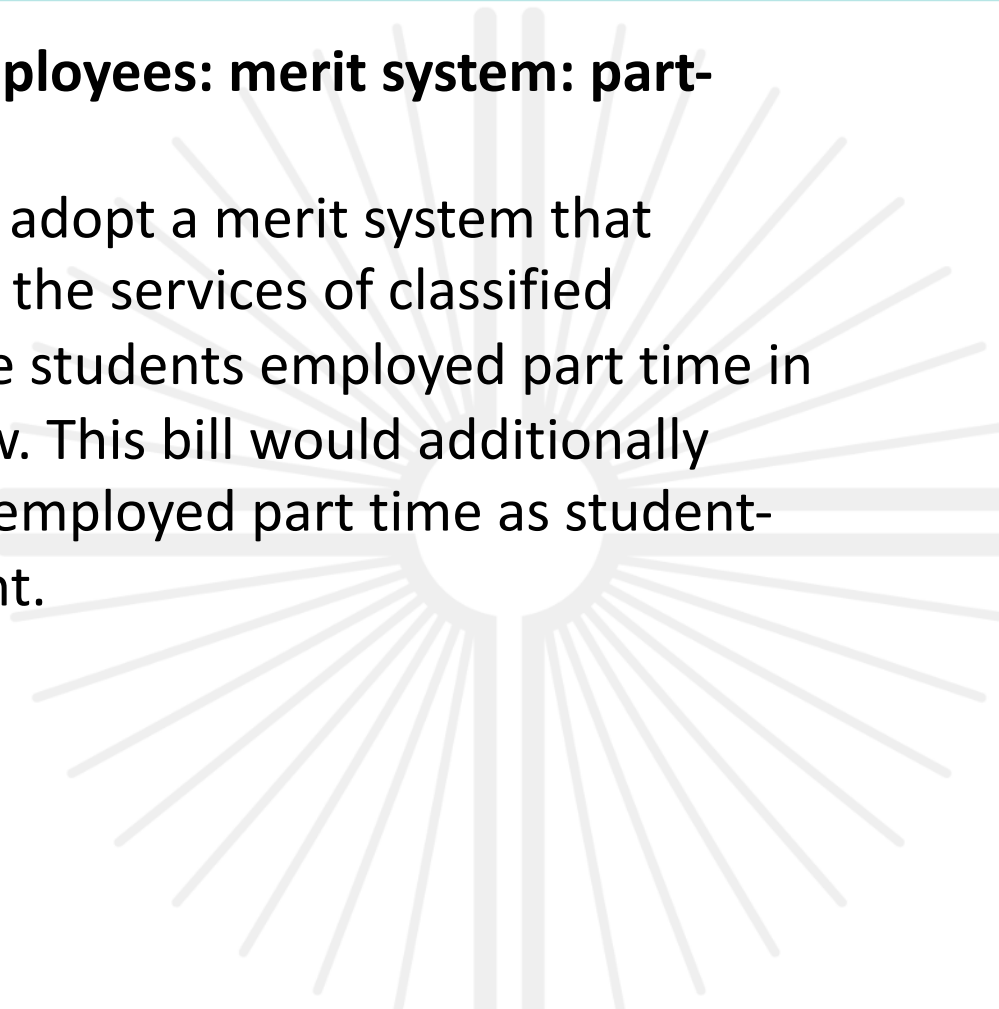
AB 2901 (Aguiar-Curry) School and community college employees: paid disability and parental leave

This bill would require an employee to have up to 14 weeks of a leave of absence with full pay because of pregnancy, miscarriage, childbirth, termination of pregnancy, or recovery from those conditions.

Student Employees Legislation

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

Current law authorizes a community college district to adopt a merit system that establishes how to employ, pay, and otherwise control the services of classified employees of the community college district. Part-time students employed part time in a college work-study program are exempt from this law. This bill would additionally exempt from the classified service part-time students employed part time as student-tutors by their community college district of enrollment.



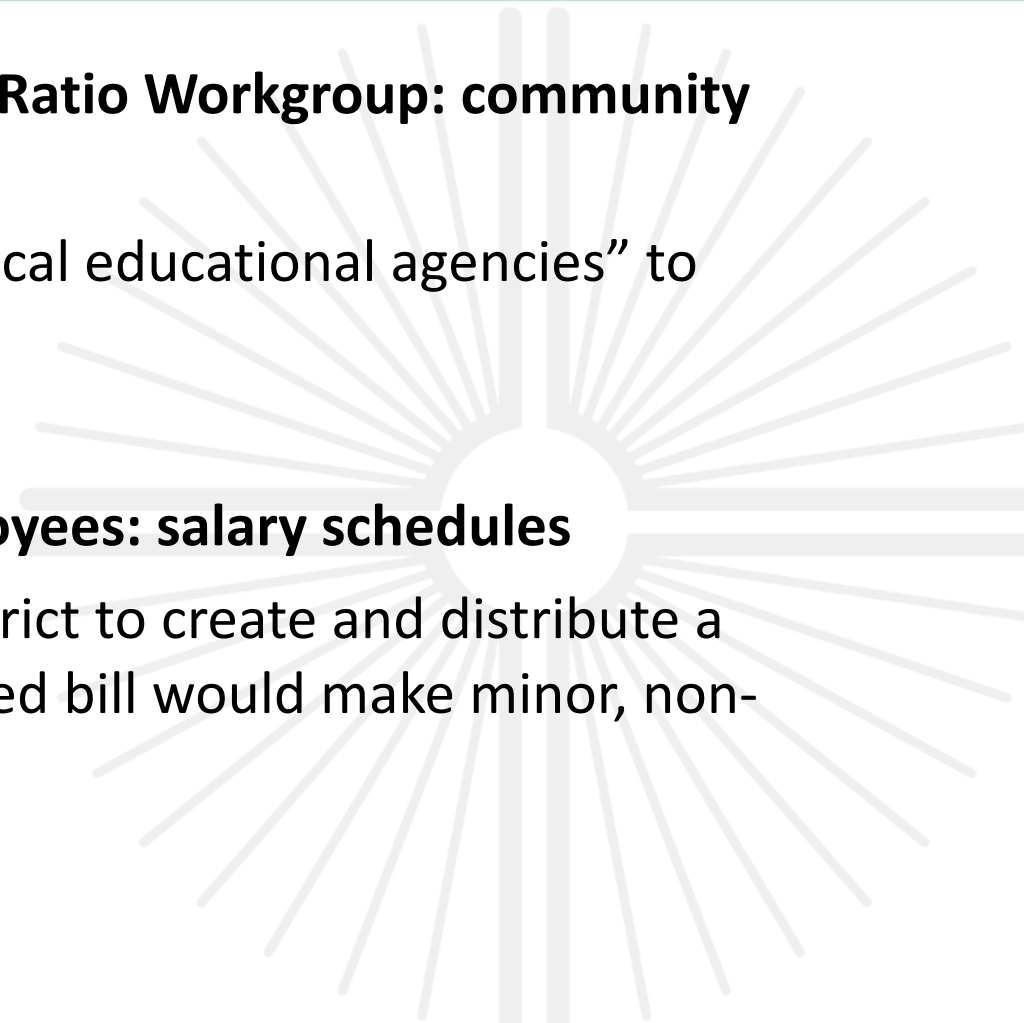
Employee Legislation

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

This bill would broaden the definition of “voluntary local educational agencies” to include community college districts.

SB 1039 (Wilk) Community colleges: academic employees: salary schedules

Existing law requires the governing board of each district to create and distribute a salary schedule for academic employees. This proposed bill would make minor, non-essential modifications to that particular provision.



Bills on Governance



Governance Legislation

AB 1142 (M. Fong) Postsecondary education: 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. The bill would provide that the commission is an independent state agency and advisory to the Governor, the Legislature, other appropriate government officials, and institutions of postsecondary education.



Questions?



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