Government Relations Webinar
October 17, 2023
Legislative Update
2023 Final Actions

- Signed into law (890) 85%
- Vetoed (156) 15%
Many of Gov. Newsom’s vetoes due to cost concerns

Reasons cited for Gov. Gavin Newsom’s vetoes, 2023 legislative session

- Cost: 64
- Unnecessary: 28
- Unintended consequences: 25
- Complicated implementation: 16
- Duplicative: 10
- Safety concerns: 7
- Premature: 5
- Other: 1

Note: For vetoes with multiple reasons cited, the more prominent reason was used.
Source: Gov. Newsom’s office
Eric He/POLITICO
Veto Message: Due to Cost

• This year, however, the Legislature sent me bills outside of this budget process that, if all enacted,
  • would add nearly $19 billion of unaccounted costs to the budget,
  • of which $11 billion would be ongoing.

• With our state facing continuing economic risk and revenue uncertainty, it is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications, such as this measure.
• Creates a new public awareness project that will consult with community leaders to promote California’s values of acceptance and inclusion of the LGBTQ+ community across the country.
• Ends California’s restriction on taxpayer-funded travel by state agencies and departments to states that have adopted discriminatory anti-LGBTQ+ laws.
• Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 199, Statutes of 2023.
AB 1699 (McCarty) K-14 Classified Employees

Would require local education agencies to offer any new part- or full-time classified assignments to existing classified employees before the assignment is publicly posted as long as the employee can reasonably perform the duties of the new job. If an unqualified employee is interested in the position but can become qualified before starting the position, schools and colleges would be required to provide it.

Position: OPPOSE

Location: Vetoed by the Governor

Governor’s Message:
While I support the author's goal of seeking to provide opportunities for current classified staff to apply for other open positions, this bill may have unintended consequences that are not in the best interest of students. Educational employers and classified staff already have the ability to bargain this issue, and many already have agreements that meet the goals of this bill. Unfortunately, this bill also prohibits future bargaining agreements from implementing their own locally determined process.
AB 299 (Holden) Hazing: Institutional Liability
Would make higher educational institutions, including community colleges, liable for hazing activities occurring within student body organizations affiliated with those institutions.

Position: **OPPOSE**

Location: Vetoed by the Governor

**Governor’s Message:**

*Hazing has no place in public or private institutions of higher education (IHE). I agree that IHEs that knowingly support hazing or fail to take reasonable steps to prevent hazing should be accountable. However, as drafted, this bill goes much further than that, creating expansive financial exposure even for IHEs that are taking appropriate steps to protect their students from hazing. I encourage the author to more clearly define when liability arises when IHEs have taken statutorily defined reasonable steps to prevent hazing.*
SB 433 (Cortese) Third Party Disciplinary Hearings
Removes the authority of a school or trustee board to discipline an employee, and instead, it gives the authority to a mutually agreed upon third party official. This is similar to a merit system of employee discipline.

Position: OPPOSE

Location: Vetoed by the Governor

Governor’s Message:
This could increase the number of appeals and would create significant costs for the State and must be considered in the annual budget in the context of all state funding priorities. In partnership with the Legislature, we enacted a budget that closed a shortfall of more than $30 billion through balanced solutions that avoided deep program cuts and protected education, health care, climate, public safety, and social service programs that are relied on by millions of Californians.
AB 91 (Alvarez) Exemption from Non-Resident Tuition: SDICCCA

Would exempt from the non-resident tuition fee a student who is a non-resident, low-income, and a resident of Mexico, who registers for lower division courses at a San Diego and Imperial Counties Community Colleges Association (SDICCCA) college and has residence within 45 miles of the California-Mexico border. Recent amendments require a reciprocity agreement between the BOG and a university located in the State of Baja California, Mexico.

**Position:** SUPPORT

**Location:** Signed by the Governor- Chapter 796, Statutes of 2023
AB 634 (Ward) CDCP Programs

Specifies that community college Career Development and College Preparation (CDCP) program courses and classes, for which credit is not given, are eligible for state funding if those courses are offered in both face-to-face and distance education instructional methods.

Position: SUPPORT

Location: Signed by the Governor- Chapter 450, Statutes of 2023
Signature Request

AB 1400 (Bryan) Community college student transfers: HBCUs
Would provide up to $5,000 financial aid scholarships to community college students who are transferring to Historically Black Colleges and Universities. For funding, would redirect current funds received through the College Access Tax Credit Fund.

Position: SUPPORT

Location: Signed by the Governor- Chapter 278, Statutes of 2023
AB 746 (Sanchez) Learning-Aligned Employment Program (LAEP)

Would remove the current LAEP provision that limits colleges to only allow on-campus employment to students in research positions. Instead, this bill allows colleges the ability to employ students in any job that will either: a) provide skill-building opportunities necessary for employment in the student's area of study; or, b) provide employment experience related to the student's major.

**Position:** SUPPORT

**Location:** Vetoed by the Governor

**Governor’s Message:**

*With $500 million committed to this program, it is an essential tool for increasing student awareness of career opportunities as well as developing skills for future career success. The provisions of this bill undermine the intent and purpose of the Learning-Aligned Employment Program.*
AB 1291 (McCarty) University of California Associate Degree for Transfer Pilot Program

Would create the University of California ADT Pilot Program, which commences with UCLA, then expands to at least 5 additional UCs. The program would be periodically reviewed with the Legislative Analyst’s Office (LAO).

Position: WATCH

Location: Signed by the Governor- Chapter 683, Statutes of 2023
For UCLA, requires:
1. By the 2026-27 academic year, UCLA must dedicate at least 8 majors to participate in the pilot program. Students transferring to UCLA within those majors who have earned an ADT will receive priority admission to UCLA.
2. By the 2028-29 academic year, 12 majors must be dedicated, and 4 of those 12 majors must be STEM.

For 5 Additional UCs, requires:
1. By the 2028-29 academic year, UC must designate at least 5 additional campuses to participate in the program. Campuses must declare at least 12 majors each and prioritize the admission of a student who earns an ADT. The 12 major minimum does not apply to UC Merced.

For all participating UC campuses:
1. The UC majors must align with the transfer model curricula from the select community colleges chosen by the campus.
2. Each UC campus can determine the appropriate admissions preference for a student who earns an ADT.
3. In the scenario where an ADT-earning student does not receive admission to the UC of their choice, they must be offered admission to another UC.
2024-25 Budget Advocacy
Preliminary General Fund agency cash receipts were $1.344 billion, or 11.1 percent, above the forecast of $12.158 billion in August.

As receipts from nearly all revenue sources exceeded the forecast:

- Personal income tax cash receipts were $416 million above the forecast of $7.298 billion in August.
- Corporation tax cash receipts were $102 million above the forecast of $384 million in August.
- Sales and use tax cash receipts were $441 million above the forecast of $3.557 billion in August.
Tax Deadline

• Tax day for 55 Counties was October 16
• Late in the morning of Oct 16
• IRS moved deadline to November 16
• 5:30 pm California announced that would align with new deadline
• Today was the largest single October collection day ever at FTB
• Despite IRS's last-minute extension of federal tax deadlines for most Californians to Nov. 16.
• After $2.33 billion of collections today, month-to-date collections at FTB total $7.70 billion (up 365% from the comparable Monday last October).
• Still a long way to go to hit the $44.9 billion total projected for this month.
• Some projected October #CABudget receipts may be delayed until November now.
• Additional big collection days are possible this week.
  • Jason Sisney
  • Assembly Speaker’s office
In May of 2023, LAO predicted a $30 billion revenue problem for 24-25 while also predicting an overall growth in school and community college funding around 4.6 percent annually.

Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) will release their forecast in November.

Legislative Budget Committee may release their vision for the year by the end of the year.
Fall Activity: Invite your delegation to campus

- Show them your campus
- Introduce them your students
- Highlight your accomplishment
- What do you need help with?
- Deferred maintenance and facility needs
Likely Priorities for the League

- Cost of Living Adjustment
- Pension obligation costs
- Financial aid reform
- Affordable student housing
Save the Date: 2024 Legislative Conference

2024 Annual Legislative Conference
Sunday, January 28th to Monday, January 29th
Sheraton Grand Hotel, Sacramento
Undocumented Student Action Week

IN-PERSON EVENT, 1-DAY CONFERENCE

• Monday, October 16th
• 9:30 am - 4:30 pm
• Fresno City College

VIRTUAL EVENT, 1-3 WEBINARS A DAY

• Tuesday, October 17th to Friday, October 20th
• League Webinar: Thursday, October 19th, 1 -2 PM
Questions?
Thank you!
Welcome to the CCLC Government Relations webinar. We will begin shortly.
Upcoming Events

Visit ccleague.org/events for details

• Annual Convention- November 16-18, 2023
  ◦ Indian Wells
  ◦ Registration deadline November 3

• Asilomar Leadership Skills Seminar- February 13-16, 2024
  ◦ Pacific Grove
  ◦ Registration deadline January 5

• Real College California Basic Needs Summit- December 8, 2023
  ◦ San Jose
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