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April: Focused on Policy Committees

Key Committees Hearings:

Assembly Higher Education Committee

- Tuesday, April 11th
- Tuesday, April 18th
- Tuesday, April 25th

Senate Education Committee

- Wednesday, April 12th
- Wednesday, April 19th
- Wednesday, April 26th



Focus: Is this proposal a GOOD idea?

Prior ACL Positions - OPPOSE

AB 260 (Santiago) Community Colleges: Part-Time Employees

Would require the ratio of pay for part-time faculty members to be equal to their full-time colleagues. This is a requirement upon receipt of funds allocated for student success categorical programs and thus would not be a reimbursable mandate.

ACL and CEO Board Position: OPPOSE

Location: Assembly Higher Education Committee – Hearing on April 18th.

AB 1190 (Irwin) Part-Time Faculty Office Hours

Originally this bill would have created a prescriptive formula on the number of office hours a college would be required to assign to a part-time faculty member. It recently took amendments that delete the above provisions and instead requires colleges to pay for part-time office hours in an equal ratio to full-time faculty members.

ACL and CEO Board Position: OPPOSE

Location: Assembly Higher Education Committee – Hearing on April 18th.

Prior ACL Positions - OPPOSE

AB 252 (Holden) Student Athlete Protection Act

Would create a regulatory agency empowered to investigate and manage California collegiate athletic practices related to student academic, mental, and physical health. Additionally, it mandates the creation of a degree completion fund for student-athletes that obtain an athletic scholarship.

ACL and CEO Board Position: OPPOSE

Location: Assembly Higher Education Committee – Hearing on April 18th.

Prior ACL Positions - OPPOSE

AB 299 (Holden) Hazing: Institutional Liability

Would make educational institutions, including community colleges, liable for hazing activities occurring within student body organizations, if the institution had direct involvement in or "should have known of" the hazing practices. To form a defense against the liability, the bill outlines specific anti-hazing measures that institutions can implement to show they acted to proactively prevent, discover, or stop the hazing.

ACL Position: OPPOSE

Location: Assembly Higher Education Committee – Hearing on April 18th.

April 11th Amendments:

- Narrows the specific anti-hazing measures institutions can have in place to show they acted proactively prevent, discover, or stop the hazing.
- Still maintains the civil liability.

Prior ACL Positions - SUPPORT

AB 358 (Addis) Field Act Exemption

Would exempt community college housing from the Field Act, which requires the Department of General Services to supervise the design and construction of school buildings, except upon request by the community college district.

ACL and CEO Board Position: SUPPORT

Location: Assembly Appropriations Committee

AB 610 (Holden) Transit Passes

Would create a free student transit program by awarding grants to transit agencies for the costs of creating, designing, developing, advertising, distributing, and implementing free transit passes to persons attending certain educational institutions, providing free transit service to holders of those passes.

ACL and CEO Board Position: SUPPORT

Location: Assembly Appropriations Committee

Prior ACL Positions - SUPPORT

AB 680 (Rubio) Non-Resident Tuition

Would create a new AB 540 pathway for community college students to qualify for in-state tuition at any California public college or university by (1) completing 60-semester units of credit or 90-quarter units of credit in a California community college or (2) attaining an associate degree for transfer.

ACL Position: SUPPORT

Location: Assembly Appropriations Committee

AB 1542 (M. Fong) BOG Member Compensation

Would increase the pay of each student member of the Board of Governors to \$4000 per semester via the Student Success Completion Grant.

ACL Position: SUPPORT

Location: Assembly Higher Education Committee – Hearing on April 18th.

Prior ACL Positions - SUPPORT

AB 634 (Ward) CDCP Programs

Would require CDCP courses to be funded via a positive attendance funding count or on a census date basis, depending on when and how often the course meets either in person or online.

ACL Position: SUPPORT

Location: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB 532 (Wiener) Enhanced Transparency for Local Tax Measures

Would enable local jurisdictions to provide enhanced information in the voter information guide rather than on the 75-word ballot label, which does not provide enough space for appropriate context and explanation, ultimately causing confusion among voters.

ACL Position: SUPPORT

Location: Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments – Hearing April 18th

Legislation: Governance

AB 1142 (M. Fong) CPEC 2.0

Would establish the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education in California, composed of five public members appointed by the Senate, Assembly, and Governor. Among other items, it would be empowered to:

- Set performance targets for enrollment and completion statewide and by region.
- Conduct a review of statewide and regional gaps in enrollment, completion, and other matters.
- Review and make recommendations on how to create efficiencies in cross-segmental cooperation.
- Evaluate how each segment is responding to the goals outlined by the Governor in the 2022-23 budget.

Location: Assembly Higher Education Committee – Likely hearing on April 25th.

Legislation: Academic Affairs

AB 506 (M. Fong) Ethnic Studies

Would require the CSU to collaborate with the Chancellor's Office and the CSU Council on Ethnic Studies to develop a process to approve community college ethnic studies courses as fulfilling CSU graduation requirements.

ACL Position: WATCH

AB 811 (M. Fong) Repeatability

Would increase the number of times a student may take a credit course for which they received a substandard grade up to five times. Students who received a satisfactory grade would be permitted to repeat a course up to at least three times for personal enrichment.

Legislation: Facilities

AB 247 (Muratsuchi) Education finance: school facilities: Kindergarten Through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2024.

Would place a school facilities bond of an unspecified amount on the ballot in 2024 for only K-12 and community colleges.

SB 28 (Glazer) Education finance: school facilities: Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2024.

Would place on the March 2024 ballot a bond of \$15.5 Billion. The CSU, UC, and CCC would each receive \$2 billion.

Legislation: Non-Resident Tuition

AB 91 (Alvarez) Exemption from Non-Resident Tuition: SDICCCA

Would exempt from the nonresident tuition fee a nonresident, low-income student who is a resident of Mexico, 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. The bill would, in any academic year, prohibit more than 200 students 150 FTES at each SDICCCA college from being exempted from payment of the nonresident tuition fee.

Question to consider: Should the League support bills such as AB 91, as a method of increasing enrollment?

New Bills: Health

AB 659 (Aguiar-Curry) Cancer Prevention Act

Would, among other items, declare that it is the public policy of the state that students who are 26 years of age or younger are expected to be fully immunized against HPV before first-time enrollment at an institution of the California State University, the University of California, or the California Community Colleges.

April 12th amendments: Removed the mandate that students must be vaccinated prior to enrollment.

AB 624 (Grayson) Disabled Student Services: Assessments

Would require the CSU, CCC, UC and private institutions to cover the costs of diagnostic assessments as proof for academic accommodations

New Bills: HBCU Transfer Students

AB 1400 (Bryan) Community College Transfers to Historically Black Colleges and Universities

Would provide up to a \$5000 financial aid scholarships to community college students who are transferring to Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Students must have completed an associate degree for transfer pathway and HBCUs must have an ADT MOU with the CCC Chancellor's Office. For funding purposes, would redirect current funds received through the College Access Tax Credit Fund.

Staff Recommendation: SUPPORT

New Bills: West Valley-Mission CCD

SB 629 (Cortese) West Valley-Mission Community College District

Would authorize the West Valley-Mission Community College District to adopt a policy that uses local unrestricted general funds to provide fee waivers to students with the greatest financial need when other fee waivers are not provided to those students. Funds can be used to assist students with addressing their total cost of attendance. Students who benefit from these funds must live in the community college district.

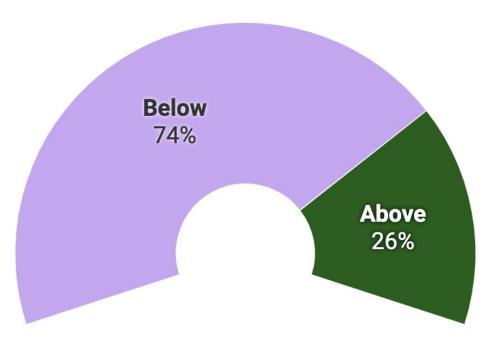
FYI: CCCCO has an "Oppose Unless Amended" position and suggests the following:

- The district must ensure that 100% of its students are completing FAFSA or California Dream Act Application (CADAA), to maximize the amount of financial aid they receive.
- The district has a fully staffed Basic Needs Center and is making measurable progress towards reducing food and housing insecurity.
- The Board of Governors may develop additional conditions and guidelines.



How Likely Are Revenues to Differ From Budget Projections?

Chances of big three (personal income, corporation, and sales) tax revenues coming in below or above Governor's Budget for 2022-23:



- Legislative Analyst's Office
- Updated 2022-23
- "Big Three" Revenue Outlook
- March 15, 2023

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How Much Could Revenues Differ From Budget Projections?

Our best guess is **\$5b below** Governor's Budget projections for 2022-23, but many outcomes are possible. The shaded area shows the most likely outcomes.

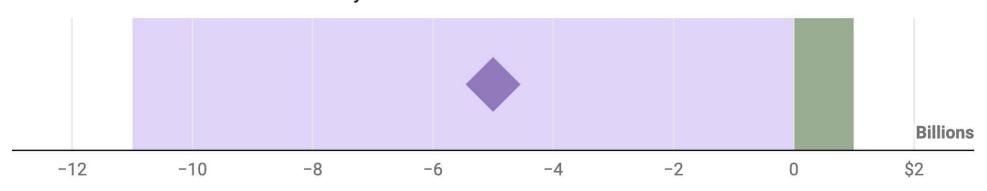


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New York Times, April 11, 2023 California Economy Is on Edge After Tech Layoffs and Studio Cutbacks California relies in large part on taxing the incomes of the wealthiest Californians

Alphabet, the parent company of Google, one of the state's most prominent corporations, <u>said in January</u> that it was cutting 12,000 workers worldwide,

Silicon Valley Bank, a key lender to tech startups, <u>collapsed</u> last month, sending the federal government scrambling to limit the fallout.

Disney, based in Burbank, announced in February that it would eliminate 7,000 jobs worldwide.

In March, the U.C.L.A. Anderson Forecast, suggested two possible scenarios — one in which a recession is avoided and another in which it occurs toward the end of this year.

"Even in our recession scenario we have a mild recession," said Jerry Nickelsburg, director of the Anderson Forecast.

California's economy is likely to be better off than the national one, according to the report, which cited increased demand for software and defense goods, areas in which California is a leader.

Mr. Nickelsburg also said the state's rainy-day fund was healthy enough to withstand the decline in tax revenues.

What we have heard

Revenues are down-Concerns about Tech layoffs and Bank run

COLA is top priority for Administration

As is Enrollment

Deferred Maintenance Vs. Enrollment is an ongoing conversation

Clarity is needed on flexibility for categoricals and reporting

Issues Discussed

Housing will need additional advocacy

- Asm McCarty not sure CCC is ready
- Asm Mike Fong encouraged active engagement

Senator Laird is focused on

- Enrollment
- Deferred Maintenance
- Housing

LAO

The 2023-24 Budget:

Student Housing

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Key LAO Recommendations

Policymakers shouldn't provide any funds for housing this year

Prioritize one-time revenues on renovating existing academic facilities

Use the state's ongoing financial aid programs to assist with nontuition costs

Any housing funds should focus on CSU and UC over CCC

The Legislature should focus on funding the revolving loan program

Issues Discussed

Issue of Stability

DOF analysis

Rebenching of Prop 98

- T-K
- •\$300 million impact



CCC Focused Budget Sub-Committees

ASM SUB #2 Hearing

20 Apr.

18 Apr.

SEN SUB #1 Hearing

Potential Queue of Housing Projects





