

## AB 2884 (Berman) Lottery Dollars

Would permit lottery dollars to be spent on student basic needs such as food and housing assistance.

Status: **Passed onto the Governor's Desk**

## SB 1173 (Durazo) Employee Info

Would permit the Public Employment Relations Board to assess penalties on public employers, including community colleges, if they do not send correct new and current employee contact information on a specified basis to their collective bargaining units.

Status: **Held in the State Assembly**

## SB 1232 (Glazer) CalWORKs

Would permit CalWORKs recipients at public universities to receive a \$500 per semester benefit to pay for books and permit them to request reimbursement for classroom-related expenses above the allocated \$500. Implementation of the bill is contingent on an appropriation via the state budget, which did not occur for 2020-21.

Status: **Passed onto the Governor's Desk**

As was stated before, many critical or high-profile bills were held back this year. It is important to note that they were held back due to the truncated legislative session, not due to fiscal or policy concerns. Thus, we expect a full legislative session once lawmakers come back to Sacramento in December and can expect the following areas to be hotly debated:

- Financial Aid Reform
- Student Basic Needs
- Access to Broadband
- Elimination of differential pay for faculty in favor of extended sick leave.
- Board of Registered Nursing sunset review.
- Ethnic Studies
- Police training curricula and local law enforcement practices.

Please see a full list of bills that would have impacted community colleges. Staff will provide a verbal update on actions, if any, taken by the Governor on our legislative package.

## [AB 302](#) • [Berman D](#)) Parking: homeless students.

**Current Text:** Amended: 8/30/2019 [html](#) [pdf](#)

**Current Analysis:** 09/03/2019 [Senate Floor Analyses \(text 8/30/2019\)](#)

**Is Fiscal:** Y

**Location:** 8/31/2020-S. DEAD

### Position

Oppose

### Subject

Community College  
Affordability

**CCLC Analysis:** Would mandate that community colleges open up their parking lots to homeless students to camp overnight in unless colleges provide hotel vouchers, rapid rehousing services, and housing-focused emergency grants. While the bill technically permits colleges to opt-out of the provisions around parking lots, the required services are prohibitively expensive and no district is currently qualified to opt-out. The bill, more importantly, do not include a proposal to explore a more substantive solution to the housing challenges students face. Additionally was amended to attempt to reduce a college's liability, but institutions would still be required to demonstrate a good faith effort to minimize risk to a student.

### Memo

Held due to shortened legislative calendar caused by the Coronavirus crisis.

**Agenda Item Details**

Meeting	Sep 25, 2020 - CEOCCC Board Meeting
Category	4. Legislation and Finance
Subject	4.3 State Legislation (Ryan McElhinney)
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**Public Content**

Marred by a State Senator who tested positive for COVID-19, technical difficulties and accusations of gamesmanship by each house, the legislative session came to a close late Monday evening last week. Among many other items, lawmakers passed bills that related to evictions, police reform and additional exemptions to the state law requiring classification of workers as employees.

The global pandemic had a significant impact on legislation relating to community colleges. By February roughly 100 bills had been introduced that impacted either our institutions or students. However, lawmakers were forced to scale back the number of bills they considered throughout the year and thus comparatively few bills were considered by state lawmakers in the final weeks of the legislative session. Below is list of bills that would impact our colleges that were debated in August and if they passed out of the state legislature. For a comprehensive list of all legislation that was introduced by lawmakers, click here: <https://ccleague.org/advocacy/bill-tracking>

**AB 70 (Berman) Conversation of For-Profit Institutions**

Would create a framework and guidelines in which the attorney general can approve a conversation of when a for-profit intuition can convert into a non-profit or public college or university.

Status: **Passed onto the Governor's Desk**

**AB 1460 (Weber) Ethnic Studies**

Would require the California State University make a three-unit ethnic studies course as a graduation requirement. The CSU has adopted an alternative ethnic studies requirement.

Status: **Signed into law.**

**AB 1759 (Salas) Liability Protections**

Would enhance liability protections from frivolous lawsuits related to COVID-19 infections for intuitions of higher education, including community colleges.

Status: **Held in the Senate Judiciary Committee**

**AB 2288 (Low) Nursing Programs**

Would provide more flexibility for nursing programs facing a reduction in clinical training hours due to the COVID-19 crisis.

Status: **Passed onto the Governor's Desk**

**AB 2416 (Gabriel) – Satisfactory Academic Progress**

Would require colleges to consider homelessness as a mitigating factor when considering appeals for students who fail to maintain satisfactory academic progress.

Status: **Passed onto the Governor's Desk**