Community College League Legislation Report, June 2, 2015

Bills of Interest: Passed House of Origin (still alive); Held in Hours of Origin (dead)

League-Sponsored Legislation:

AB 288 (Holden): College and Career Access Pathways - Would make it easier for community college and school districts to collaborate on concurrent enrollment programs. **Passed.**

SB 605 (Gaines) Nonresident Tuition Exemption for Nevada Students – Would establish a pilot program for Nevada residents in the Lake Tahoe area to pay in-state tuition at Lake Tahoe Community College. **Passed.**

League-Supported Legislation:

AB 200 (Alejo) Competitive Cal Grants – Would have increased the number of Cal Grants to 100,000 by 2017-2018. In order to gain committee approval, the number of Cal Grants was reduced to 50,000 – which is still double the current number of 22,500. **Passed.**

League-Opposed Legislation:

AB 1010 (Medina) Part-time Faculty – Would mandate seniority rights for part-time faculty. **Passed.**

AB 626 (Low) Community Colleges: Employees- Would have redirected community colleges to spend resources intended for student success and support to hiring full-time faculty. To gain committee approval, this bill has been amended to delete those provisions and instead would require stakeholders to adopt a plan to reach the 75 percent goal. **Passed.**

SB 373 (Pan) Full-Time Faculty Percentage. – Would have mandated that any new course sections that a college offers be taught by full-time faculty. **Held.**

Other Items Bills of Interest:

AB 968 (Williams) Postsecondary Education: Transcripts – Would require each system of higher education to note on a student's transcript that he/she has been suspended or expelled and the time period when/if that student is ineligible to re-enroll. **Passed.**

SB 42 (Liu) California Commission on Higher Education – Would create a governing body similar to the (former) California Postsecondary Education Commission. **Passed.**

SB 247 (Lara): Dream Centers: Educational Support Services – Would authorize community colleges to establish on-campus centers for providing support services to undocumented pupils. **Passed.**