

2016 Suspense File Outcome
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Measure	Author	Topic	Location	Position	CCLC Analysis	Passed	Amendments	Notes
AB 1449	Lopez (D)	Student financial aid: California Community College Transfer Cal Grant Entitlement Program.	SEN - Approps	Support	This bill would permit a California resident who does not have a high school diploma but is otherwise transfer ready to qualify for a Cal Grant transfer entitlement award.	Passed	Amended to delay the implementation date.	
AB 1594	McCarty (D)	Public postsecondary education: prohibition of using tobacco and smoking on campuses.	SEN - Approps	Watch	This bill would prohibit smoking or e-cigarettes at California's Community Colleges and the California State University.	Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	
AB 1653	Weber (D)	Postsecondary education: campus climate.	SEN - Approps	Watch	This bill would require the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, the Trustees of the California State University, and the governing body of each private postsecondary educational institution (and would encourage the Regents of the University of California) to each generate a report that includes information related to the institution's campus climate. The report must be posted on the institutions' website and submitted to the Legislature. The report would be required once every biennium of the legislative session, commencing with the 2017-18 legislative session.	Passed	Amended to delete the requirement to adopt policies.	
AB 1690	Medina (D)	Community colleges: part-time, temporary employees.	SEN - Approps	Oppose	This bill would mandate rehire rights for part-time faculty members who have: 1) Taught for six semesters. 2) Received positive performance reviews. 3) Had not rejected an offered course load assignment.	Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	This continues to be a League priority bill.
AB 1721	Medina (D)	Student financial aid: Cal Grant Program.	SEN - Approps	Sponsor	This bill would increase the number of competitive Cal Grant awards from 25,750 to 34,000. Four thousand of these awards were created by transferring unused Cal Grant C awards to the Cal Grant B program and will be reserved for community college students. Additionally the bill reduce the minimum program length (currently set at one year) to permit students in a CTE program that is at least four months in length to compete for half of these awards.	Held		League sponsored legislation.
AB 1726	Bonta (D)	Data collection.	SEN - Approps	Support if Amended	Similar to last year's AB 176 (Bonta), this bill would mandate that Chancellor's Office, among others, to collect student admission, enrollment, completion and graduation rates on various Asian and Pacific Islander groups. In addition to the 11 Asian ethnic groups the system tracks, this bill would mandate that community colleges track the following ethnic groups: Bangladeshi, Hmong, Indonesian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Taiwanese, Thai, Fijian and Tongan. This bill would implement the College Promise Innovation Grant Program for which \$15 million was allocated in the 2016-17 budget. The bill is based on the Long Beach Promise. The bill would require a local promise program to include the following: o Partnership with K-12 district -Support high school preparation for college through small learning communities, concurrent enrollment & other proven initiatives -Utilize placement and assessment indicators that include multiple measures of student performance, including grades in high school courses, overall grade point averages, results from common assessments and input from counselors o Provide access to full-time course schedules o Provide outreach to students regarding ADT and the transfer entitlement program o Partnership with one or more public higher education institution	Passed	Amended to delay the implementation date.	
AB 1741	Rodriguez (D)	California College Promise Innovation Grant Program.	SEN - Approps	Support		Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	
AB 1778	Quirk (D)	Postsecondary education: sexual assault and sexual violence training.	SEN - Approps	Support	This bill would require the governing boards of each community college district, the Trustees of the California State University, the University of California and the governing boards of independent postsecondary institutions, in order to receive state funds for student financial assistance, to conduct annual training of their respective employees on the employee's obligations in responding to and reporting incidents of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking involving students.	Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	
AB 1837	Low (D)	Postsecondary education: Office of Higher Education Performance and Accountability.	SEN - Approps	Support if Amended	This bill would establish the Office of Higher Education Performance and Accountability as the statewide postsecondary education coordination and planning entity. The bill would specify the functions and responsibilities of the office which include the identification and periodic revision of state goals and priorities for higher education, reviewing and making recommendations regarding cross-segmental and interagency initiatives and programs, advising the Legislature and the Governor regarding the need for, and the location of, new institutions and campuses of public higher education, acting as a clearinghouse for postsecondary education information and as a primary source of information for the Legislature and the Governor, and reviewing all proposals for changes in eligibility pools for admission to public institutions and segments of postsecondary education.	Held		

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AB 1846	Lopez (D)	Adult Education Block Grant Program: report.	SEN - Approps	Watch	This bill would appropriate \$250 million every fiscal year from the General Fund to the California Community Colleges and the State Department of Education for ongoing support of the adult education consortium program. Currently, the Adult Education Block Grant receives an appropriation of \$500 million, which is allocated through a regional consortia structure.	Held		
AB 1914	Bonilla (D)	Public postsecondary education: academic materials: textbooks: access codes.	SEN - Approps	Watch	This bill would add a provision that requires the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges and the Trustees of the California State University to adopt policies for their respective segments regarding when it is acceptable for a faculty member to require students to purchase a textbook access code. Currently, an existing chapter of the Master Plan relates to the use of academic materials and provides that a court of jurisdiction is authorized to grant relief that is necessary to enforce the provisions of this chapter, including through the issuance of an injunction.	Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	
AB 1985	Williams (D)	Advanced Placement credit.	SEN - Approps	Support if Amended	This bill would require the California Community Colleges to develop, and each community college district to adopt, a uniform policy for awarding college course credit to a student who passes an Advanced Placement exam in a course of similar subject matter.	Passed	Timeline revised from fall 2016 to Fall 2017.	The amendments address most of the League's concerns.
AB 1995	Williams (D)	Community colleges: homeless students: access to shower facilities.	SEN - Approps	Concern	This bill would require community colleges that have shower facilities to grant access to those facilities for enrolled students who are homeless, but give districts discretion regarding the hours of operation, provisions for student safety, the minimum number of units a student must be enrolled in to use the facilities and other provisions ameliorating the fiscal impact of the program on the community college district.	Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	
AB 2009	Lopez (D)	Student support services: Dream Resource Liaisons.	SEN - Approps	Watch	This bill would require each community college to designate a staff person as a Dream Resource Liaison who is knowledgeable in available financial aid, services, and academic opportunities for all students who qualify to attend the college under the Dream Act.	Held		
AB 2017	McCarty (D)	College Mental Health Services Program.	SEN - Approps	Support	Would appropriate \$40 million from Proposition 63 funds to create a competitive grant program to fund mental health services at public colleges.	Passed	Amendments stripped out the \$40 Million appropriation from Prop. 63 funds.	
AB 2018	Ridley-Thomas (D)	Mandated Child Abuse Reporting Employee Training Act of 2016.	SEN - Approps	Watch	This bill would establish the Mandated Child Abuse Reporting Employee Training Act of 2016, which would require the board of governors, in consultation with the Office of Child Abuse Prevention in the State Department of Social Services, (1) to develop and disseminate information to each employee and administrator of a community college district who are mandated reporters, regarding the detection and reporting of child abuse, (2) to provide statewide guidance on the responsibilities of mandated reporters, and (3) to develop appropriate means of instructing these employees and administrators in the detection of child abuse and neglect and the proper action that they should take in suspected cases.	Held		
AB 2155	Ridley-Thomas (D)	Teachers: retirement: full time.	SEN - Approps	Oppose	The Teachers' Retirement Law requires each collective bargaining agreement or employment agreement to specify the number of hours of creditable service that equals full time. This bill would require each collective bargaining agreement or employment agreement to specify the courses for which instructors are subject to the 875-hour requirement for any agreement entered into, extended, renewed, or amended on or after January 1, 2017.	Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	
AB 2222	Holden (D)	Transit Pass Program: free or reduced-fare transit passes.	SEN - Approps	Support	Would appropriate \$50 Million to subsidize transit passes for students in K-12 and public higher education institutions.	Held		
AB 2251	Stone, Mark (D)	Student loan servicers: licensing and regulation: Student Loan Servicing Act.	SEN - Approps	Watch	This bill would establish the Student Loan Borrowers' Bill of Rights, which would require student educational loan servicers to provide each of their student loan borrowers in this state with:	Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	
AB 2308	R. Hernández (D)	Health care coverage: information to students.	SEN - Approps	Support if Amended	1) Reliable information about the borrower's loan and repayment options. 2) Quality customer service and fair treatment. 3) meaningful access to federal affordable repayment and loan forgiveness benefits available to the borrower. This bill would establish the California Health Care Coverage Enrollment Assistance Act of 2016 to provide uninsured students of the California State University and the California Community Colleges with information about health care coverage options and enrollment assistance commencing with the 2017-18 academic year. Under this bill, commencing with the 2017-18 academic year, each campus of the California State University and the California Community Colleges shall identify its uninsured students and offer these students contact information for local entities to provide health care enrollment assistance. Additionally, each campus would have to offer uninsured students information about health care coverage options.	Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	
AB 2364	Holden (D)	Public postsecondary education: community colleges: exemption from nonresident tuition.	SEN - Approps	Support	This bill would exempt a student, other than a nonimmigrant alien from paying nonresident tuition at the California State University and the California Community Colleges if that student is currently a California high school student enrolled in a concurrent enrollment or dual enrollment program. The bill would allow these students to be reported by a community college district as a full-time equivalent student for apportionment purposes.	Passed		This continues to be a League priority bill.

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AB 2494	R. Hernández (D)	Veteran Resource Centers Grant Program.	SEN - Approps	Support	<p>This bill would establish the Veteran Resource Centers Grant Program, which would authorize the governing board of a community college district and a community college campus at which a veterans resource center has been or is intended to be established to jointly apply to the chancellor for a grant in order to provide resources to veterans and active duty members of the Armed Forces enrolled at the campus. The bill would establish the Veteran Resource Centers Grant Fund in the State Treasury.</p> <p>This bill would mandate specific metrics to meet for colleges to participate in the Chafee grant program, which awards financial aid grants to foster youth. It exempts institutions that have less than 40% of their students taking out federal loans therefore, no California community colleges will need to meet the metrics below to participate in the Chafee program.</p>	Held		
AB 2506	Thurmond (D)	Student financial aid: Chafee grant awards.	SEN - Approps	Watch	<p>Specifically it would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Require an institution’s three-year cohort default rate is less than 15.5%. • Require a graduation rate of 30% or more for students taking 150% or less of the expected time to complete a degree. 	Passed	Amended to remove the entitlement award.	
AB 2822	Chiu (D)	Student financial aid: community college students: emergency financial assistance.	SEN - Approps	Watch	<p>This bill would authorize college foundations to establish emergency financial assistance grants to students to overcome unforeseen financial challenges such as immediate need for food or shelter. This bill would define “emergency assistance” as financial support in the form of financial assistance to support a student to help overcome unforeseen financial challenges so that the student can continue his or her course of study.</p>	Passed	Amended to encourage foundations to explore the creation of emergency grants with private funds.	The League moved from concern to watch after the amendments.
AB 2835	Cooper (D)	Public employees: orientation and informational programs: recognized employee organizations.	SEN - Approps	Watch	<p>Current law, including the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act, the Ralph C. Dills Act, the Trial Court Employment Protection and Governance Act, the Trial Court Interpreter Employment and Labor Relations Act, and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Transit Employer-Employee Relations Act, as well as provisions commonly referred to as the Educational Employment Relations Act and the Higher Education Employer-Employee Relations Act, regulates the labor relations of the state, the courts, and specified local public agencies and their employees. This bill would require the public employers regulated by the acts described above to provide newly hired employees, as defined, a specified public employee orientation within 2 months of hiring.</p>	Passed	Amended to reduce costs.	The League will move to an oppose position.
SB 1314	Block (D)	Cal Grant Program: Middle Class Scholarship Program: community college baccalaureate degree program students.	ASM - Approps	Support	<p>This bill would clarify that a student enrolled in one of the 15 baccalaureate degree pilot programs at a California community college could qualify for a Cal Grant A, the Middle Class Scholarship or the Cal Grant A Transfer Entitlement Award if he or she met all of the other eligibility requirements.</p>	Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	This continues to be a League priority bill.
SB 1359	Block (D)	Public postsecondary education: course materials.	ASM - Approps	Support	<p>This bill would require each campus of the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and would request each campus of the University of California, to identify in each published schedule of classes, the estimated total cost of required textbooks and other required educational materials for each course offered by the campus. Currently, the College Textbook Transparency Act, requires each campus bookstore at any public postsecondary educational institution to post in its store or on its website a disclosure of the retail price policy on new and used textbooks.</p>	Passed	No amendments taken in appropriations.	This continues to be a League priority bill.