



## UC Davis State Government Relations Update March 1, 2016

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### Legislation

**AB 1653 (Weber)** passed out of the Assembly Higher Education Committee. The bill would encourage UC and requires CSU, CCC, and private postsecondary educational institutions to each generate a biennial campus climate report as specified, post it on its Website, and submit it to the Governor, Attorney General, and appropriate legislative policy committees. SGR Legislative Director Nadia Leal-Carrillo testified that the University does not currently have a formal position on the bill but look forward to working with the author on the bill.

**AB 1707 (Linder)** passed out of the Assembly Judiciary Committee. The bill would require a response to a request for public records to be in writing regardless of whether the request was in writing, and for that written response to additionally include a list containing the title or other identification of each record requested but withheld due to an exemption and the specific exemption applicable to that record. The University's position on the bill is pending.

**AB 1711 (McCarty)** failed to pass out of the Assembly Higher Education Committee. Reconsideration was granted. The bill would restrict the University's nonresident enrollment. The University has a Concern position on the bill.

**AB 1747 (Weber)** passed out of the Assembly Human Services Committee. The bill would require, as a condition of participation in the Cal Grant Program, each public and private postsecondary educational institution to ensure that surcharge-free transactions are accessible on each campus through the EBT system. The University's position on the bill is pending.

**AB 1778 (Quirk)** passed out of the Assembly Higher Education Committee. The bill would require UC, CSU and CCC, in order to receive state funds for student financial assistance, to conduct annual

employee training, in addition to the current required trauma-informed training, on the employee's obligations in responding to and reporting incidents of sexual assault, domestic/dating violence, and stalking involving students. The University's position on the bill is pending.

**AB 1823 (Bonilla)** passed out of the Assembly Health Committee. The bill would provide for the establishment of the California Cancer Clinical Trials Program and requests that UC designate a nonprofit organization as the program administrator governed by a board of at least 5 members appointed by the president of the university. The University has an Amend position on the bill.

**AB 1989 (Jones)** passed out of the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee. The bill would create a grant and low-interest loan program for water projects that result in the net reduction of water-related greenhouse gas emissions. The University's position on the bill is pending.

**AB 2269 (Waldron)** passed out of the Assembly Judiciary Committee. The bill would prohibit a person or animal shelter entity that accepts animals from the public or takes in stray or unwanted animals from selling, giving, or otherwise transferring a living animal to a research facility or animal dealer; and prohibits a research facility from procuring, purchasing, receiving, accepting, or using a living animal for the purpose of medical or biological teaching, research, or study, or any other kind of experimentation, if that animal is transferred from, or received from, an animal shelter. The University's position on the bill is pending.

**SB 3 (Leno)** passed off of the Assembly and Senate floors and was signed by the Governor. The bill would increase the minimum wage to \$15/hour. The University's position on the bill is pending.

**SB 959 (Lara)** passed out of the Senate Education Committee. The bill would modify the Public Contract Code to prohibit UC from entering into a contract for goods and services valued at more than \$100,000 if the compensation a bidder pays its employees is more than 5 percent below the average per-employee compensation, including benefits, for UC employees who perform comparable work. SGR Legislative Director Jason Murphy and UC Associate Vice President and Chief Procurement Officer Bill Cooper testified in opposition to the bill.

**SB 1006 (Wolk)** passed out of the Senate Education Committee with amendments. The bill declares legislative intent that UC establish the California Firearm Violence Research Center to research firearm-related violence. The University's position on the bill is pending.

The following link provides a complete list of all the bills we are tracking; [UC Significant Impact Legislation](#).

### **Statewide Reports**

On Tuesday, March 29, the California State Auditor released a report on an audit of the University of California's enrollment, executive compensation, and budget. The report and supplemental information is available at <https://www.auditor.ca.gov/reports/recent>.

On Thursday, March 10, State Controller Betty Yee released her monthly report of the state's cash balance, receipts, and disbursements made for February 2016. "February state revenues exceeded projections in Governor Jerry Brown's proposed 2016-17 budget by \$439.1 million, with the personal income tax and the corporation tax both beating forecasts." The report is available at [http://www.sco.ca.gov/Files-ARD-Local/LocRep/08\\_February\\_2016.pdf](http://www.sco.ca.gov/Files-ARD-Local/LocRep/08_February_2016.pdf).

### **Assembly Floor Leadership and Committee Membership Changes**

On Thursday, March 10, Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon, D-Paramount, announced committee membership changes and floor leadership team changes. Floor leadership changes are below:

Speaker pro Tempore – Assemblymember Kevin Mullin (D-South San Francisco)  
Assistant Speaker pro Tempore – Assemblymember Autumn R. Burke (D-Inglewood)  
Majority Floor Leader – Assemblymember Ian C. Calderon (D-Whittier)  
Assistant Majority Floor Leader – Assemblymember Jim Cooper (D-Elk Grove)  
Majority Whip – Assemblymember Miguel Santiago (D-Los Angeles)  
Democratic Whip – Assemblymember Nora Campos (D-San Jose)  
Assistant Majority Whip – Assemblymember Evan Low (D-Silicon Valley)  
Democratic Caucus Chair – Assemblymember Mike A. Gipson (D-Carson)

Committee membership changes can be found at the following website;

<http://asmdc.org/speaker/news-room/press-releases/speaker-rendon-announces-committee-changes>

### **Upcoming State Government Relations Events and Key Dates**

- April 22 – UC GRAD SLAM – San Francisco
- April 22 – Last day for policy committees to hear and report to fiscal committees fiscal bills.
- May 6 – Last day for policy committees to hear and report to the floor non-fiscal bills.
- May 10 – UC Innovation Day in Sacramento
- May 13 – Last day for policy committees to meet prior to June 6th.
- May 27 – Last day for fiscal committees to hear and report to the floor bills introduced in their house. Last day for fiscal committees to meet prior to June 6th.
- May 30 – Memorial Day observed.
- May 31 – June 3 – Floor session only.

### **Questions or Need Assistance?**

If you have any questions regarding the aforementioned items or would like assistance in connecting with state legislators and/or their staff, please do not hesitate to contact Adrian Lopez, Director, State Government Relations. He can be reached at [adnlopez@ucdavis.edu](mailto:adnlopez@ucdavis.edu) or by phone at (530) 752-9795.