



UC Davis State Government Relations Update April 2017

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Legislation

Below is a summary on actions taken on some of the bills the University is tracking.

AB 963 (Gipson) passed out of the Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee. The bill would require the State Controller to disburse \$10M to a public university or universities in California annually to research and evaluate the implementation and effect of the Control, Regulate and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act, and \$2M annually to the UCSD Center for Medicinal Cannabis Research to further the objectives of the center including the enhanced understanding of the efficacy and adverse effects of marijuana as a pharmacological agent. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 546 (Hill) passed out of the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee. The bill would require that each time a veterinarian prescribes, administers, dispenses, or furnishes a dangerous drug or prescription medicine, unless in conjunction with surgery during an anesthetic procedure or emergency services, the veterinarian offer to provide the client with a consultation that includes specified information. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 453 (Limon) passed out of the Assembly Higher Education Committee. The bill would require CSU and CCC and encourages UC to designate as a "hungry free campus" each of its respective campuses that meet specified criteria and provides that each campus that receives the designation shall receive a funding incentive. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1435 (Gonzalez) passed out of the Assembly Higher Education Committee. The bill would establish the Athlete Protection Act for the protection of college or university athletes participating in intercollegiate athletic programs offered by institutions of higher education located in California. The University is opposed to the bill.

AB 1622 (Low) passed out of the Assembly Higher Education Committee. The bill would require the CCC and CSU and requests UC to designate a Dream Resource Liaison on each of their respective campuses

to assist students meeting specified requirements, including undocumented students, by streamlining access to all available financial aid and academic opportunities for those students. The University has a support position on this bill.

SB 169 (Jackson) passed out of the Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill would require the appropriate governing board or body of each higher education institution that receives state funds for student financial assistance to, as a condition of receiving that financial assistance, adopt regulations to implement at their respective higher education institutions the federal Title IX regulations. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 290 (Jackson) passed out of the Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee. The bill would Require the Wildlife Health Center at the Davis campus of the University of California to provide grants to qualified organizations, as defined, that respond to marine mammal or sea turtle entanglement or stranding emergencies. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 472 (Nielsen) passed out of the Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill would enact the Campus Free Expression Act to declare that the outdoor areas of public postsecondary institutions are traditional public forums and that institutions may maintain and enforce reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions in service of a significant institutional interest only when those restrictions employ clear, published, content-neutral and viewpoint-neutral criteria, and provide for ample alternative means of expression. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 573 (Lara) passed out of the Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill would require CSU and CCC and requests UC to develop and ensure that each of their respective campuses implement a service learning program for students with financial need who are exempt from paying nonresident tuition under a certain provision of law. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 276 (Medina) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would request UC, CSU, CCC and independent institutions of higher education to complete a report that evaluates the current state of cyber security education and training programs, including specified information about those programs, offered at UC, CSU, CCC, and independent institutions of higher education to determine the best method of educating and training college students to meet the current demand for jobs requiring cyber security knowledge and experience. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 461 (Muratsuchi) was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee suspense file. The bill would amend the Revenue & Taxation Code to add two federal loan forgiveness programs to the statute that exempts forgiven amounts of certain federal student loans from state income tax. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 616 (Aguilar-Curry) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill, sponsored by UC, would authorize the COSMOS program to increase tuition by 5 percent each year by extending the tuition sunset date for another 5 years.

AB 848 (McCarty) passed out of the Assembly Accountability and Administrative Review Committee. The bill would prohibit UC and CSU from contracting for services with a contractor or subcontractor, where that contract displaces a career employee of the University of California or the California State University, unless that contractor or subcontractor certifies under penalty of perjury in his or her bid for

that contract that the contract, and any subcontract performed under that contract, will be performed solely with workers within the United States. The University has a Concern position on the bill.

AB 1655 (Grayson) was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee suspense file. The bill express legislative intent to ensure that the Legislature has accurate information upon which to base funding decisions relating to UC, requires that reported amounts be based on publicly available information from prior year actual expenditures, and changes the biennial submission inoperative date to January 1, 2023. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 307 (Nguyen) the passed out of Senate Education Committee. The bill would Requests UC to convene a task force of UC, CSU, and CCC representatives to conduct a study on housing insecurity and homelessness of current postsecondary students and prospective applicants. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 382 (Pan) passed out of the Senate Health Committee. The bill would create the California Mosquito Surveillance and Research Program Account to fund California-based surveillance and research on mosquitoes. Appropriates \$2M GF and requires that \$1.5M that money be used to fund the California Vectorborne Disease Surveillance System, known as CalSurv, to perform specified functions. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 396 (Lara) passed out of the Senate Health Committee. The bill would request UC to develop and implement a California Medical Residency Training Pilot Program for students who meet requirements for receiving an exemption from nonresident tuition, and exempts related student personal information from the Public Records Act and disclosure outside of the program. SGR Legislative Director Angela Gilliard testified that the University has concerns with the bill.

SB 674 (Allen) passed out of the Senate Banking and Financial Institutions Committee. The bill would revise qualified borrower eligibility for the California Student Loan Refinancing Program by including individuals who have completed a graduate/professional degree, eliminating the ability to repay requirement, updating employment requirements, and requiring active loan status and compliance with any other requirement determined by the authority. Establishes the California Student Loan Refinancing Program Fund. The University has a Neutral position on the bill.

SB 769 (Hill) passed out of Senate Education Committee. The bill would expand the statewide baccalaureate degree pilot program by extending operation until 7/1/28, no longer requiring a student to complete a degree by the end of 2022-23, increasing the maximum number of programs to 30, and allowing a district to offer a program/curricula that is already offered by UC or CSU if it is not within 100 miles of UC's or CSU's program/curricula. UC is opposed to the bill.

For a complete list of bills the University is tracking please go to the following link; [UC Significant Impact Bills](#)

Resolutions



On April 20th Senator Bill Dodd recognized King Hall's Immigration Law Clinic and the UC Immigrant Legal Services Center on the Senate Floor for the tremendous work they do serving immigrants in need on a pro bono basis. Senator Dodd presented both entities with resolutions and commended both the clinic and center for their contributions to the state and its immigrant communities.

Similarly on April 24th the UC Davis Men's and Women's Basketball Teams were both honored for their highly successful 2016-17 seasons, which saw the men's program make it to the NCAA Tournament for the first time ever and the women reaching the Sweet 16 of the NIT. Joint resolutions from Senator Dodd and Assemblywoman Aguiar-Curry were presented to both teams on the Senate and Assembly Floors of the California Legislature.



Upcoming State Government Relations Events and Key Dates

- May 12 Last day for policy committees to hear and report to the floor nonfiscal bills.
- May 19 Last day for policy committees to meet prior to June 5.
- May 26 Last day for fiscal committees to hear and report bills to the floor. Last day for fiscal committees to meet prior to June 5.
- May 29 Memorial Day observed.
- May 30-June 2 Floor Session only. No committee may meet for any purpose except for Rules Committee and Conference Committees.

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 or by phone at (530) 752-9795.