



## UC Davis State Government Relations Update August 2016

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### Legislation

August 31<sup>st</sup> was the last day for each house to pass bills in this 2015-16 two year legislative cycle. Final recess began upon adjournment and the legislature will not reconvene until after the 2016 Presidential Elections. The Governor has until September 30<sup>th</sup> to either sign or veto bills, and has acted on some already. Below is a sampling of some of the bills of interest to UC and UC Davis that have either made it to the Governor's desk or have been signed into law during this past month.

**AB 735 (Ridley-Thomas)** was signed by the Governor. The bill deletes the repeal date of the Student Athlete Bill of Rights, thereby extending the rights for student athletes indefinitely.

The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on **AB 801 (Bloom)**. The bill would enact the Success for Homeless Youth in Higher Education Act. The University has a Support position on the bill.

The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on **AB 969 (Williams)**. The bill would require, until 1/1/22, in order to receive state funds for student financial assistance, CCC, CSU, UC, and the governing board of each independent postsecondary institution to report, on or before 10/1/18, and on an annual basis thereafter, specified data relating to cases of alleged sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. The University's position on the bill is pending.

**AB 1577 (Eggman)** passed off the Senate Floor. The bill would establish the Public Higher Education Pantry Assistance Program Account in the Emergency Food Assistance Program Fund, and requires that moneys in the account, upon legislative appropriation, be allocated to food banks that support on-campus pantry and hunger relief efforts serving low-income students. The University's position on the bill is pending.

The Senate concurred in Assembly amendments on **AB 1624 (Assembly Budget Cmte)**. The bill would extend UC's ability to utilize "best value" procedures for the procurement of goods and services until 1/1/19 and makes the deadline for the reports regarding the UC use of best value procurement on or before 1/1/18. The University's position on the bill is pending.

**AB 1653 (Weber)** passed off the Senate Floor. The bill would encourage each UC campus and require CSU, CCC, and independent institutions of higher education to 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 and also encourage UC, and require CSU, CCC, and independent institutions of higher education to create, review every 2 years thereafter, and, as necessary, update protocols, policies, and procedures for compliance with the Jeanne Clery and Violence Against Women Reauthorization Acts. The University's position on the bill is pending.

**AB 1654 (Santiago)** was signed by the Governor. The bill requires Department of Justice to provide guidance to UC, CSU, CCC, and public/private higher education institutions regarding compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act and Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act. The University did not take a position on the bill.

**AB 1726 (Bonta)** passed off the Senate Floor. The bill would require UC, CSU, CCC, and Departments of Public Health and Health care Services to use additional separate collection categories and other tabulations for specified Asian and Pacific Islander groups. Would not apply categorization requirements to UC graduate and professional school demographics. The University has a Support position on this bill.

The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on **AB 1823 (Bonilla)**. The bill would provide for establishment of the California Cancer Clinical Trials Program and requests that UC establish or designate an institute or office within the university to administer the program, governed by a board authorized to solicit funds from various specified sources and required to, upon receipt by the program administrator of at least \$500,000, establish a related grant program to increase patient access to eligible cancer clinical trials in underserved or disadvantaged communities and populations. The University has a Support position on the bill.

The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on **AB 1914 (Bonilla)**. The bill would require UC and CSU campus academic senates, in collaboration with students and administrators, to develop policies regarding required academic materials in order to encourage efforts to reduce redundancy in the delivery of academic materials, including, but not necessarily limited to, textbooks, as defined, and access codes. The University has an Amend position on the bill.

**AB 2009 (Lopez)** passed off the Senate Floor. The bill would request UC, and requires CSU and CCC, 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 the bill.

The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on **AB 2017 (McCarty)**. The bill would require the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission to create a grant program for public community colleges, colleges, and universities for purposes of improving access to mental health services on those campuses. The University has a Neutral position on the bill.

**AB 2137 (Santiago)** was signed by the Governor. The bill requests UC to submit annual reports, on or before March 1 in each year from 2017 to 2022, inclusive, on specified topics relating to community college student transfers to UC. The University has Neutral position on the bill.

The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on **AB 2164 (O'Donnell)**. The bill would prohibit UC/Hastings, CSU, and CCC from collecting mandatory systemwide tuition and fees from the surviving spouse/child of a person who died resulting from an industrial injury/illness arising out of and in the course of active law enforcement or fire suppression/prevention duties. The University has a Neutral position on the bill.

The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on **AB 2269 (Waldron)**. The bill would prohibit an animal shelter entity or other person 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, animal dealer, or other person for the purpose of research, experimentation, or testing. The University has a Neutral position on the bill.

The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on **AB 2455 (Chiu)**. The bill would require CSU and CCC to implement a process and the infrastructure to allow a person who enrolls online at the institution, to submit an affidavit of voter registration electronically on the Internet Web site of the Secretary of State by 7/1/18. Encourages UC to comply. The University has a Support position on the bill.

**AB 2531 (Burke)** passed off the Senate Floor. The bill would require women providing human oocytes for research to be compensated for their time, discomfort, and inconvenience in the same manner as other research subjects, as prescribed and determined by a human subject research panel or institutional review board, and makes a research program/project that provides such compensation subject to specified provisions of existing law relating to institutional review board requirements and written records. The University is not taking a position on the bill.

The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on **AB 2664 (Irwin)**. Sponsored by UC, the bill would allow the University to expand the infrastructure necessary to increase innovation and entrepreneurship for the purpose of creating economic development in California.

The Assembly concurred in Senate amendments on **AB 2732 (Chang)**. The bill would require CSU and requests UC to provide, as part of established on-campus orientations, educational and preventive information about cyberbullying to students at all campuses of their respective segments. The University has a Neutral position on the bill.

The Senate concurred on Assembly amendments on **SB 438 (Hill)**. The bill would discontinue the requirement that funding sources for the Statewide Earthquake Early Warning System exclude the General Fund and be limited to federal, revenue bond, and private source funds. Deletes the repeal and

contingent operation that the Office of Emergency Services (OES) develop the system. Establishes, within OES, the California Earthquake Early Warning Program and Advisory Board which includes the UC president or designee. The University has a Watch position on the bill.

The Senate concurred in Assembly amendments on **SB 683 (Wolk)**. The bill would authorize the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue a special nonprofit sales license to a nonprofit mutual benefit corporation to, among other things, accept the transfer of, and take title to, up to 20,000 gallons of wine per year produced by the UC Davis College of Agriculture & Environmental Sciences and sell transferred wine to consumers and licensees. The University has a Watch position on the bill.

**SB 773 (Allen)** passed off the Assembly Floor. The bill request UC, until 1/1/21, to conduct a study on motor vehicle registration fraud and failure to register a motor vehicle, and to post a report of the study on its Website. Requires DMV and CHP to provide specified information to UC researchers who are conducting the study, requires the DMV to enter into an agreement with UC to share its vehicle registration information for purposes of conducting the study and would require the CHP to provide specified information to UC researchers who are conducting the study. The University's position on the bill is pending.

**SB 906 (Beall)** passed off the Assembly Floor. The bill would revise the definition of foster youth or former foster youth to mean a person in California whose dependency was established or continued by the court on/after the youth's 16th birthday and who is no older than 25 years of age at the commencement of the academic year, for purposes of granting priority registration for enrollment at UC, CSU, and CCC. The University has a Support position on the bill.

The Senate concurred in Assembly amendments on **SB 959 (Lara)**. The bill would prohibit UC from entering into a contract for services valued at more than \$100,000 if the compensation a bidder provides to its employees is more than five percent below the average per-employee compensation, including benefits, for UC employees who perform comparable work. The University has an Oppose position on the bill.

The Senate concurred in Assembly amendments on **SB 1139 (Lara)**. The bill would prohibit students, including those without lawful immigration status and/or who are exempt from nonresident tuition who meet admission requirements to a medical degree program at any public/private postsecondary educational institution offering such a program from being denied admission based on citizenship/immigration status. The University's position on the bill is pending.

The Senate concurred in Assembly amendments on **SB 1214 (Allen)**. The bill, sponsored by UC, would extend the sunset by one year on the University's existing best value construction pilot program.

The Senate concurred in Assembly amendments on **SB 1359 (Block)**. The bill would request UC, and requires CSU/CCC to identify in the online campus course schedule its courses that exclusively use digital course materials, as specified, and communicate to students that the materials for these courses are free of charge. The University's position on the bill is pending.

The Senate concurred in Assembly amendments on **SB 1439 (Block)**. The bill would require UC, CSU, and CCC to require, as part of the hiring process for an appointment to an academic or administrative position, that an applicant discloses any final administrative/judicial decision determining that the applicant committed sexual harassment. 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](#).

### Hearing on Wine



On August 4<sup>th</sup> the Assembly's Committee on Agriculture and its Select Committee on Wine held a joint informational hearing regarding the wine industry in California at King Hall School of Law. David Block, Chair of the Viticulture and Enology Department at UC Davis, provided welcoming remarks highlighting our campus' numerous accomplishments in the field. Following the welcome, panelists from the Wine Institute and the California Association of Winegrape Growers discussed the economic

benefits of the industry to the state and the nation while speakers from UC Davis, UC Merced and a couple local wineries talked about agricultural technology and how it is changing farming in California. After the hearing, committee members and panelists took a tour of the Viticulture and Enology department which culminated with a small reception and wine tasting.



### Upcoming State Government Relations Events and Key Dates

- **Sept. 30** – Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature before Sept. 1 and in the Governor's possession on or after Sept. 1.
- **Oct. 2** – Bills enacted on or before this date take effect January 1, 2017.
- **Nov. 8** – General Election
- **Nov. 30** – Adjournment *sine die* at midnight.
- **Dec. 5** – 2017-18 Regular Session convenes for Organizational Session at 12 noon.
- **Jan. 1** – Statutes take effect.

### 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.