



UC Davis State Government Relations Update February 29, 2016

Adrian Lopez
Director, State Government Relations

In this Update:

- *Legislation (Page 1)*
- *Statewide Reports (Pages 1-2)*
- *Upcoming State Government Relations Events and Key Dates (Page 2)*
- *Questions or Need Assistance (Page 2)*

Legislation

February 19 was the deadline for bills to be introduced. Lawmakers introduced 2,239 bills for the 2016 legislative year. Below are the ones sponsored by UC;

SB 1274 (Wolk) – Provides funding directed towards the State’s “grand challenges.”

AB 2664 (Irwin) – Jumpstarts campus research and technology application efforts that will directly lead to the creation of new businesses and jobs across the economic spectrum. Will include funding for efforts at all ten campuses and the Lawrence Berkeley Lab.

SB 1050 (De Leon) – Would extend the statutory authorization for the CA Subject Matter Program.

In addition, there will be UC sponsored bills to extend the University’s Best Value construction program and the Breast Cancer and California Cancer Tax Check-Off Programs.

Also of note, but not UC sponsored, is **SB 1006 (Wolk)**, which declares legislative intent to create a Firearm Violence Research Center at UC and **SB 683 (Wolk)** which would authorize ABC to issue a liquor license to a nonprofit organization.

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

Statewide Reports

On Wednesday, February 10, State Controller Betty Yee released her monthly report of the state’s cash balance, receipts, and disbursements made for January 2016. “January state revenues fell short of projections included in Gov. Jerry Brown’s budget proposal by \$239.8 million, with both the personal income tax and the retail sales and use tax failing to meet projections.” The report is available at http://www.sco.ca.gov/Files-ARD-Local/LocRep/07_January_2016.pdf.

On Friday, February 12, Legislative Analyst Mac Taylor released the LAO's report on "[The 2016-17 Budget: Governor's General Fund Deferred Maintenance Proposal](#)." "We find the Governor's deferred maintenance proposal addresses an important state need. However, we also find that it raises several issues for legislative consideration. Specifically, we find that it lacks critical details, fails to address the underlying causes of the state's deferred maintenance backlog, and proposes a process for identifying deferred maintenance projects for funding that is inadequate." The report is available at <http://lao.ca.gov/reports/2016/3353/deferred-maintenance-021116.pdf>.

On Friday, February 26, Legislative Analyst Mac Taylor released the LAO's report on "The 2016-17 Budget: Higher Education Analysis." "The Governor's budget provides a total of \$48.2 billion from various fund sources for higher education in 2016-17. This is an increase of \$1.4 billion (3 percent) from the revised 2015-16 level. In the report, we assess the Governor's budget proposals for the University of California (UC), California State University (CSU), California Community Colleges (CCC), Hastings College of the Law, and California Student Aid Commission." The report is available at http://lao.ca.gov/Publications/Report/3372?utm_source=subscription&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=traditional.

Upcoming State Government Relations Events and Key Dates

- March 1st – Legislative Reception Hosted by President Napolitano in Sacramento
- March 1st & 2nd – SGR/GRD Face to Face Meeting
- March 17th through the 27th – Spring Recess

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.