



## UC Davis State Government Relations Update December 10, 2014

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### Speaker Announces Floor Team

On November 25, 2015 Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins, D-San Diego, announced her floor team for the 2015 legislative year which is as follows;

1. **Speaker pro Tempore** – Assemblyman Kevin Mullin, D-South San Francisco
2. **Assistant Speaker pro Tempore** – Assemblyman David Chiu, D-San Francisco
3. **Majority Floor Leader** – Assemblyman Chris Holden, D-Pasadena
4. **Assistant Majority Floor Leader** – Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia, D-Bell Gardens
5. **Majority Whip** – Miguel Santiago, D-Los Angeles
6. **Assistant Majority Whips** – Assembly members Evan Low and Jim Cooper

### Legislators Sworn In and Chiefs of Staff Announced

On December 1, 2014 the newly-elected legislators, including 10 freshmen state Senators and 27 freshmen Assembly Members, took the oath of office during swearing-in ceremonies at noon in the Senate and Assembly chambers. Below is a list of legislators, both new and returning, who are in UC Davis’ service area and/or are alums. The list also includes the legislators’ corresponding chiefs of staff and room numbers in the capitol building.

| District | Legislator       | Chief of Staff | Room Number |
|----------|------------------|----------------|-------------|
| SD 1     | Ted Gaines (R)   | Steve Davey    | 3070        |
| SD 2     | Mike McGuire (D) | Jason Liles    | 4085        |
| SD 3     | Lois Wolk (D)    | Craig Reynolds | 5114        |

|       |                       |                   |      |
|-------|-----------------------|-------------------|------|
| SD 4  | Jim Nielsen (R)       | David Reade       | 4062 |
| SD 6  | Richard Pan (D)       | Crystal Strait    | 5108 |
| SD 12 | Anthony Cannella (R)* | Brett Michelin    | 3048 |
|       |                       |                   |      |
| AD 1  | Brian Dahle (R)       | Josh Cook         | 2174 |
| AD 2  | Jim Wood (D)          | Liz Snow          | 2141 |
| AD 3  | James Gallagher (R)*  | Curtis Grima      | 4158 |
| AD 4  | Bill Dodd (D)         | Ezrah Chaaban*    | 5160 |
| AD 6  | Beth Gaines (R)       | Dave Titus        | 2130 |
| AD 7  | Kevin McCarty (D)     | Arwen Chenery     | 2013 |
| AD 8  | Ken Cooley (D)        | Jillena Hernandez | 2188 |
| AD 9  | Jim Cooper (D)        | Lisa Ramer        | 6005 |
| AD 11 | Jim Frazier (D)       | Jay Day           | 3091 |
| AD 30 | Luis Alejo (D)*       | Oracio Gonzalez   | 2117 |

List partially derived from the Capitol Morning Report. Indicates freshman legislator. \* Indicates UC Davis Alum. Indicates legislator is new to that seat.

### Assembly Committee Chairs Named

On December 3<sup>rd</sup>, Speaker Toni Atkins released the list of committee chairs for the 2015-16 Regular Session, along with the full membership of the Rules Committee. Below is a list of committee chairmanships which are pertinent to the University;

- Appropriations: Jimmy Gomez
- Budget: Shirley Weber
- Budget Subcommittee No. 2 on Education Finance: Kevin McCarty
- Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials: Luis Alejo
- Higher Education: Jose Medina
- Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security: Rob Bonta
- Rules: Richard Gordon (chair), Autumn Burke, Nora Campos, Ken Cooley, Bill Dodd, Freddie Rodriguez, Jim Wood (members) and Patty Lopez as Democratic alternate.
- Transportation: Jim Frazier
- Legislative Ethics: Ken Cooley (co-chair with other co-chair TBD)

Full memberships to the standing committees will be announced before the end of the year.

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

- January 1 – 2014 Statutes/Bills Signed Into Law Take Effect
- January 5 – Legislature Reconvenes
- January 10 – Governor Releases 2015-2016 Budget Proposal
- January 19 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Observed
- January 30 – Last Day to Submit Bill Requests to Legislative Counsel

### **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.