



UC Davis State Government Relations Update July 31, 2015

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Update on Bills

On July 17th the State Legislature began their Summer Recess. Prior to them leaving the Capitol, the following actions were taken on key bills this past month. The Legislature is scheduled to reconvene on August 17th.

AB 69 (Rodriguez) passed out of the Senate Public Safety Committee. The bill would require law enforcement agencies to consider specified best practices when establishing policies and procedures on downloading and storage of body camera data, including prohibiting unauthorized use, duplication, distribution, and storage periods for evidentiary/non-evidentiary data. The University has a Watch position on the bill.

AB 340 (Weber) passed out of the Senate Education Committee. The bill would encourage UC and requires CSU to each generate a report once every biennium of the legislative session that includes specified information related to the segment's campus climate, post the report on its Web site, and submit the report to specified state bodies. The University has a Support position on the bill.

AB 636 (Medina) passed out of the Senate Public Safety Committee. The bill would authorize identification of an alleged assailant in a campus report of a Part 1 violent crime, sexual assault, or hate crime for disclosure to local law enforcement, even if a victim does not consent to being identified, if the institution determines both that the alleged assailant represents a serious or ongoing threat to the safety of students, employees, or the institution, and that the immediate assistance of the local law enforcement agency is necessary to contact or detain the assailant. The University has a Watch position on the bill.

AB 721 (Medina) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would require a public, private, or independent postsecondary educational institution, except CCC, to make available on its

Internet Web site specified student loan debt statistics on graduates, to provide students information concerning unused federal student loan moneys available to them before certifying their eligibility for private student loans, and, if the institution does not participate in federal student loan programs, to inform students that they may be eligible for federal student loans at participating institutions and provide them information regarding Cal Grants and federal student aid. The University has Neutral position on the bill.

AB 819 (Irwin) was signed by the Governor. Sponsored by UC, the bill would allow the University to continue offering affinity programs to our alumni.

AB 880 (Ridley-Thomas) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would allow a final year dental student to practice dentistry unlicensed and without compensation under the supervision of a faculty-appointed licensed dentist at a sponsored event. The University has a Support position on the bill.

AB 1307 (McCarty) passed out of the Senate Education Committee. The bill would mandate return to aid funding sources and amounts and excludes nonresident graduate students from receiving this aid. The University has an Oppose Unless Amended position on the bill.

AB 1366 (Lopez) passed out of the Senate Education Committee. The bill would require CCC and CSU and requests UC to create Dream Resource Centers on their campuses to assist certain students by streamlining access to all available financial aid and academic opportunities for those students. The University has no position on the bill.

SB 376 (Lara) passed out of the Assembly Accountability and Administrative Review 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 lower than the average per-employee compensation, including benefits, for UC employees who perform comparable work. The University has an Oppose position on this bill.

SB 424 (Pan) passed off of the Assembly Floor. The bill would provide that provisions prohibiting eavesdropping and recording or intercepting certain communications do not prohibit any POST-certified police officer of a university or college campus acting within their scope of authority, from overhearing or recording any communication that he/she could lawfully overhear or record prior to 1/1/68, in any criminal investigation related to sexual assault or other sexual offenses. The University has a Watch position on the bill.

SB 574 (Pan) was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee suspense file. The bill would require that the University obtain certain detailed information, as described in the California Public Records Act (PRA), about alternative investments. The University has an Oppose position on the bill.

SB 686 (Pan) was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee suspense file. The bill would provide that the general provisions of the Higher Education Employer-Employee Relations Act (HEERA) apply, instead of the specified rights, provisions, and definitions for supervisory employees, to supervisory employees who are employed as sworn peace officers by the University of California or the Hastings College of the Law. The University has a Cost position on the bill.

SB 707 (Wolk) passed out of the Assembly Public Safety Committee. The bill would delete the exemption that allows a person holding a valid license to carry a concealed firearm to bring or possess a firearm on the campus of a university or college. The University has a Support position on the bill.

SCA 2 (Nguyen) was held in the Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill would provide that the display of the Flag of the United States on the grounds of a campus of the UC, CSU and CCC shall not be prohibited. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SCA 4 (Nguyen) failed to pass out of the Senate Education Committee and reconsideration was granted. The bill would require UC to ensure that no more than 10 percent of the undergraduate students enrolled at any UC campus be nonresidents and preclude any increase in UC undergraduate tuition for the five-year period from 2016-17 through 2020-21. The University has an Oppose position on the bill.

SCR 25 (Block) was adopted by the Assembly. The resolution states the Legislature's recognition and support for the memorandum of understanding for strategic partnerships for joint innovation, exchanges, and cooperation between California and Israel. The University has a Support position on the resolution.

SCR 35 (Stone) was adopted by the Assembly. The resolution urges each UC campus to adopt a resolution condemning all forms of anti-Semitism and racism, and condemns any act of anti-Semitism augmenting education programs at all publicly funded schools in California. The University has a Watch position on the bill.

Below is a list of all the bills we are tracking;

<http://www.ucop.edu/state-governmental-relations/legislation/search/index.php?results=1&q=&t=all&s=&p=5&l=7>

State Controller Report

On Tuesday, July 14, State Controller Betty Yee released her monthly report of the state's cash balance, receipts, and disbursements made for June 2015. "California ended the fiscal year with another unexpected revenue surge in June, with total General Fund receipts surpassing the Governor's May estimates by \$859.4 million." The report is available at http://www.sco.ca.gov/Files-ARD/CASH/fy1415_July.pdf.

Public Higher Education Legislative Advocacy Professionals (PHELAP) Conference

UC Davis' State Government Relations Director served as a panelist at the 8th-annual PHELAP conference this year, which was held by the University of Tennessee (UT) from July 29-31. The Panel was entitled "*Recruiting and Rewarding Your Advocacy Base.*" Adrian's presentation focused on UC Davis involvement with the UCOP SGR Capwiz database and engaging advocates with that tool, along with other efforts deployed by UC Davis State Government Relations to recruit advocates this year for the state budget deliberations and how we rewarded those advocates.

All in all the conference brought together 55 professionals from 33 leading universities across the country, along with corporate sponsors, vendors and other public employees. Through lectures, workshops, panels and networking sessions attendees exchanged ideas regarding best practices in higher education advocacy.

Featured speakers included the following; UT System President Joe Dipietro; Jamie Woodson, President and CEO of the State Collaborative on Reforming Education (SCORE); Raymon White, Principal and Founder of Commonwealth Group Partners, LLC.; David Bohan, Chairman and CEO of Bohan Advertising; Bart Herbison, Executive Director of the Nashville Songwriters Association International; Tom Griscom, Political Consultant; and Anthony Haynes, Vice President for Government Relations and Advocacy at the UT System. Each featured speaker had a unique story and perspective on advocacy, and provided the group with helpful tips on how to drive innovations in advocacy, how to train advocates effectively, how to successfully host advocacy events and how to use social media to amplify the advocacy message, among other things.

Upcoming State Government Relations Events and Key Dates

- **Aug. 13 & 14** – SGR/GRD Face to Face Meeting – UCSD
- **Aug. 17** – Legislature reconvenes from Summer Recess.
- **Aug. 28** – Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills to the floor.
- **Aug. 31 - Sept. 11** – 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.