



UC Davis State Government Relations Update February 2019

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Legislation

Below is a list of bills that the University is tracking;

AB 4 (Arambula) extends eligibility for full-scope Medi-Cal benefits to individuals of all ages, if otherwise eligible for those benefits, but for their immigration status. UC Health impact.

AB 12 (Irwin) - Spot Bill. Expresses the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to gun violence and mental health.

AB 13 (Eggman, Grayson & Weber) enacts the Higher Education Facilities Bond Act of 2020 to authorize \$7 billion for construction and remodeling of UC, UC Hastings, and CSU facilities. AB 2771 from 2018, by Eggman, Grayson, Weber and Lackey died on the inactive file. The Department of Finance opposed AB 2771 and the University took no position due to concerns that language opens the door to funding new campuses. AB 13 would provide \$2 billion to UC, \$2 billion to CSU and \$3 billion for “the construction of new CSU campuses” established by statute after January 1, 2021. **Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.**

AB 26 (Rodriguez) requires an emergency ambulance provider to provide each emergency ambulance employee, who drives or rides in the ambulance, with body armor and safety equipment to wear during the employee's work shift. UC Health impact.

AB 30 (Holden) makes changes to the College and Career Access Pathways partnerships.

AB 48 (O'Donnell) - Spot Bill. Expresses legislative intent to enact the Kindergarten-Community Colleges Public Education Facilities Bond Acts of 2020 and 2022. These would be state general obligation bond acts that would provide funds to construct and modernize education facilities. **Status: Referred to the Assembly Education Committee.**

AB 59 (Kalra) expresses legislative intent to enact legislation that would make a polling place or vote center available on every college and university campus in the state.

AB 130 (Low & Eggman) CPEC 2.0. Establishes the Office of Higher Education Performance and Accountability as the statewide postsecondary education coordination and planning entity. Since the 2011 defunding of the California Postsecondary Education Commission (CPEC), numerous variations of Higher Ed accountability legislation have been introduced over the years and all have either been held by the Legislature or vetoed. The most recent was last year's AB 1936 (Low & Eggman) which was held in the Assembly Appropriations Committee. **Status: Referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.**

AB 140 (Cervantes) establishes the California Kickstart My Future Loan Forgiveness Program. The bill is a reintroduction of AB 1767 from last year.

AB 154 (Voepel) requires CSU and UC, as a condition of receipt of funds appropriated for purposes of the bill's provisions, to each select a campus of their respective system to establish a pilot program for participating students to enter into an income share agreement with the campus.

AB 190 (Ting) and SB 73 (Mitchell) – Budget Act of 2019. **Status: Referred to the Assembly Budget Committee.**

AB 214 (Mullin) appropriates \$5 million in general funds to the Spinal Cord Injury Research Fund. UC Health impact.

ACA 5 (Quirk-Silva) prohibits the appointment of members of the UC regents appointed to the board before 3/4/20, to additional terms after that date. Requires regents appointed on and after 3/4/20 to serve 4-year terms, with the exception of five appointive positions on the board that would be filled, through appointments by the Governor, by faculty, students, and classified employees of the University for 2-year terms. Requires, on or before October 1 of each year, the UC Office of the President (UCOP) to submit a written report to the regents, the Governor, and the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature specifying its receipts and expenditures for the immediately preceding fiscal year. Requires that an appropriation for UCOP be made only pursuant to an item in the annual Budget Bill relating solely to that office. Provides that the UC President would be a nonvoting, rather than a voting, ex officio member. (ACA 27 '18)

SB 2 (Glazer, Allen & Wilk) Spot Bill. Expresses legislative intent to establish the Statewide Longitudinal Student Database to collect and store data on students matriculating through P-20 education and into the workforce. SB 1224 from 2018, by Glazer, Allen, and Portantino was held in the Senate Appropriations Committee. **Status: Referred to the Senate Education Committee.**

SB 3 (Allen & Glazer) CPEC 2.0. Establishes the Office of Higher Education Coordination, Accountability, and Performance. See AB 130. **Status: Referred to the Senate Education Committee.**

SB 14 (Glazer, Allen & Wilk) enacts the Higher Education Facilities Bond Act of 2020 for the issuance of up to \$2 billion each for UC/Hastings and CSU. SB 1225 from 2018, by Glazer, Allen and Arambula died on the Assembly inactive file. UC and CSU supported that bill. The Department of Finance opposed. **Status: Referred to the Senate Education Committee.**

SB 24 (Leyva) requires each student health care services clinic on a UC or CSU campus to offer abortion by medication techniques. The bill is a reintroduction of SB 320 from last year. UC has concerns with mandate and cost. The bill was vetoed by the Governor. **Status: Referred to the Senate Health Committee.**

SB 29 (Lara) extends eligibility for full-scope Medi-Cal to individuals of all ages who are otherwise eligible but for their immigration status. UC Health impact. **Status: Referred to the Senate Health Committee.**

SB 56 (Roth) appropriates \$80 million for construction of a new UC Riverside School of Medicine facility, and an additional \$25 million annually for ongoing operational support for the school's expansion. **Status: Referred to the Senate Education Committee.**

Upcoming State Government Relations Events, Hearings and Key Dates

On Thursday, **February 7**, the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee is scheduled to hold an informational hearing on "Budget Resiliency, Pension Payments and Reserves," at 10:00 a.m. or upon adjournment of Session in Capitol, Room 4203.

On Wednesday, **February 13**, the Assembly Education Committee is scheduled to hold an informational hearing on "Promoting Mental Health Wellness for All Students," at 1:45 p.m. in Capitol Room 4202.

On Thursday, **February 14**, the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review is scheduled to hold an informational hearing on "Health Care and Cradle to Career," at 9:30 a.m. in Capitol, Room 4203.

February 22nd is the last day for bills to be introduced.

On Tuesday, **February 26**, the Assembly Higher Education Committee and Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 2 on Education Finance will hold a joint oversight hearing on "Financial Aid Reform," at 9:30 a.m. in Capitol, Room 447

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.