



UC Davis State Government Relations Update September 2019

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Legislation

Friday August 30th was the last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills out from their suspense files to the floor. Below is a list of bills that made it out of the appropriations committees and are heading to the floor:

AB 59 (Kalra) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would expand the definition of public building, for purposes of allowing a school to be used as a polling place or vote center, to include buildings owned or controlled by CCC, CSU and UC, and clarifies that UC is encouraged, but not required, to comply. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 130 (Low) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would establish the Higher Education Performance, Accountability, and Coordination Commission Act to develop and publish an independent annual report on the condition of higher education in California. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 290 (Wood) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendments. The bill would establish requirements for third-party premium payments to health plans and insurers by financially interested entities or providers and sets forth standards governing provider reimbursement, and prohibits chronic dialysis clinics from advising patients regarding coverage options and requires the clinics to post a notice requiring questions about Medicare for patients with end stage renal disease to be directed to the Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 302 (Berman) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendments. The bill would require a CCC campus that has parking facilities to grant overnight access to those facilities to any homeless student who is enrolled in coursework, has paid any enrollment fees that have not been waived, and is in good standing with the community college, for the purpose of sleeping in the student's vehicle overnight. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 314 (Bonta) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would prescribe requirements relating to labor relations release time that would apply to all public employers and employees. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 320 (Quirk) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would create the California Mosquito Surveillance and Research Program, to be administered by UC. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 420 (Lackey) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would specify that the California Cannabis Research Program is hosted by the UC Center for Medicinal Cannabis Research, authorizes it to cultivate cannabis for its use research, expands the purview of the program, and authorizes the Research Advisory Panel to authorize an institution conducting a research project to cultivate cannabis or work with a commercial cannabis licensee to cultivate, test, manufacture, or procure cannabis or cannabis products for research projects. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 521 (Berman) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would require the UC Firearm Violence Research Center to develop multifaceted education and training programs for medical and mental health providers on the prevention of firearm-related injury and death. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 540 (Limon) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendments. The bill would establish the Cal Grant B Service Incentive Grant Program to require a participating student, in order to receive a grant award, to: be a recipient of a Cal Grant B award; be enrolled as a student at UC, CSU, CCC or an independent institution of higher education; and perform at least 100 hours per quarter or 150 hours per semester of community or volunteer service. The University has a support position on the bill.

AB 710 (Cervantes) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendments. The bill would require institutions in the CCC, CSU and UC systems, independent institutions of higher education, and private postsecondary educational institutions to each calculate and include at a minimum, specified items, including room and board, in a calculation of a full-time student's cost of attendance at that institution. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 744 (Aguiar-Curry) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would require health plan and insurer contracts to reimburse providers for care delivered appropriately through telehealth services in the same manner as is done for in-person care. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 751 (O'Donnell) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to approve a nationally recognized high school assessment that a local educational agency, may, at its own discretion, administer, if the alternative assessment is approved by the local educational agency's governing board or body in a public meeting, commencing with the 2021-22 school year, and each school year thereafter, in lieu of the consortium summative assessment in English language arts and mathematics for grade 11. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 962 (Burke) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendments. The bill would require a licensed hospital with operating expenses of \$25M or more to annually submit a report to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development on its minority, women, LGBT, and disabled veteran business enterprise procurement efforts. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 963 (Petrie-Norris) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendments. The bill would establish the Student Civic and Voter Empowerment Program in partnership with UC, CSU, and CCC, and requests UC to distribute campuswide emails and social media reminders to students regarding voting and election information and include dates on academic calendars, and to designate a Civic and Voter Empowerment Coordinator on each campus. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1004 (McCarty) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendments. The bill would require Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment screening service benefits cover developmental screening of individuals up to age 3, and that Medi-Cal managed care plans have an adjusted capitation rate and ensure that contracted providers render those services in conformity with specified standards. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1090 (Medina) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would require CCC, CSU and requests UC to waive any mandatory campus-based fees for any surviving spouse or surviving child of a deceased person who was a resident of the state and employed by or contracting with a public agency, whose principal duties consisted of active law enforcement service or active fire suppression and prevention, and who died as a result of their duties. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1130 (Levine) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would revise the definition of personal information to add specified unique biometric data and tax identification numbers, passport numbers, military identification numbers, and unique identification numbers issued on a government document in addition to those for driver's licenses and California identification cards for purposes of data breaches. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1175 (Wood) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would require the Department of Health Care Services as part of its consultation with stakeholders concerning updates to the performance outcomes reports for specialty mental health services, to include additional components in those reports, including information on language access. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1307 (Rubio) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would recharacterize private nonprofit postsecondary educational institutions as independent institutions of higher education for purposes of Cal Grant Program benefits and changes, in accordance with a prescribed formula, the maximum tuition award for a new recipient attending an independent institution of higher education, commencing with the 2020-21 award year. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1313 (Rivas) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would enact the Educational Debt Collection Practices Act to prohibit any postsecondary educational institution from withholding a student's request for a transcript because that student owes money to the institution. The University has an oppose position on the bill.

AB 1494 (Aguiar-Curry) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would provide for telehealth clinical services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries during or immediately following a state of emergency, and establishes a stakeholder guidance process for enrolled fee-for-service Medi-Cal providers, clinics, or facilities to facilitate reimbursement for these services. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1510 (Reyes) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendments. The bill would revive claims for damages arising out of a sexual assault or other inappropriate contact, communication, or activity of a sexual nature by a physician occurring at a student health center. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1642 (Wood) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendments. The bill would incorporate the use of Medi-Cal covered transportation, clinically appropriate telecommunications technology, and capitation rates in Medi-Cal managed care plan alternative access and time and distance standards, and that these plans fund a Medi-Cal preventive services outreach and education

program upon failure to meet the minimum performance level of preventive service utilization rates. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1645 (Rubio) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The bill would require CCC and CSU and requests UC to designate a Dreamer Resource Liaison on each of their respective campuses, as specified, to assist students meeting specified requirements, including undocumented students, by streamlining access to all available financial aid, social services, state-funded immigration legal services, internships, externships, and academic opportunities for those students. The University's position on the bill is pending.

ACA 14 (Gonzalez) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee with amendments. The bill would amend the California Constitution to prohibit UC from entering into contracts for a broad array of support and clinical services that are defined in the measure. The University has an oppose position on the measure.

ACR 64 (McCarty) passed out of the Senate Appropriations Committee. The measure would request UC and CSU to conduct a study on the usefulness, effectiveness, and need for the SAT and ACT, and provide that the study include evaluation of specified admissions eligibility and qualifications measures and testing issues, and include recommendations and, if determined necessary, a plan for phasing out the use of the SAT and ACT as a basis for admission. The University's position on the resolution is pending.

SB 14 (Glazer) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill, co-sponsored by UC, would enact the Higher Education Facilities Bond Act of 2020 for the issuance of state general obligation bonds up to \$8 billion, with one half of the amount designated for UC and Hastings College of the Law and the other half for CSU. The University has a support position on the bill.

SB 24 (Leyva) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would require each student health care services clinic on a UC or CSU campus to offer abortion by medication techniques. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 29 (Durazo) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would extend full-scope Medi-Cal eligibility to individuals aged 65 or older who are otherwise eligible but for their immigration status. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 72 (Umberg) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would require conditional voter registration and provisional voting at all satellite offices of the county elections official and all polling places in the county. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 142 (Wiener) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would require employers to provide specified employee lactation accommodations, maintain records of requests for those accommodations for 3 years, and give the Labor Commission access to those records. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 150 (Beall) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would remove Chafee grant eligibility upon failure to demonstrate satisfactory academic progress for specified periods, limit the duration of the award to 5 years, and require CCC and CSU and request UC to provide all Chafee grant recipients with information regarding available support services on campus and the process for completing an educational plan. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 163 (Portantino) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would redefine and expand requirements for behavioral health treatment, and qualified autism service professionals and paraprofessionals. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 206 (Skinner) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would prohibit UC and CSU, and every athletic association, conference, or other group or organization with authority over intercollegiate athletics, from providing compensation to a prospective student athlete in relation to their name, image, or likeness, or preventing them from earning compensation as a result of the use of their name, image, or likeness or obtaining professional representation relating to their participation in intercollegiate athletics. The bill would also prohibit preventing UC and CSU from participating in intercollegiate athletics as a result of the compensation of a student athlete for the use of their name, image, or likeness, and prohibit the revocation of a student's scholarship for these reasons. The University has an oppose position on the bill.

SB 230 (Caballero) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would require law enforcement agencies to maintain a policy that provides guidelines on the use of force, deescalation techniques and other alternatives, and factors for evaluating and reviewing such incidents, and to make the policy publicly accessible. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 255 (Bradford) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would modify the revenue threshold of utility companies subject to requirements for increasing procurement from women, minority, disabled veteran, and LGBT business enterprises from \$25 million in total revenues to \$15 million in California revenues, and extend these requirements to electric service providers, as specified. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 276 (Pan) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would require a statewide standardized medical exemption from immunization request form for use by licensed physicians and

surgeons, and a database of approved medical exemption requests. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 296 (Allen) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would provide Cal Grant eligibility to a noncitizen who has filed a designated application for asylum and has a valid employment authorization document and social security number. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 354 (Durazo) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would expand California DREAM loan eligibility to a student enrolled in a professional or graduate degree program, including, but not limited to, a teaching credential, if other applicable qualifications are met, and require the participating institution to determine the proportion of program funding for instructional and graduate programs, with priority given to loans for instructional programs. The University has a support position on the bill.

SB 425 (Hill) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would require reporting of any written patient allegation of sexual abuse or sexual misconduct against a healing arts licensee practicing at any health care facility or other entity at which a healing arts licensee practices to the relevant state licensing agency within 15 days, and would require an investigation of the underlying circumstances. The University has a support position on the bill.

SB 442 (Dodd) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill, sponsored by UC, would provide an exception to the prohibition on commercial exploitation of resources in the state park system for the commercialization of the results of scientific research, scientific investigations, or progeny of a specimen by requiring applications to commercialize to require entering into a benefits sharing agreement. The University has a support position on the bill.

SB 449 (McGuire) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would extend the Pierce's Disease Control Program to March 1, 2026. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 518 (Wieckowski) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would exempt any action to enforce the Public Records Act from provisions relating to the award of litigation costs in settlement offers. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 583 (Jackson) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would expand coverage for clinical trials under a plan contract or insurance policy to include a clinical trial relating to the prevention, detection, or treatment of cancer or a life-threatening disease or condition, and include a trial funded by, among others, a qualified nongovernmental research entity. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 697 (Caballero) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would expand the scope of practice of physician assistants pursuant to a signed delegation of services/practice agreement. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 698 (Leyva) passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill would require UC employees be paid on a regular payday and The bill would require those employees who are paid on a monthly basis to be paid no later than 5 days after the close of the monthly payroll period. The University's position on the bill is pending.

Upcoming State Government Relations Events, Hearings and Key Dates

Sept. 3 to 13 – Floor session only.

Sept. 6 – Last day to amend bills on the floor.

Sept. 13 – Last day for any bill to be passed. Interim Recess begins upon adjournment.

Oct. 13 – Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature on or before Sept. 13.

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.