



UC Davis State Government Relations Update June 2022

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2022-23 State Budget

The Governor and the Legislature have agreed on a state budget for 2022-23 and that agreement is contained in SB 154 and SB 178. The agreement provides the University of California with \$5.125 billion in State General Fund dollars, of which \$360.2 million is new and ongoing and \$754.4 million is one-time. The UC general allocation is \$5 billion, and the UC ANR allocation is \$115.7 million.

University of California funding in SB 178 only:

SB 178 provides the University with a \$5 billion general allocation. Within SB 178 only, \$354.8 million is new ongoing funding and \$751.7 million is one-time funds. Below is an itemized list of these new funds.

New ongoing funding in SB 178:

- \$200.5 million base budget increase for the general allocation (5%)
- \$67.8 million for California undergraduate enrollment growth, including:
 - 1,500 FTE over-target California undergraduate students since the funded enrollment of Budget Act of 2019
 - 4,730 FTE California undergraduates in 2022-23
 - Fund not used to support enrollment growth in 2022-23 can be used to hire faculty to support enrollment growth in 2023-24
- \$31 million for the reduction of 902 nonresident students at UC Berkeley, UCLA, and UC San Diego

- \$22.5 million for SAPEP programs
- \$6 million to support former foster youth services
- \$5 million to support undocumented student services
- \$4 million to support carceral-system impacted student services
- \$13 million for labor issues, including:
 - \$3 million for the UC Berkeley Labor Center
 - \$3 million for the UCLA Labor Center
 - \$3 million for UC Merced Community and Labor Center
 - \$500,000 for the UC Berkeley Labor Occupational Health Program
 - \$500,000 for the UCLA Labor Occupational Health Program
 - \$3 million for a multi-campus initiative determined by a five-member committee
- \$2 million for the University of California Firearms Violence Research Center at UC Davis
- \$650,000 for the ASSIST program to integrate AICCU colleges and universities
- \$75,000 for the UCLA Anderson School to include climate impacts in the annual economic report
- \$2.29 million for the Prop 56 technical adjustment to keep GME funding at \$40 million total

One-time operating funding:

- \$100 million for climate action research seed and matching grants and projects at Innovation and Entrepreneur Centers
- \$47 million for UC Riverside climate initiatives
- \$20 million for UC Santa Cruz climate initiatives
- \$18 million for UC Merced climate initiatives
- \$15 million for the UCLA Latino Policy and Politics Institute Unseen Latinas Initiative
- \$15 million for UC Berkeley Asian American Studies Department
- \$10 million for dyslexia research
- \$10 million for UCLA Asian American Studies Center AAPI multimedia textbook project
- \$5 million for the Ralph J. Bunche Center
- \$5 million for UC Berkeley, UCLA, and UC Davis to study plant-based meat
- \$3 million for the UC Berkeley Latinx Research Center
- \$2.5 million for UC Berkeley Center for Responsible, Decentralized Intelligence
- \$2.5 million for Cal-Bridge
- \$2 million for UC San Diego medicinal cannabis study
- \$1.8 million for UC Irvine LIFTED program
- \$1.5 million for the California Subject Matter Projects computer science
- \$1.25 million for UCLA Hollywood Diversity Report
- \$850,000 for ASSIST program to integrate AICCU colleges and universities
- \$304,000 for the UCLA Anderson School to include climate impacts in the annual economic report

One-time capital outlay funding:

- \$125 million for systemwide deferred maintenance, seismic mitigation, and energy efficiency projects.
- \$83 million for the UC Berkeley clean energy campus project, with intent language to provide equal amounts in 2023-24 and 2024-25.
- \$51 million for campus expansion projects at UC Riverside, with intent language to provide equal amounts in 2023-24 and 2024-25.
- \$31.5 million for campus expansion projects at UC Merced, with intent language to provide equal amounts in 2023-24 and 2024-25.
- \$200 million for the UCLA Institute of Immunology and Immunotherapy, with intent language to provide another \$200 million in 2023-24 and \$100 million in 2024-25.

Student housing funding in AB 183 and SB 178:

- In AB 183 – \$389 million for the Higher Education Student Housing Grant Program for the University. Of this amount, \$254 million is new funding. The projects include:
 - \$65 million for UC Irvine – new
 - \$89 million for UC Santa Cruz – new
 - \$100 million for UC Berkeley – new
 - \$35 million for UCLA – was approved by DOF in spring 2022
 - \$100 million for UC San Diego – was approved by DOF in spring 2022
 - \$564,000 planning grant for UC Merced jointly with Merced Community College – was approved by DOF in spring 2022
- SB 178 – Intent language to provide \$900 million in 2023-24 and \$900 million in 2024-25 for a student housing revolving loan program.

Other items of note:

- SB 178 contains language changes to the University's basic needs allocations, including allowing funding to be used to personal hygiene products and requiring that financial aid office distribute direct monetary aid.
- SB 178 provides \$5.6 million to UC Santa Cruz and others for white shark monitoring
- SB 178 provides \$1.39 million to the UC Trauma Recovery Center Technical Assistance Program through the California Victim Compensation Board
- SB 178 provides \$8.8 million to the Department of Health Care Access and Information to provide grants to postgraduate program students at UC and CSU.
- SB 178 provides \$4 million for the Judicial Council to contract with the University of California Firearm Violence Research Center for a study.

Actions on UC Tracked Bills

AB 1601 (Weber) passed out of the Senate Governmental Organization Committee. The bill requires a state agency that contracts with a private entity for call center services to prioritize the work being conducted in California and requires private entities that have contracted with the state for call center services as of 1/1/23, to ensure that a certain percentage of its services are performed in California. The University's position on the bill is pending.

AB 1602 (McCarty) passed out of the Senate Labor, Public Employment and Retirement Committee. The bill establishes the California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund Act of 2022 and applies certain provisions of the California Educational Facilities Authority Act to UC and CSU for purposes of housing projects. The University has a support position on the bill.

AB 1800 (Low) passed out of the Senate Transportation Committee. The bill enacts Charlie's Law to require an electronic application for an original or renewal driver's license or ID card to contain a solicitation to enroll in the National Marrow Donor Program's (NMDP) registry as a bone marrow or blood stem cell donor. The University has a support position on the bill.

AB 2881 (Berman) passed out of the Senate Education Committee. The bill requires CSU and CCC and requests UC to grant priority in that system for registration for enrollment to a student parent. Requires each Basic Needs Center to also ensure that students have the information they need to enroll in the California Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 250 (Pan) passed out of the Assembly Health Committee. The bill requires health care service plan or health insurance contracts to reimburse a contracting individual health professional the in-network cost-sharing amount for services provided to an enrollee at a contracting health facility, to report the average number of denied prospective utilization review requests, to report on and examine an individual health professional's records on prospective utilization review requests, and to grant individual health professionals a 2-year exemption from this process upon meeting criteria, with authorization for a records audit every 2 years thereafter. The University is not taking a position on the bill.

SB 853 (Wiener) passed out of the Assembly Health Committee. The bill prohibits a health care service plan or disability insurer that provides coverage for prescription drugs from limiting or declining to cover a drug or dose of a drug as prescribed. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 879 (Wiener) was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee suspense file. The bill enacts the Protection of Dogs and Cats from Unnecessary Testing Act, to prohibit a contract testing facility from conducting a canine or feline toxicological experiment that seeks to determine the effect of the application or exposure of any amount of a chemical substance on a dog or cat, unless it is conducted for specified purposes. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 880 (Laird) passed out of the Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee. The bill extends indefinitely existing law requirements qualifying an individual for installing and maintaining devices or implementing methods taught in a water diversion instructional course administered by UC Cooperative Extension (UCCE), and requiring UCCE and the State Water Resources Control Board to develop the course curriculum and proficiency test. The University has a support position on the bill.

SB 886 (Wiener) was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee suspense file. The bill exempts from CEQA a university housing development project carried out by UC, CSU, and CCC on real property they own if the project meets certain requirements and is not located on certain sites, and does not require demolition of specified housing or a historic structure. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 987 (Portantino) passed out of the Assembly Health Committee. The bill requires a Medi-Cal managed care plan to make a good-faith effort to include in its contracted provider network at least one National Cancer Institute (NCI)- designated comprehensive cancer center, site affiliated with the NCI Community Oncology Research Program (NCORP), or qualifying academic cancer center located within the beneficiary's county of residence or as otherwise specified, and ensure that any beneficiary diagnosed with a complex cancer diagnosis is referred to any of those centers within 15 business days of the diagnosis, unless the beneficiary selects a different cancer treatment provider. SGR Legislative Director Sarah Huchel testified that the University does not have an official position on the bill, but is working with the author towards support.

SB 1141 (Limon) was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee suspense file. The bill reduces, for purposes of eligibility for the exemption from paying nonresident tuition, the total years of full time attendance in certain California schools, the years of full time high school coursework in California, and the total years of attendance in California elementary and secondary schools required from 3 or more years to 2 or more years. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 1296 (Pan) passed out of the Assembly Health Committee. The bill requires the California Department of Public Health to establish the "Viral Surveillance Hub" (VSH), responsible for timely communication with any laboratory that conducts viral surveillance, and that identifies a potential novel virus or variant; and requires laboratories that conduct viral surveillance and identify a potential novel virus or variant to report to VSH. SGR Legislative Director Sarah Huchel testified in support of the bill.

SB 1334 (Bradford) was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee suspense file. The bill entitles employees who provide or support direct patient care in a general acute care hospital, clinic, or public health setting directly employed by specified public sector employers to one unpaid 30-minute meal period on shifts over 5 hours and a second unpaid 30-minute meal period on shifts over 10 hours, and entitles these employees to one 10-minute paid rest period for every 4 hours worked. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 1339 (Pan) passed out of the Assembly Health Committee. The bill requires an acute care hospital in a building with a specified rating to submit to the Department of Health Care Access and Information the estimated cost for the hospital to comply with the 2030 seismic requirements. The University's position on the bill is pending.

SB 1500 (Senate Health Committee) passed out of the Assembly Health Committee. The bill exempts human whole blood or biologics and biologics other than human whole blood and derivatives, and tissue from state licensing requirements if they are intended solely for investigation use conducted in accordance with specified provisions of the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. The University has a support position on the bill.

Upcoming State Government Relations Deadlines, Events and Key Dates

June 30 Last day for a legislative measure to qualify for the Nov. 8 General Election ballot.

July 1 Last day for **policy committees** to meet and report bills. **Summer Recess** begins upon adjournment, provided Budget Bill has been passed.

July 4 Independence Day.

Aug. 1 Legislature reconvenes from **Summer Recess**.

Aug. 12 Last day for **fiscal committees** to meet and report bills.

Aug. 15 - 31. Floor session only. No committee may meet for any purpose except Rules Committee, bills referred pursuant to Assembly Rules 77.2, and Conference Committees.

Aug. 25 Last day to **amend** bills on the floor.

Aug. 31 Last day for each house to pass bills. **Final Recess** begins upon adjournment.

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, Senior Director of Government Relations. He can be reached at adnlopez@ucdavis.edu or by phone at (530) 752-9795.