

UC Davis State Government Relations Update November 2021

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LAO's Report on 2022-23 Budget Outlook

The Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) released a report on "The 2022-23 Budget: California's Fiscal Outlook" on November 17th. In that report the LAO stated that they "anticipate the state will have a \$31 billion surplus to allocate in the upcoming fiscal year and operating surpluses ranging from \$3 billion to \$8 billion over the multiyear period." They also found that the "state will need to allocate about \$14 billion to meet the constitutional requirements of the State Appropriation's Limit (SAL) across 2020-21 and 2021-22." The report is available here.

Subject Matter, Bill and Budget Hearings

Assembly

On November 3rd, the Assembly Higher Education Committee held an informational hearing on "The Impact and Response of COVID-19 on Postsecondary Education in Year Two."

On November 8th, the Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 2 on Education Finance held an informational hearing on "California Student Housing: Solutions for Increasing Capacity and Affordability."

On November 30th the Budget Subcommittee No. 2 on Education Finance and the Assembly Education Committee held an oversight hearing entitled "Pandemic Response Oversight: Learning Recovery, Chronic Absenteeism and Enrollment Loss."

Also on November 30th the Select Committee on Infectious Diseases held an informational hearing on ending health inequities in California.

On December 1st, the Agriculture Committee will hold an informational hearing on "Impatiens Necrotic Spot Orthotospovirus, Pythium Wilt, and Other Leafy Green Plant Disease," at 2:30 p.m. in Capitol Room 4202.

Also on December 1st, the Select Committee on The Social Determinants of Health will hold an information hearing on the "Overview of the Social Determinants of Health," at 9 a.m. at the Grossmont Healthcare District, 9001 Wakarusa Street, La Mesa.

The Select Committee on Technology and the Future of California's Agricultural Workforce will also be holding an informational hearing on December 1st entitled "Agriculture Technology Workforce: An Overview." The hearing will be at 11 a.m. in Capitol Room 4202.

On December 2nd, the Select Committee on Reproductive Health will hold an informational hearing on "The Impact of COVID-19 on Reproductive Healthcare," at 1 p.m. in Capitol Room 4202.

On December 7th, the Budget Subcommittee No. 3 on Climate Crisis, Resources, Energy and Transportation will hold an oversight hearing on "Wildfire Prevention and Forest Resiliency," at 10 a.m. in Capitol Room 4202.

On December 9th, the Select Committee on Los Angeles County Homelessness, will hold an informational hearing on "Building Housing for Our Unhoused LA Neighbors: What Has Worked and What Hasn't?" The hearing will be held at 10 a.m. at 442 S. San Pedro Street, Los Angeles.

Senate

On November 30th the Select Committee on Domestic Violence held an informational hearing on the intersection between child welfare and domestic violence

Also on November 30th the Governmental Organization Committee held an information hearing entitled "Direct to Consumer Shipping in California: Possible Framework for Expansion."

On December 16th, the Select Committee on Human Security will hold an informational hearing on "The Western Drought: The Hidden Human Impacts," at 1 p.m. in Capitol Room 4203.

Joint

On December 6th, the Committee on Elections and Constitutional Amendments (Senate) along with the Elections Committee (Assembly) will hold a joint informational hearing on "Evaluating California's State and Local Recall Process," at 9:30 a.m. in Capitol Room 4202.

Upcoming State Government Relations Deadlines, Events and Key Dates

Jan. 1 Statutes take effect.

Jan. 3 Legislature Reconvenes.

Jan. 10 Budget must be submitted by Governor.

Jan. 14 Last day for **policy committees** to hear and report to **fiscal committees** fiscal bills introduced in their house in the odd-numbered year.

Jan. 17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Jan. 21 Last day for any committee to hear and report to the **floor** bills introduced in that house in the odd-numbered year. Last day to submit **bill requests** to the Office of Legislative Counsel.

Jan. 31 Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house in the odd- numbered year.

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 <u>adnlopez@ucdavis.edu</u> or by phone at (530) 752-9795.