



## UC Davis State Government Relations Update October 2022

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### **Actions on UC Tracked Bills**

**AB 32 (Aguiar-Curry)** makes various changes to expand and enhance telehealth delivery. The University supported the bill and the Governor signed the measure.

**AB 524 (Rodriguez)** was signed by the Governor. The bill establishes the Campus-Recognized Sorority and Fraternity Transparency Act, which would require each institution of higher education to include in the institution's requirements for campus recognition of a campus-recognized sorority or fraternity a requirement that the sorority or fraternity submit to the institution on or before July 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, specified information concerning the sorority's or fraternity's members and their conduct. The University did not take a position on the bill.

**AB 1242 (Bauer-Kahan)** prohibits a state or local law enforcement agency or officer from knowingly arresting or knowingly participating in the arrest of any person for performing, supporting, or aiding in the performance of an abortion or for obtaining an abortion if the abortion is lawful in this state. The University supported the bill, which the Governor ultimately signed.

**AB 1279 (Muratsuchi)** was signed by the Governor. The bill enacts the California Climate Crisis Act, declaring the policy of the state to achieve net zero, net negative, and 85% below 1990 level GHG emission goals as soon as possible or by 2045. The University did not take a position on the bill.

**AB 1711 (Seyarto)** would have required an agency to post a notice on its website when a person or business operating a system on its behalf is required to issue a security breach notification for that system. The University opposed the bill and the Governor ultimately vetoed the legislation.

**AB 1796 (Choi)** was signed by the Governor. The bill requests UC and requires CSU to require their campuses to grant students the right to reenroll in their baccalaureate degree program after withdrawing or stopping out. The University did not take a position on the bill.

**AB 1800 (Low)** 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 supported the bill which was signed by the Governor.

**AB 2091 (Bonta)** prohibits a health care provider, health care service plan, contractor, or employer from releasing medical information that would identify or that is related to an individual seeking or obtaining an abortion in response to a subpoena or request to law enforcement if based on or for the purpose of enforcement of either another state's laws that interfere with the right to choose or obtain an abortion or a foreign penal civil action. The University supported the bill and it was signed by the Governor.

**AB 2208 (Kalra)** was signed by the Governor. The bill prohibits, on and after 1/1/24, a screw or bayonet base type compact fluorescent lamp, and, on and after 1/1/25, a pin-base type compact fluorescent lamp or a linear fluorescent lamp, from being offered for final sale, sold at final sale, or distributed in this state as a new manufactured product. The University did not take a position on the bill.

**AB 2223 (Wicks)** prohibits civil or criminal liability based on actions or omissions regarding pregnancy or actual, potential, or alleged pregnancy outcome or based solely on actions to aid or assist a pregnant person who is exercising their reproductive rights, and makes other changes relating to reproductive health. The University supported the bill and the Governor signed the measure.

**AB 2516 (Aguiar-Curry)** would have expanded the coverage requirement for an annual cervical cancer screening test to disability insurance policies that provide coverage for hospital, medical, or surgical benefits, and required a health care service plan contract or disability insurance policy that covers hospital, medical, or surgical benefits issued, amended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2023, to provide coverage without cost sharing for the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine for persons for whom the vaccine is U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved. The University supported the bill but the Governor vetoed the legislation.

**AB 2626 (Calderon)** prohibits California healthcare professional regulatory boards from suspending or revoking a healthcare professional's license or certificate solely for performing an abortion if they performed it in accordance with California law, and prohibits denying an application for licensure or imposing discipline because the person was disciplined in another state for doing so, or was convicted in that state for an offense related solely to the performance of an abortion in that state. The University supported the bill which was signed by the Governor.

**AB 2677 (Gabriel)** was vetoed by the Governor. The bill makes changes to the Information Practices Act of 1977, including expanding the definition of personal information (PI) to include information that is reasonably capable of identifying an individual, and prohibiting an agency from using records containing PI for any purposes other than those for which the PI was collected. The University did not take a position on the bill.

**SB 22 (Glazer)** would have enacted the Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2022 to provide \$15.5 billion for construction and modernization of education facilities, and required the UC Regents to comply with certain conditions before receiving funds from the 2022 University Capital Outlay Bond Fund. The University supported the bill, but it was held in the Assembly Education Committee.

**SB 641 (Skinner)** was signed by the Governor. The bill enacts the CalFresh for College Students Act to report, in consultation with UC, the California State University (CSU), the California Community Colleges (CCC), and the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC), the estimated number and costs of public postsecondary students eligible for and receiving CalFresh benefits, and to convene a workgroup to establish a CalFresh application submission process. The University supported the bill.

**SB 883 (Roth and Portantino)** extends the Umbilical Cord Blood Collection Program (UCBCP) until January 1, 2027. The University sponsored the bill and it was signed by the Governor.

**SB 905 (Caballero)** was signed by the Governor. The bill establishes a Carbon Capture, Removal, Utilization, and Storage Program. The University supported the bill.

**SB 912 (Limón)**, co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society, would have required a health care service plan contract or health insurance policy and Medi-Cal, to cover biomarker testing for purposes of diagnosis, treatment, appropriate management, or ongoing monitoring of a disease or condition if the test is supported by medical and scientific evidence. The University co-sponsored the bill and requested the Governor's signature. The Governor vetoed the bill.

**SB 960 (Skinner)** deletes an antiquated requirement for peace officers in California to be U.S. citizens. The University sponsored the bill and it was signed by the Governor.

**SB 1075 (Skinner)** was signed by the Governor. The bill requires the Energy Commission, as part of the 2023 and 2025 editions of the integrated energy policy report, to study and model potential growth for hydrogen and its role in decarbonizing, the electrical and transportation sectors of the economy, and helping to achieve specified goals. The University supported the bill.

**SB 1296 (Pan)** was vetoed by the Governor. The bill would have required 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 required laboratories that conduct viral surveillance and identify a potential novel virus or variant to report to VSH. UC supported the bill and requested the Governor's signature.

**SB 1299 (Min)** was signed by the Governor. The bill, sponsored by UC, extends the California State Summer School for Mathematics (COSMOS) program operated by UC until January 1, 2028 and increases application and program fees.

**SB 1364 (Durazo)** was vetoed by the Governor. The bill would have required any vendor that contracts with UC to provide services or supply employees at a UC location to pay wages and benefits to their employees as required by the Regent's "wage and benefit parity" policy or a rate that is specified in the

vendor's contract, whichever is higher. The bill also would have required vendors submit payroll information twice annually to a joint UC labor-management committee, or upon request. Vendors that failed to comply with the terms of the bill were subject to civil litigation brought by any UC employee, vendor's employee, or the employee's representative; in addition to monetary penalties, the bill would have imposed a five-year blacklist for any vendor found to be in violation of the bill. The University opposed the bill and requested a veto from the Governor.

### **UC Sponsored Legislation for 2023**

The UC Office of State Governmental Relations (SGR) is soliciting ideas for University sponsored legislation. Proposals are due October 28<sup>th</sup>. If you have any suggestions please reach out to our department via the contact information below.

### **Upcoming State Government Relations Deadlines, Events and Key Dates**

**Nov 8** General Election

**Dec. 5** 2023-24 Regular Session convenes for Organizational Session at 12 noon.

### **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](mailto:adnlopez@ucdavis.edu) or by phone at (530) 752-9795.