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ACSA Members,

The first year of the 2017-18 legislative session has concluded and the Government Relations team was hard at work representing your interests in Sacramento. In this first year, the California State legislature introduced nearly 3,000 pieces of legislation, with our team tracking just under 1,000 legislative measures that could impact school administrators statewide. Of those bills, nearly 300 were sent to the Governor Jerry Brown for his signature or veto. Some of the notable legislative measures that were a priority for ACSA included:



### **AB 1220 (Weber) & AB 1164 (Thurmond) Re: Extension of Probationary Period**

ACSA's Governmental Relations team helped shepherd an effort in the legislature to extend the teacher probationary period. Despite historical resistance to previous efforts, ACSA helped lead a coalition to push AB 1220 out of the Assembly with overwhelming bipartisan support. Despite the success and unprecedented support in the Assembly, the bill met significant resistance in the Senate due to the opposition of California Teachers Association (CTA). A similar measure, AB 1164, was introduced with language developed by CTA that would force administrators to show cause prior to separating from a teacher in their probationary period. ACSA opposed the alternative measure and both bills met a stalemate in the Senate Education Committee. There is likely to be significant legislative activity on the issue of the probationary period in 2018. Our team believes the political environment might be right to finally make a meaningful change to these policies in the coming year.

### **AB 1217 (Bocanegra/Portantino) Re: State STEM Schools**

This legislation sought to establish a new specialized state school for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) in Los Angeles County. This "state school" would be governed by a nonprofit public benefit corporation, and an appointed board that would submit a plan to and be approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. While the intent of establishing a STEM school seems valid, the bill set a troubling precedent by having the Legislature authorize a state school. This runs counter to local control by circumventing the local processes, community input and oversight. ACSA opposed AB 1217 and helped lead a broad coalition to fight this measure. On the last night of the legislative session, and after weeks of the coalition putting immense pressure on the Legislature, the bill stalled on the Senate floor. It was clear that the Senate did not have the 21 votes needed to pass the measure. It is a short-term win for the opposition, who fought bad policy and tricky politics surrounding this bill. This bill is likely to reemerge in January 2018.

### **SB 328 (Portantino) Re: School Start Time**

This legislation would have prohibited public middle and high schools from starting the school day before 8:30 a.m. Proponents argue that a substantial body of research demonstrates that delaying school start times is an effective countermeasure to chronic sleep loss and has a wide range of potential benefits to students. In particular, allowing students more time to sleep-in would benefit students' physical and mental health, safety, and academic achievement. Opponents argue that while some of the research is compelling, districts already have the discretion over what time to begin the school day. This local discretion should be used to determine school start times based on local needs, taking into account potential impacts on transportation and time for extracurricular activities, rather than mandating a one-size-fits all statewide start time.

The Assembly took up the measure on the second to last day of session, but the bill failed to get the 41 votes needed to move on to the governor. The bill was granted re-consideration by the Assembly and could be acted on next year.

### **SB 607 (Skinner) Re: Willful Defiance**

This legislation related to willful defiance suspensions and expulsions failed to get out of the Legislature and has become a two-year bill. Specifically, SB 607 would permanently eliminate suspensions and expulsions for willful defiance for grades K-5 and would prohibit willful defiance suspensions and expulsions for grades 6-12 through 2023. The bill's sponsors were adamant throughout the year that the bill apply to grades K-12. ACSA pushed back, saying the bill would have limited the authority of school leaders and that insufficient data exists demonstrating the need for the bill. A compromise with the governor's office was reached the last week of session but not in time to beat the legislative deadline. The negotiated language will move quickly next year, as the current willful defiance statute sunsets July 1, 2018.

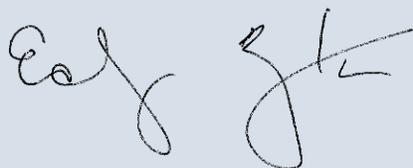
### **Budget Advocacy**

As in every year, the 2017-18 state budget was at the forefront of our advocacy during this legislative year. ACSA can be credited for successfully advocating that a COLA be added to the K-12 Mandate Block Grant on an ongoing basis. Our team's advocacy also helped secure greater flexibility for early education programs, an increase of \$3.2 billion in Proposition 98 compared to the 2016-17 school year, and getting the Legislature to release more than \$850 million in one-time discretionary funding in 2017-18 instead of delaying the appropriation until May 2019 like the governor had proposed.

In addition to the above highlights, this report will provide a section covering ACSA's priority bills from the legislative session along with a comprehensive listing of all pertinent education bills that were acted upon by the governor. You can visit our website at [www.acsa.org](http://www.acsa.org) for a complete listing of all legislation tracked by ACSA.

On behalf of the entire Government Relations team, I can say that it is an extreme privilege and responsibility to represent your administrator voices in the policy making process. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you ever have any questions, comments, or feedback. We always enjoy hearing from our members.

Sincerely,



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Association of California School Administrators

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## PRIORITY LEGISLATION

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### ASSESSMENT | TESTING

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#### **AB 830** (**Kalra D**) **High school exit examination: repeal.**

**Summary:** Repeals the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) and eliminates the requirement to pass the CAHSEE as a condition of graduation from high school.

**ACSA Position:** Support

**Status:** 10/10/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 641, Statutes of 2017.

### CHARTER SCHOOLS

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#### **AB 1360** (**Bonta D**) **Charter schools: pupil admissions, suspensions, and expulsions.**

**Summary:** Specifies that a charter school petition include clear and specific procedures for the suspension or expulsion of a student for disciplinary reasons or otherwise involuntarily removed, disenrolled, dismissed, transferred or terminated from the charter school for any reason.

**ACSA Position:** Support

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 760, Statutes of 2017.

### CHILD HEALTH | NUTRITION

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#### **AB 10** (**Garcia, Cristina D**) **Feminine hygiene products: public school restrooms.**

**Summary:** Requires public schools serving students in grades 6 to 12, that meets the 40% pupil poverty threshold required to operate a federal Title I program, to stock at least 50% of the school's restrooms with feminine hygiene products at all times and to provide those products at no charge.

**ACSA Position:** Support if amended

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 687, Statutes of 2017.

#### **SB 250** (**Hertzberg D**) **Pupil meals: Child Hunger Prevention and Fair Treatment Act of 2017.**

**Summary:** Requires LEA's to ensure that a pupil whose parent or guardian has unpaid school meal fees is not shamed, treated differently or served a meal that differs from what a pupil whose parent or guardian does not have unpaid school meal fees would receive. Under SB 250, LEA's must attempt to directly certify students who have unpaid school meal fees for the free or reduced price meal program prior to notifying the parent or guardian of the unpaid fee. Finally, this bill prohibits disciplinary action or the denial or delay of a nutritionally adequate meal to that student because of an unpaid fee.

**ACSA Position:** Watch

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 726, Statutes of 2017.

### CURRICULUM | INSTRUCTION

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#### **AB 341** (**Frazier D**) **School field trips: expenses.**

**Summary:** Authorizes school district funds to cover the expenses of pupils participating in field trips or excursions to other states, the District of Columbia, or a foreign country.

**ACSA Position:** Approve

**Status:** 7/10/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 40, Statutes of 2017.

## EMPLOYEE/EMPLOYER RELATIONS | EVALUATIONS | DISMISSALS

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### **AB 568** ([Gonzalez Fletcher D](#)) **School and community college employees: paid maternity leave.**

**Summary:** Requires a school district, charter school or community college to provide at least 6 weeks of full paid leave of absence for a certificated employee who is required to be absent due to pregnancy, miscarriage, childbirth and recovery.

**ACSA Position:** Oppose

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 568 without my signature. This bill requires school districts, charter schools, and community colleges to provide at least six weeks of full pay for pregnancy related leaves of absence taken by certificated, academic and classified employees. I have signed two previous bills, AB 2393 of 2016 and AB 375 of 2015, that allow these employees to receive differential pay for maternity and paternity leave. I believe further decisions regarding leave policies for school employees are best resolved through the collective bargaining process at the local level. I would also encourage districts to consider participating in the State Disability Insurance program that would allow these employees to receive pay in addition to what is already being provided. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

### **AB 621** ([Bocanegra D](#)) **Classified employees: Classified School Employees Summer Furlough Fund.**

**Summary:** Authorizes certain classified school employees to participate in the Classified School Employees Summer Furlough Fund with each \$1 deposited by the employee to be matched by \$2 from Proposition 98.

**ACSA Position:** Oppose

**Status:** 10/8/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 621 without my signature. This bill creates a fund to allow specific classified school employees to contribute earnings voluntarily that are matched by the state on a two-to-one basis, for the purposes of providing income during times when these employees are not receiving a salary. Employee compensation is a matter subject to local collective bargaining. This bill reduces the flexibility of local educational agencies and bargaining units to agree on employee compensation in a manner that reflects local needs, resources and priorities. For these reasons, I cannot sign this bill. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

### **AB 670** ([Thurmond D](#)) **Classified employees: part-time playground positions.**

**Summary:** Adds part-time playground positions in non-merit districts to the classified service.

**ACSA Position:** Oppose

**Status:** 10/8/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 582, Statutes of 2017. Becomes law on 1/1/18.

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

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### **AB 81** ([Gonzalez Fletcher D](#)) **English learners: identification: notice.**

**Summary:** Provides vital information in a notification letter to parents at the time the Home Language Survey be provided that explains the purpose of the survey and the procedures for identification and reclassification of English learners. We appreciate that the legislation will authorize local educational agencies (LEAs) with the ability to send an alternative notice to comply with this requirement, as LEAs could simply amend existing enrollment forms that are currently sent to parents and guardians at the beginning of the school year. This will help to mitigate negligible costs that may be associated with the implementation of the legislation.

**ACSA Position:** Support

**Status:** 10/9/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 609, Statutes of 2017. Becomes law on 1/1/18.

## GOVERNANCE

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### **AB 261 (Thurmond D) School districts: governing boards: pupil members: preferential voting.**

**Summary:** Requires a student member of a school district governing board to preferential voting rights. Preferential voting is an opinion that is recorded into the minutes of the governing board meeting and the vote cast before the official vote of the school district.

**ACSA Position:** Support

**Status:** 9/23/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 257, Statutes of 2017.

## IMMIGRATION

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### **AB 699 (O'Donnell D) Educational equity: immigration and citizenship status.**

**Summary:** Requires the state's Attorney General to develop model policies limiting assistance with immigration enforcement at public schools, and requires school districts to adopt the model policies or equivalent policies by July 1, 2018. Among other things, the policies will have to include procedures for handling requests to enter campus and requests for sensitive student information made by federal immigration officials. AB 699 also prohibits schools from collecting information related to citizenship or immigration status from pupils or family members.

**ACSA Position:** Support

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 493, Statutes of 2017.

### **SB 54 (De León D) Law enforcement: sharing data.**

**Summary:** Limits state and local law enforcement's communication with federal immigration authorities, and prevents officers from questioning and holding people on immigration violations. These limitations apply to school police and security departments which will also be restricted from using their resources to investigate, interrogate, detain, detect, or arrest persons for federal immigration purposes.

**ACSA Position:** Watch

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 495, Statutes of 2017.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am signing Senate Bill 54, the California Values Act. This bill states that local authorities will not ask about immigration status during routine interactions. It also bans unconstitutional detainer requests and prohibits the commandeering of local officials to do the work of immigration agents. The bill further directs our Attorney General to promulgate model policies for local and state health, education, labor and judiciary officials to follow when they deal with immigration matters. In enshrining these new protections, it is important to note what the bill does not do. This bill does not prevent or prohibit Immigration and Customs Enforcement or the Department of Homeland Security from doing their own work in any way. They are free to use their own considerable resources to enforce federal immigration law in California. Moreover, the bill does not prohibit sheriffs from granting immigration authorities access to California jails to conduct routine interviews, nor does it prevent cooperation in deportation proceedings from anyone in state prison or for those in local jails for any of the hundreds of serious offenses listed in the TRUST Act. These are uncertain times for undocumented Californians and their families, and this bill strikes a balance that will protect public safety, while bringing a measure of comfort to those families who are now living in fear every day. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

## SCHOOL FINANCE | LCFF | PARCEL TAXES

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### **SB 527 (Galgiani D) Education finance: local control funding formula: home-to-school transportation: cost-of-living adjustment.**

**Summary:** Requires state funding for county superintendents of schools, school districts, and charter schools to be calculated pursuant to the Local Control Funding Formula, and requires funds received for specified pupil transportation programs to be included as part of the LCFF. Current law requires those local educational agencies receiving funds for specified pupil transportation programs to maintain a maintenance of effort for those programs. This bill would, commencing with the 2018–19 fiscal year, have provided a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA for transportation programs for all school districts receiving this funding.

**ACSA Position:** Support

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 527 without my signature. This bill provides for an annual cost-of-living adjustment to the amount of funding that local schools and county offices of education receive from the Home-to-School Transportation program. While I recognize the increasing call on local resources for competing priorities and the importance of providing student transportation, the Local Control Funding Formula provides local schools and county offices of education with substantial flexibility and autonomy to implement and augment programs that meet the educational needs of their students and local communities. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

### **SB 751 (Hill D) School finance: school districts: annual budgets: reserve balance.**

**Summary:** Modifies the school district reserve cap law established in 2014 in the state budget. Current law mandates that, if certain economic conditions are met, a reserve limit (or “cap”) would become active and would affect all California school districts. SB 751 exempts basic aid districts and small districts with ADA of 2,500 or less from this law. The bill also modifies the conditions under which the reserve cap would be triggered to require an accumulation of an amount equal to at least 3 percent of the Proposition 98 minimum guarantee before the reserve cap is imposed. The cap, if it is triggered, would be 10% and applies to assigned and unassigned ending balances in the general fund.

**ACSA Position:** Neutral

**Status:** 10/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 674, Statutes of 2017.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am signing SB 751. This bill makes reasonable and appropriate changes to existing law to provide schools with adequate flexibility necessary to maintain fiscal solvency while simultaneously prioritizing the education of students they are currently serving. However, further clarification in the form of a technical amendment is necessary regarding the application of the 10 percent cap to ensure that this bill is implemented as intended should the reserve cap ever be triggered. I will direct the Department of Finance to work with the author's staff to ensure that this technical amendment is incorporated in cleanup legislation next year. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

## SCHOOL SAFETY

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### **AB 424 (McCarty D) Possession of a firearm in a school zone.**

**Summary:** Removes the authority of school superintendents to provide permission to employees to possess a firearm within a school zone given they had a concealed weapon permit. The bill does not apply to schools that offer sanctioned shooting sports or activities, including trap shooting, sporting clays and pistol shooting.

**ACSA Position:** Neutral

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 779, Statutes of 2017.

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## 2017 LEGISLATION TO THE GOVERNOR

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*The following legislation was tracked by ACSA and made it to the governor's desk for action.*

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### ACCOUNTABILITY

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#### **SB 390 (Mendoza D) Local control and accountability plans: annual goals: state priorities: model school library standards.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.

**Summary:** Current law requires the governing board of each school district and each county board of education to adopt a local control and accountability plan using a template adopted by the State Board of Education. Current law requires the local control and accountability plan to include a description of the annual goals to be achieved for each of certain state priorities, which include implementation of the academic content and performance standards adopted by the state board, as specified, and the specific actions that will be taken to achieve the annual goals. This bill would add to the enumerated state priorities specified consideration of the Model School Library Standards for California Public Schools.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 390 without my signature. This bill adds the implementation of the Model School Library Standards as a new state priority area under the local control funding formula that county offices of education and school districts must address in their local control accountability plans. I believe this bill is unnecessary. The Model School Library Standards are already considered in these plans under priority two of the local control accountability plan.

**Position:** Oppose

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### ADULT EDUCATION

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#### **AB 1604 (Nazarian D) CalWORKs: welfare-to-work: education.**

**Status:** 9/26/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 303, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would provide that after a county determines that a CalWORKs recipient has received specified services, but has not received his or her high school diploma or its equivalent, the recipient may participate in a high school equivalency program in order to complete a high school equivalency test recognized by the State Department of Education. The bill would prohibit a county from requiring the recipient to participate in an assessment before the recipient may engage in a high school equivalency program in satisfaction of welfare-to-work requirements under those circumstances.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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### ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION / CONTINUATION SCHOOL

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#### **AB 1124 (Cervantes D) Juvenile court school pupils: graduation requirements and continued education options.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 754, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law provides that if a pupil completes the statewide coursework requirements for graduation while attending a juvenile court school, a county office of education is required to issue to the pupil a diploma of graduation and shall not require the pupil to complete coursework or other requirements that are in addition to the statewide coursework requirements. This bill would, notwithstanding the above requirement, permit the pupil,

upon agreement between the county office of education and the pupil or the person holding the right to make educational decisions for the pupil, to take coursework or other requirements adopted by the governing board of the county office of education, and to defer the granting of the diploma until the pupil is released from the juvenile detention facility.

**Position:** Support

**AB 1371 (Stone, Mark D) Juveniles: ward, dependent, and nonminor dependent parents.**

**Status:** 10/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 666, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes a social worker, in lieu of filing a petition or subsequent to dismissal of a petition already filed, and with the consent of the child's parent or guardian, to undertake a program of supervision of the child. If the parent is a dependent of the juvenile court at the time that a social worker seeks to undertake a program of supervision, and if counsel has been appointed for the parent, current law prohibits the program of supervision from being undertaken until the parent has consulted with his or her counsel. This bill would make this prohibition applicable to a parent who is a nonminor dependent or ward of the juvenile court.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 304 (Portantino D) Juvenile court school pupils: joint transition planning policy: individualized transition plan.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.

**Summary:** Would require a pupil detained for more than 20 consecutive schooldays to have an individualized transition plan, as specified, to be developed by the county office of education in collaboration with the county probation department, and to have a transition portfolio, as described, developed by the county office of education to be accessible to the pupil upon his or her release. The bill would require, for pupils detained for 20 consecutive schooldays or less, the pupil's individualized learning plan, if one exists, to be made available by the county office of education to the pupil upon his or her release.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 304 without my signature. This bill requires a county office of education and county probation department to include in their joint transition planning policy an individualized plan and transition portfolio for juvenile court school students detained for more than 20 consecutive days. I signed Assembly Bill 2276 in 2014, which requires a county office of education and probation department to develop a joint transition planning policy to assist students transitioning from juvenile court schools to other schools. I believe this provides sufficient guidance to get the job done.

**Position:** Disapprove

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## **ALTERNATIVES TO DISCIPLINE**

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**AB 233 (Gloria D) Pupils: right to wear religious, ceremonial, or cultural adornments at school graduation ceremonies.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Would declare that, notwithstanding any other law, a pupil has the right to wear religious, ceremonial, or cultural adornments, as defined, at school graduation ceremonies. The bill would also declare that nothing in its provisions shall be construed to limit a local educational agency's authority to prohibit an item that is likely to cause a substantial disruption of, or interference with, the ceremony or to expand or diminish any pupil rights established under specified provisions related to school dress codes and pupil freedom of speech.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 233 without my signature. This bill provides that a student has the right to wear specific adornments at school graduation ceremonies. Students in California have a well-established right to express their views through symbolic acts under the state Education Code and the Free Speech Clause of the First Amendment. See *Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Community School Dist.* (1969) 393 U.S. 503, 506. Under these precedents, student expression is

clearly protected. To the extent that there is a dispute about what a student can wear at school graduation ceremonies, I believe those closest to the problem -- principals and democratically elected school boards -- are in the best position to make wise judgments. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Neutral

**AB 667 (Reyes D) Pupil discipline: suspension: informal conference.**

**Status:** 10/3/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 445, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires a suspension by the principal, the principal's designee, or the district superintendent of schools to be preceded by an informal conference conducted by the principal, the principal's designee, or the district superintendent of schools between the pupil and, whenever practicable, the teacher, supervisor, or school employee who referred the pupil to the principal, the principal's designee, or the district superintendent of schools. Current law requires a pupil, at the conference, to be informed of the reason for the disciplinary action and the evidence against him or her, and given the opportunity to present his or her version and evidence in his or her defense. This bill would require a pupil, at the conference, to also be informed of the other means of correction that were attempted before the suspension.

**Position:** Watch

**AB 878 (Gipson D) Juveniles: restraints.**

**Status:** 10/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 660, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize the use of mechanical restraints on a juvenile during transportation outside of a local secure juvenile facility, camp, ranch, or forestry camp, only upon a determination by the probation department, in consultation with the transporting agency, that restraints are necessary to prevent physical harm to the juvenile or another person or due to a substantial risk of flight.

**Position:** Staff – watch

**AB 1261 (Berman D) Pupil discipline: pupil suicide prevention.**

**Status:** 9/11/2017-Stricken from file.

**Summary:** Would require, in developing a pupil suicide prevention policy in consultation with school and community stakeholders, school-employed mental health professionals, and suicide prevention experts, a local educational agency with a mandatory expulsion policy or zero tolerance policy for the use of, possession of, or being under the influence of, alcohol, an intoxicant, or a controlled substance to consider whether the mandatory expulsion policy or zero tolerance policy is deterring pupils from seeking help for substance abuse. By imposing additional duties on local educational agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1261 without my signature. This bill would require local educational agencies, when adopting suicide prevention policies, to consider whether zero tolerance policies for alcohol or drugs deter pupils from seeking treatment for substance abuse. I agree with the goal of this bill but believe this is a matter more appropriately handled at the local level. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Support

**SB 190 (Mitchell D) Juveniles.**

**Status:** 10/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 678, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law provides that the board of supervisors of any county may authorize the correctional administrator to offer a program under which inmates committed to a county jail or other county correctional facility or granted probation, or inmates participating in a work furlough program, may voluntarily participate or involuntarily be placed in a home detention program during their sentence in lieu of confinement in a county jail or other county correctional facility or program. Current law authorizes the board of supervisors to prescribe a program administrative fee and an application fee for this program. This bill would make those fees payable only by

adult participants of that home detention program who are over 21 years of age and under the jurisdiction of the criminal court.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## ASSESSMENT | TESTING

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### **AB 1035 (O'Donnell D) Pupil assessments: interim assessments: purposes of use.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 752, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the State Board of Education, and any other entity or individual designated by the Governor to participate in the Common Core State Standards Initiative consortium or any related interstate consortium, as specified. Current law requires the State Department of Education to acquire, and offer at no cost to local educational agencies, interim and formative assessment tools for kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, as provided through membership in that consortium. This bill would require those interim assessments to be designed to provide timely feedback to teachers that they may use to continually adjust instruction to improve pupil learning.

**Position:** Approve

### **SB 494 (Hueso D) Language arts: reading: grant program.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.

**Summary:** Would establish the Golden State Reading Guarantee grant program, which would be administered by the State Department of Education. The bill would require a local educational agency that chooses to apply for a grant to submit an application that contains certain minimum information to the department, in a format and by a date determined by the department. The bill would provide requirements for eligibility for a grant and for spending grant funds.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 494 without my signature. This bill would establish the Golden State Reading grant program for the purpose of assisting local educational agencies to ensure that all students meet specified reading standards and language skills by the end of the third grade. Local educational agencies already have the flexibility under the Local Control Funding Formula to provide students the support they need to ensure that appropriate reading and language skills are achieved. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Oppose

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## ATTENDANCE | TRUANCY

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### **AB 760(Arambula D) Pupils: minimum schoolday: concurrent enrollment: joint powers agreement.**

**Status:** 7/10/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 47, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current, which becomes inoperative July 1, 2017, and is repealed on January 1, 2018, establishes, commencing with the 2008–09 fiscal year, 180 minutes as the minimum schoolday for a pupil concurrently enrolled in regular secondary school classes and classes operating pursuant to a joint powers agreement, as specified. This provision specifies the methods for including these pupils in the computation of the average daily attendance of the affected school district. This bill would delete the language that renders this provision inoperative on July 1, 2017, and repeals it on January 1, 2018, thereby extending the operation of this provision indefinitely.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **SB 344 (Bradford D) School attendance: interdistrict attendance.**

**Status:** 10/3/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 461, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes the governing boards of 2 or more school districts to enter into an agreement for the interdistrict attendance of pupils who are residents of the school districts. Current law provides for appeal to the county board of education if the governing board of either school district fails to approve a request within a specified time period or the governing board fails or refuses to enter into an agreement. Current law requires the county board of education, within 30 calendar days after the appeal is filed, to determine whether the pupil should be permitted to attend the school in which the pupil desires to attend unless the county board of education is located in a class 1 or class 2 county, as defined, in which case the county board of education, until July 1, 2018, is required to make this determination within 40 schooldays. This bill, in regard to appeals in a class 1 or class 2 county, would instead require the county board of education in a class 1 county, until July 1, 2023, to make the determination within 60 calendar days and the county board of education in a class 2 county, until July 1, 2019, to make the determination within 45 calendar days.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **SB 455 (Newman D) Pupil enrollment: military dependents.**

**Status:** 9/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 239, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law states that a pupil complies with the residency requirements if the pupil's parent is transferred or is pending transfer to a military installation within the boundaries of the school district while on active military duty pursuant to an official military order, and requires a parent to provide proof of residence within 10 days after the published arrival date provided on official documentation. This bill would instead provide that a pupil complies with the residency requirements if the pupil's parent is transferred or is pending transfer to a military installation within the state while on active military duty pursuant to an official military order, and would require a parent to provide proof of residence in the school district within 10 days after the published arrival date provided on official documentation.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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### **AB 677(Chiu D) Data collection: sexual orientation.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 744, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would prohibit a local educational agency that chooses to administer a voluntary survey already including questions pertaining to sexual orientation and gender identity from removing those questions. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 691(Levine D) Pupil nutrition: almond milk.**

**Status:** 9/30/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 382, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law prohibits the governing board of a school district from entering into a contract that grants exclusive or nonexclusive advertising or grants the right to the exclusive or nonexclusive sale of carbonated beverages, nonnutritious beverages, or nonnutritious food within the school district to a person, business, or corporation unless the governing board of the school district has adopted a policy after a public hearing to ensure that the school district has internal controls in place regarding the expenditure of the public funds. Current law defines “nonnutritious beverages,” for purposes of that provision. This bill would specify, for purposes of exclusion from the definition of “nonnutritious beverages,” that milk also includes almond milk.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 841(Weber D) Pupil nutrition: food and beverages: advertising: corporate incentive programs.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 843, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would prohibit, except as provided, a school, school district, or charter school from advertising food or beverages during the schoolday, as provided, and from participating in a corporate incentive program that rewards pupils with free or discounted foods or beverages that do not comply with specified nutritional standards when the pupils reach certain academic goals. The bill would provide that it is the intent of the Legislature that the governing board or body of a school district and a charter school annually review their compliance with these provisions.

**Position:** Disapprove

### **AB 1316 (Quirk D) Public health: childhood lead poisoning: prevention.**

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 507, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Act of 1991 required the State Department of Public Health (formerly the State Department of Health Services) between July 1, 1992, and July 1, 1993, to adopt regulations establishing a standard of care at least as stringent as the most recent United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention screening guidelines, whereby all children are evaluated for risk of lead poisoning by health care providers during each child’s periodic health assessment. This bill, among other things, would change the definition of “lead poisoning” to include concentrations of lead in arterial or cord blood.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 1502 (Thurmond D) Free or reduced-price school meals: direct certification.**

**Status:** 7/21/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 91, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the State Department of Education to create a computerized data matching system using existing databases from the State Department of Education and the State Department of Health Care Services to directly certify recipients of CalFresh, the CalWORKs program, and other programs authorized for direct certification for enrollment in the federal National School Lunch Program and the federal School Breakfast Program. Current law requires the State Department of Health Care Services to conduct the data match of local school records and return a list to the State Department of Education. This bill would instead require the State Department of Health Care Services or the State Department of Education to conduct the data match of local school records to determine program eligibility.

**Position:** Approve

**SB 138 (McGuire D) School meal programs: free and reduced-price meals: universal meal service.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 724, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would, on or before September 1, 2018, require a school district or county superintendent of schools that has a very high poverty school, as defined, in its jurisdiction to apply to operate a federal universal meal service provision pursuant to specified federal law, and to begin providing breakfast and lunch free of charge through the universal meal service to all pupils at the very high poverty school upon state approval to operate that service. The bill would authorize a school district or county superintendent of schools to stop providing the universal free meal service at a school if the school ceases to be a very high poverty school.

**Position:** Staff – watch

**SB 220 (Pan D) Medi-Cal Children’s Health Advisory Panel.**

**Status:** 9/25/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 280, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law establishes the Medi-Cal Children’s Health Advisory Panel for the purpose of advising the Department of Health Care Services on matters relevant to all children enrolled in Medi-Cal and their families. Current law requires the department to pay a per-meeting stipend to each advisory panel member who is a Medi-Cal enrollee or parent of a Medi-Cal enrollee. This bill would revise the qualification criteria for the 3 panel positions filled by parent members described above to instead fill those positions with 3 members who are either Medi-Cal enrollees who have received Medi-Cal benefits or services in relation to a pregnancy, or who are a parent, foster parent, relative caregiver, or legal guardian of a Medi-Cal enrollee who is 21 years of age or younger.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 379 (Atkins D) Pupil health: oral health assessment.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 772, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires a public school, using a standardized notification form developed and posted online by the State Department of Education in consultation with interested persons, to notify parents and legal guardians of the oral health assessment requirement. Current law requires a school district to send a report by December 31 of each year containing information related to the assessments to the county office of education in the county in which the school district is located. Current law requires the Office of Oral Health of the Chronic Disease Control Branch of the State Department of Public Health to conduct an evaluation of, and submit a report related to, these requirements by January 1, 2010. This bill would require the State Department of Education to also consult with the state dental director in developing and posting online the standardized notification form and would require the department, in consultation with those entities, to revise the standardized form as necessary.

**Position:** Neutral

**SB 730 (Pan D) Pupil nutrition: National School Lunch Act: Buy American provision: compliance.**

**Status:** 10/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 571, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require the State Department of Education to take certain actions to monitor and support school food authorities’ compliance with the Buy American provision. The bill would state that its provisions are operative only to the extent mandated under federal law.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**ACR 74 (Garcia, Cristina D) California Physical Education Week.**

**Status:** 5/26/2017-Chaptered by Secretary of State- Chapter 64, Statutes of 2017

**Summary:** This measure would proclaim the week of May 1, 2017, to May 7, 2017, inclusive, as California Physical Education Week and would encourage physical education teachers, school administrators responsible for the planning and supervision of physical education, and governing boards of school districts setting policy for physical education to promote the highest quality physical education year round and in future years.

**Position:** Support

**SB 169 (Jackson D) Education: sex equity.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.

**Summary:** Would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above. This bill contains other existing laws.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 169 without my signature. This bill would codify a combination of federal regulations and guidance on sexual harassment - some of which has been repealed, some of which is still in effect - as well as some language from model policies that have been developed by California universities. This is not a simple issue. Sexual harassment and sexual violence are serious and complicated matters for colleges to resolve. On the one side are complainants who come forward to seek justice and protection; on the other side stand accused students, who, guilty or not, must be treated fairly and with the presumption of innocence until the facts speak otherwise. Then, as we know, there are victims who never come forward, and perpetrators who walk free. Justice does not come easily in this environment. That is why in 2014 I signed into law the first affirmative consent standard in the country for colleges to adopt in their sexual assault policies, so that clear and basic parameters for responsible behavior could be established. Yes Means Yes, along with its attendant preponderance standard, is the law in California, which only the courts or a future legislature can change. Since this law was enacted, however, thoughtful legal minds have increasingly questioned whether federal and state actions to prevent and redress sexual harassment and assault - well-intentioned as they are - have also unintentionally resulted in some colleges' failure to uphold due process for accused students. Depriving any student of higher education opportunities should not be done lightly, or out of fear of losing state or federal funding. Given the strong state of our laws already, I am not prepared to codify additional requirements in reaction to a shifting federal landscape, when we haven't yet ascertained the full impact of what we recently enacted. We have no insight into how many formal investigations result in expulsion, what circumstances lead to expulsion, or whether there is disproportionate impact on race or ethnicity. We may need more statutory requirements than what this bill contemplates. We may need fewer. Or still yet, we may need simply to fine tune what we have. It is time to pause and survey the land. I strongly believe that additional reflection and investment of time in understanding what is happening on the ground will help us exercise due care in this complex arena. I intend to convene a group of knowledgeable persons who can help us chart the way forward. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Support

**AB 170(O'Donnell D) Teacher credentialing.**

**Status:** 7/24/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 123, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law establishes minimum requirements for the issuance of a preliminary teaching credential, multiple or single subject, which include possession of a baccalaureate degree in a subject other than professional education. This bill would no longer require, for issuance of a multiple subject teaching credential or a preliminary multiple subject teaching credential, that the baccalaureate degree be in a subject other than professional education.

**Position:** Support

**AB 226(Cervantes D) Teacher credentialing: spouses of active duty members of the Armed Forces: expedited application process.**

**Status:** 10/3/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 436, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to, among other duties, establish standards for the issuance and renewal of credentials, certificates, and permits. This bill would require the commission to grant or deny a completed application for a credential within 7 days of the date that the commission received the application if the applicant supplies the commission with evidence that the applicant is married to, or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with, an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is assigned to a duty station in this state under official active duty military orders and holds a valid teaching credential in another state, district, or territory of the United States.

**Position:** Approve

**AB 681(Chau D) Teacher credentialing: teacher preparation outside of the United States: temporary certificates.**

**Status:** 9/1/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 199, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to, among other duties, establish standards for the issuance and renewal of credentials, certificates, and permits. This bill would authorize the commission to determine that the national standards for coursework, programs, or degrees in a country other than the United States are equivalent to those offered by a regionally accredited institution in the United States. The bill would provide that, if the commission determines that the other country's national standards are equivalent, an individual who holds or is eligible for a credential in that country is presumed to have satisfied specified requirements for obtaining a credential.

**Position:** Support

**AB 952(Reyes D) Teachers: Bilingual Teacher Professional Development Program: bilingual teacher shortage pathways.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Current law establishes the Bilingual Teacher Professional Development Program and requires the State Department of Education to allocate grant funding to local educational agencies or a consortia of local educational agencies for purposes of providing professional development services to specified teachers and paraprofessionals to provide instruction to English learners. This bill would require the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, on or before July 1, 2020, in consultation with the Committee on Accreditation, to develop a process for the purpose of identifying short-term, high-quality pathways to address the shortage of bilingual education teachers, as provided.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 952 without my signature. This bill requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to identify additional short-term pathways for individuals to become bilingual teachers. California recently provided funds to support teachers and paraprofessionals interested in becoming bilingual teachers. This past spring the Commission awarded one-time

grants to higher education institutions that sought to create or improve four-year integrated teacher education programs, including for bilingual teachers. Before making additional investments on this matter I believe it's wise to first assess the success of our current programs. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Support

**AB 1122 (Limón D) Teachers: best practice guidance: dual-language and multilanguage educational programs.**

**Status:** 10/9/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Would require the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to develop best practice guidance on the establishment of partnerships between local educational agencies and institutions of higher education to offer integrated teacher preparation programs to teach in dual-language and multilanguage educational programs, as specified. The bill would require the commission to make this guidance available on the commission's Internet Web site on or before September 1, 2019.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1122 without my signature. This bill requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to provide guidance in establishing partnerships between school districts and higher education institutions on the subject of bilingual teacher preparation programs. I believe this bill is unnecessary. California recently funded programs to recruit additional teachers, including bilingual education teachers. I want to assess the success of these efforts before spending additional money on new programs. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1399 (Nazarian D) Teacher credentialing: recognition of study in genocide, atrocities, and human rights.**

**Status:** 10/10/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Would authorize the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to convene a workgroup to advise the commission on the establishment of program standards for the issuance of a recognition of study in genocide, atrocities, and human rights for holders of a single subject teaching credential and would authorize the commission to add this recognition of study to the single subject teaching credential of a teacher who meets the program standards established by the workgroup.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1399 without my signature. This bill authorizes the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to develop program standards on the subject of genocide, atrocities and human rights. The State Board of Education has already recognized the study of genocide and human rights in California's History-Social Science Framework. This framework specifically includes the subject of the Armenian Genocide. In addition, the 2017 Budget Act includes \$10 million of professional development and training for teachers, administrators and paraprofessionals on the Framework, which will include the Armenian Genocide. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Approve

**AB 23 (Ridley-Thomas D) Educational programs: single gender schools and classes.**

**Status:** 10/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 654, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes the governing board of a school district to initiate and carry on any program or activity, or to otherwise act in any manner which is not in conflict or inconsistent with, or preempted by, any law and which is not in conflict with the purposes for which school districts are established. This bill, until January 1, 2025, would authorize a school district with an average daily attendance of 400,000 or more pupils to maintain any single gender schools and classes that were enrolling pupils as of July 1, 2017, if certain requirements are met. The bill would authorize a charter school authorized by a school district with an average daily attendance of 400,000 or more pupils that was operating as a single gender school or with single gender classes as of July 1, 2017, to be maintained as a single gender school or to maintain single gender classes, if those same requirements are met.

**Position:** Approve

**AB 24 (Eggman D) Instructional programs: State Seal of Civic Engagement.**

**Status:** 10/9/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 604, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require the Superintendent, on or before January 1, 2020, to recommend to the State Board of Education criteria for awarding a State Seal of Civic Engagement to pupils who have demonstrated excellence in civics education and participation and have demonstrated an understanding of the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the democratic system of government. The bill would require the Superintendent to consider, among other criteria, the successful completion of history, government, and civics courses, including courses that incorporate character education, and voluntary participation in community service or extracurricular activities.

**Position:** Approve

**AB 37 (O'Donnell D) Pupil instruction: visual and performing arts: content standards in media arts.**

**Status:** 7/24/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 102, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require the Superintendent to additionally recommend visual and performing arts standards in the subject of media arts, and require those recommendations to go through the same development, public review, and approval process for recommended revisions to the visual and performing arts content standards, as specified.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 446(Bigelow R) Instructional materials: disposal of obsolete instructional materials.**

**Status:** 9/11/2017-Stricken from file.

**Summary:** Would authorize the State Board of Education, the governing board of a school district that is contiguous with an adjoining state, or a county office of education of a county that is contiguous with an adjoining state to dispose of surplus or undistributed obsolete instructional materials in its possession that are usable for educational purposes by donation to children or adults in that adjoining state for the purpose of increasing the general literacy of the people. The bill would encourage these entities to submit an intention to dispose of these obsolete instructional materials to public notice and comment procedures, as specified.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 446 without my signature. It would authorize a school district, county office of education or State Board of Education to donate surplus property or obsolete instructional materials to individuals in adjoining states. This bill is unnecessary. Current law already authorizes the donation of these obsolete materials to public agencies in other states. A school district or library in Nevada that receives materials from a California school district can certainly then donate materials to individuals in Nevada. Sincerely, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 643(Frazier D) Pupil instruction: abusive relationships.**

**Status:** 10/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 574, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law, the California Healthy Youth Act, requires school districts to ensure that all pupils in grades 7 to 12, inclusive, receive comprehensive sexual health education and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevention education, as specified. This bill would require the information included in the instruction about adolescent relationship abuse and intimate partner violence to also include the early warning signs thereof. To the extent that this requirement would impose additional duties on school districts, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

**Position:** Watch

**AB 738(Limón D) Pupil instruction: Native American studies: model curriculum.**

**Status:** 10/9/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 614, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require the Instructional Quality Commission to develop, and the State Board of Education to adopt, modify, or revise, a model curriculum in Native American studies, and would encourage each school district and charter school that maintains any of grades 9 to 12, inclusive, that does not otherwise offer a standards-based Native American studies curriculum to offer a course of study in Native American studies based on the model curriculum.

**Position:** Watch

**AB 1354 (Kiley R) Pupil instruction: repeal of programs.**

**Status:** 7/24/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 130, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to authorize the development of the Bill Bradley Human Relations Pilot Project for teaching a course on human relations and to take specified actions in that regard. Current law establishes the California International Studies Program, the Reading First Plan, Early Warning Program, the No Child Left Behind Liaison Team, the Education Technology Grant Act of 2002, the Educational Improvement Act of 1969, the School Improvement Act of 1970, the Education Improvement Incentive Program, the Demonstration of Restructuring in Public Education and the State Instructional Materials Fund. This bill would repeal all of the above-specified provisions. The bill would also repeal provisions relating to the sunset of obsolete programs.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1533 (O'Donnell D) Pupil instruction: College Promise Partnership Act.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 762, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law establishes the College Promise Partnership Act, and authorizes the Long Beach Community College District and the Long Beach Unified School District to enter into a partnership, as specified, to provide participating pupils with an aligned sequence of rigorous high school and college coursework leading to capstone college courses, as defined, with consistent and jointly established eligibility for college courses. Current law makes the act and related provisions necessary to implement the act inoperative on June 30, 2017, and repeals the act and those related provisions on January 1, 2018. This bill would extend the operation of the act and those related provisions indefinitely.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**ACR 58 (Chu D) Public schools: history education.**

**Status:** 7/13/2017-Chaptered by Secretary of State- Chapter 104, Statutes of 2017

**Summary:** This measure would urge the State Board of Education, county offices of education, and local school governing bodies to increase emphasis in their curricula on the bravery, sacrifice, and heroism of the United States and allied forces that engaged in military activity in the China-Burma-India Theater of World War II.

**Position:** Staff watch

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### **AB 26 (Caballero D) Child care and development: child care resource and referral programs: assistance to license-exempt child care providers.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** The Child Care and Development Services Act administered by the State Department of Education, requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to administer child care and development programs. Current law authorizes funds appropriated for purposes of the act to be used for child care resource and referral programs, which may be operated by public or private nonprofit entities and are required to provide certain information and services to parents and child care providers relating to child care services in a defined geographic area. This bill would, until July 1, 2022, require the department to establish and administer a pilot program to provide outreach, training, and technical assistance to license-exempt child care providers through county child care resource and referral programs.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 26 without my signature. The California Department of Education currently offers several programs that provide assistance to license-exempt child care providers. Additionally, resource and referral agencies already provide low-cost or free training in health, safety, child development and sound business practices. A new pilot program, undifferentiated from existing programs, seems unnecessary to establish at this time. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 258(Arambula D) Child care and development services: individualized county child care subsidy plan: County of Fresno.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 697, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize, until January 1, 2023, the County of Fresno to develop an individualized county child care subsidy plan, as specified. The bill would require the plan to be submitted to the local planning council and the Fresno County Board of Supervisors for approval, as specified. The bill would require the Early Education and Support Division of the State Department of Education to review and approve or disapprove the plan and any subsequent modifications to the plan and, in specified situations, would require the State Department of Social Services to only review the plan.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: Although I am signing Assembly Bills 258, 300, 377 and 435 - all of which allow specific counties to establish individualized county child care subsidy plans - the process for developing and approving individualized plans needs to be streamlined. Additionally, counties need to ensure that CalWORKs families in Stage I child care are not inadvertently disadvantaged when crafting these plans. Thus, I am directing my administration to work with the Department of Education and the specific counties named in these bills to implement whatever administrative or statutory changes are needed to reduce the bureaucratic burden that has become all too commonplace in the development and oversight of these plans. Changes should be expedited, so that counties can proceed with the business of serving families in the most appropriate and efficient manner possible. Our programs in this area have become overly complicated and bureaucratic. We can and should establish a more efficient and flexible system for our local partners. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff – watch

### **AB 273(Aguar-Curry D) Child care services: eligibility.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 689, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Child Care and Development Services Act requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to administer child care and development programs that offer a full range of services for eligible children from infancy to 13 years of age. Current law establishes eligibility requirements and requires families to meet at least one requirement in each of 2 specified areas, including the area relating to why the family has a need for the child care service. This bill would include in the area relating to need, as a requirement that may be satisfied for purposes of

eligibility, that the family needs the child care services because the parents are engaged in an educational program for English language learners or to attain a high school diploma or general educational development certificate.

**Position:** Neutral

**AB 300(Caballero D) Child care and development services: individualized county child care subsidy plans: Counties of Monterey, San Benito, Santa Clara, and Santa Cruz.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 699, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize, until January 1, 2023, the Counties of Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz to develop individualized county child care subsidy plans, as specified. The bill would require the plans to be submitted by the counties to their local planning council and their respective county board of supervisors for approval, as specified. The bill would require the Early Education and Support Division of the State Department of Education to review and approve or disapprove the plans and any subsequent modifications to the plans and, in specified situations, would require the State Department of Social Services to only review the plans.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: Although I am signing Assembly Bills 258, 300, 377 and 435 - all of which allow specific counties to establish individualized county child care subsidy plans - the process for developing and approving individualized plans needs to be streamlined. Additionally, counties need to ensure that CalWORKs families in Stage I child care are not inadvertently disadvantaged when crafting these plans. Thus, I am directing my administration to work with the Department of Education and the specific counties named in these bills to implement whatever administrative or statutory changes are needed to reduce the bureaucratic burden that has become all too commonplace in the development and oversight of these plans. Changes should be expedited, so that counties can proceed with the business of serving families in the most appropriate and efficient manner possible. Our programs in this area have become overly complicated and bureaucratic. We can and should establish a more efficient and flexible system for our local partners. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 377(Frazier D) Child care subsidy plans: Counties of San Diego and Solano.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 701, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize, until January 1, 2023, the Counties of San Diego and Solano to develop and implement individualized county child care subsidy plans, as specified. The bill would require the plans to be submitted by the counties to their local planning council and their respective county board of supervisors for approval, as specified. The bill would require the Early Education and Support Division of the State Department of Education to review and approve or disapprove the plans and any subsequent modifications to the plans and, in specified situations, would require the State Department of Social Services to only review the plans.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: Although I am signing Assembly Bills 258, 300, 377 and 435 - all of which allow specific counties to establish individualized county child care subsidy plans - the process for developing and approving individualized plans needs to be streamlined. Additionally, counties need to ensure that CalWORKs families in Stage I child care are not inadvertently disadvantaged when crafting these plans. Thus, I am directing my administration to work with the Department of Education and the specific counties named in these bills to implement whatever administrative or statutory changes are needed to reduce the bureaucratic burden that has become all too commonplace in the development and oversight of these plans. Changes should be expedited, so that counties can proceed with the business of serving families in the most appropriate and efficient manner possible. Our programs in this area have become overly complicated and bureaucratic. We can and should establish a more efficient and flexible system for our local partners. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 435(Thurmond D) Child care subsidy plans: Counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, and Sonoma.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 703, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize, until January 1, 2023, the Counties of Contra Costa, Marin, and Sonoma to develop individualized county child care subsidy plans, as specified. The bill would require the plans to be submitted by the counties to their local planning council and their respective county board of supervisors for approval, as specified. The bill would require the Early Education and Support Division of the State Department of Education to review and approve or disapprove the plans and any subsequent modifications to the plans and, in specified situations, would require the State Department of Social Services to only review the plans.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: Although I am signing Assembly Bills 258, 300, 377 and 435 - all of which allow specific counties to establish individualized county child care subsidy plans - the process for developing and approving individualized plans needs to be streamlined. Additionally, counties need to ensure that CalWORKs families in Stage I child care are not inadvertently disadvantaged when crafting these plans. Thus, I am directing my administration to work with the Department of Education and the specific counties named in these bills to implement whatever administrative or statutory changes are needed to reduce the bureaucratic burden that has become all too commonplace in the development and oversight of these plans. Changes should be expedited, so that counties can proceed with the business of serving families in the most appropriate and efficient manner possible. Our programs in this area have become overly complicated and bureaucratic. We can and should establish a more efficient and flexible system for our local partners. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 480(Gonzalez Fletcher D) CalWORKs: welfare-to-work: necessary supportive services.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 690, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law generally requires a recipient of CalWORKs benefits to participate in welfare-to-work activities as a condition of eligibility for aid. Current law requires that necessary supportive services be available to participants in welfare-to-work activities, including child care, personal counseling, transportation costs, and ancillary expenses. This bill would, on and after April 1, 2018, require the above-described supportive services to additionally include the costs of diapers. The bill would make a participant who is participating in a welfare-to-work plan eligible for \$30 per month to assist with diaper costs for each child who is under 36 months of age.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am signing Assembly Bill 480 that establishes a diaper benefit of \$30 per month to families with children under 3 years old in CalWORKs. I vetoed a similar bill last year and said this new benefit should be considered in the budget process. This benefit was considered but ultimately not funded in this year's budget. Nevertheless, the Department of Social Services was asked by the legislature to recommend the best way to subsidize diapers for these families, and this bill implements that recommendation. As a result, I am willing to provide this benefit through this bill. I caution, however, against using legislation to enact new or expanded benefits. Negotiations on spending proposals belong in the annual budget process. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Neutral

**AB 603(Quirk-Silva D) Child care: alternative payment programs: child care providers: electronic payments: notice of service changes.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 706, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Child Care and Development Services Act requires the State Department of Education to contract with local contracting agencies to provide for alternative payment programs, and authorizes alternative payments to be made for child care services, as provided. The act requires child care providers authorized to provide services to submit to the alternative payment program a monthly attendance record or invoice for each child who received services, as provided. This bill would require, on or before July 1, 2019, an alternative payment program to establish a program of electronic banking for payments made to licensed or license-exempt child care providers that have a contract with that alternative payment program, as provided.

**Position:** Watch

**AB 752(Rubio D) Child care: state preschool programs: expulsion.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 708, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would prohibit a contracting agency from expelling or unenrolling a child from a state preschool program because of a child's behavior unless the contracting agency has expeditiously pursued and documented reasonable steps to maintain the child's safe participation in the program and determines, in consultation with specified parties, that the child's continued enrollment would present a continued serious safety threat to the child or other enrolled children, and has referred the parents or legal guardians to other potentially appropriate placements, the local child care resource and referral agency, or any other referral service available in the local community.

**Position:** Disapprove

**AB 910(Ridley-Thomas D) CalWORKs: welfare-to-work activities: hours.**

**Status:** 9/27/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 318, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires families to be grouped into assistance units for purposes of determining eligibility and computing the amount of CalWORKs aid to be paid. This bill would, commencing July 1, 2018, recast these provisions and would clarify that an adult in an assistance unit that includes 2 adults, one of whom is disabled, is required to participate in welfare-to-work activities for the same number of hours per week as an adult in an assistance unit that includes only one adult. The bill would also provide that the hour requirement is an average of at least 20 hours per week during the month for a pregnant woman receiving CalWORKs benefits during the above-described 24 months, and an average of at least 30 hours per week during the month after the 24 months, if the assistance unit consists only of that pregnant woman.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1106 (Weber D) Child care and development services: alternative payment programs.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 716, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Child Care and Development Services Act requires the State Department of Education to expand existing alternative payment programs and fund new alternative payment programs to the extent that funds are provided by the Legislature. This bill would require an alternative payment program, with certain exceptions, to have no less than 36 months to expend funds allocated to that program in any fiscal year, and would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop a process that provides alternative payment programs no less than 36 months to expend funds allocated to that program in any fiscal year.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## ELECTIONS | POLITICAL REFORM ACT

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### **AB 187(Gloria D) Political Reform Act of 1974: local ballot measure contribution and expenditure reporting.**

**Status:** 9/1/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 183, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Political Reform Act of 1974 provides that if a committee receives contributions totaling \$2,000 or more in a calendar year and is subject to a specified reporting requirement, that committee is required to file online or electronically with the Secretary of State each time it makes contributions of independent expenditures of at least \$5,000 to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure. This bill would additionally require a committee to file a report each time it makes contributions or independent expenditures aggregating \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification of a single local initiative or referendum ballot measure.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 213(Gonzalez Fletcher D) Claims against the state.**

**Status:** 9/23/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 256, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the Attorney General to pay certain judgments against the state. This bill would make an appropriation of specified amounts from the General Fund to the Attorney General to pay specified judgements against the state.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 249(Mullin D) Political Reform Act of 1974: campaign disclosures.**

**Status:** 10/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 546, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law, the Political Reform Act of 1974, provides for the comprehensive regulation of campaign financing and activities. The act requires a committee that supports or opposes ballot measures to name and identify itself using a name or phrase that clearly identifies the economic or other special interests of its major donors of \$50,000 or more. The act also requires that the identity of a common employer shared by major donors be disclosed. This bill would repeal these provisions.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 765(Low D) Local initiative measures: submission to the voters.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 748, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** If a district initiative measure qualifies for the ballot, current law requires that the election for the measure be either at a special election or at the next regular election, depending on whether the initiative petition contains a specified request. This bill instead would require that the election for a county, municipal, or district initiative measure that qualifies for the ballot be the next statewide or regular election, as applicable, unless the governing body of the county, city, or district calls a special election. The bill also would make conforming changes.

**Position:** Approve

### **AB 895(Quirk D) Political Reform Act of 1974: campaign statements: filing.**

**Status:** 7/24/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 111, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Political Reform Act of 1974 requires enumerated individuals and entities to file campaign statements with the Secretary of State. The act requires certain of these individuals and entities to file online or by electronic means, as specified, and it permits others to do so voluntarily. Current law requires that online filers continue to file in paper format until the Secretary of State determines that the online and electronic disclosure systems are operating securely and effectively. Current law specifies that the paper filing be considered the official filing for audit and other legal purposes. Current law requires the Secretary of State to certify an online and

electronic disclosure system for public use, as specified. This bill would eliminate the requirement that those filers who file online or by electronic means also file in paper format pending the determination by the Secretary of State.

**Position:** Staff watch

**AB 918(Bonta D) California Voting for All Act.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 845, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires that facsimile ballots be printed in other languages and posted in the same manner if a significant and substantial need is found by the Secretary of State. This bill, the California Voting for All Act, would instead require the county elections official to post one facsimile copy of the ballot that is printed in Spanish or other applicable languages, as determined by the Secretary of State, and to provide at least one facsimile copy of the ballot for voters at the polling place to use as a reference when casting a private ballot.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1194 (Dababneh D) Elections: local bond measures: tax rate statement.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 795, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires local government agencies, when submitting for voter approval bond measures that will be secured by an ad valorem tax, to provide the voters, along with a sample ballot, a statement that includes estimates of tax rates and debt service in connection with the measure, including estimates of the tax rates required to fund the bond issue during the first fiscal year after the first sale of the bonds and the first fiscal year after the last sale of the bonds. This bill would require the statement to include an estimate of the average annual tax rate required to fund the proposed bond measure for the duration of its debt service, and to identify the final fiscal year in which the tax is anticipated to be collected.

**Position:** Approve

**SB 205 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Local Government Omnibus Act of 2017.**

**Status:** 9/30/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 387, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The California Constitution requires, among others, all public officers to take a specified oath of office. Current statutory law requires any officer to take that oath before he or she enters the duties of his or her office. This bill would require an officer to take that oath following any election or appointment and before entering the duties of his or her office. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 468 (Leyva D) School districts: governing boards: pupil members.**

**Status:** 9/25/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 283, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the governing board of a school district maintaining one or more high schools to appoint to its membership one or more pupil members if pupils submit a petition to the governing board to make those appointments, as provided. This bill would specify that a pupil member shall receive all open meeting materials presented to the board members at the same time the materials are presented to the board members and would additionally require a pupil member to be invited to staff briefings of board members or provided a separate staff briefing within the same timeframe as the staff briefing of board members.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 45 (Thurmond D) California School Employee Housing Assistance Grant Program.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Current law establishes the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and requires it to administer various housing programs. This bill would require HCD to administer a program to provide financing assistance, as specified, to a qualified school district, as defined, and to a qualified developer, as defined, for the creation of affordable rental housing for school employees, as defined. The bill would require a qualified school district and a qualified developer to apply for this financing assistance. The bill would require the State Department of Education and HCD to certify that a school district seeking a grant meets the definition of qualified school district, as provided.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 45 without my signature. This bill establishes a new program under the Department of Housing and Community Development for the purpose of providing predevelopment grants and loans to developers for the creation of affordable rental housing for school district employees. I recently signed Senate Bill 2 into law which provides an ongoing funding source for housing. In the first year, SB 2 directs fifty percent of the funding to be made available to local governments for planning purposes. In subsequent years, seventy percent of the funding is directly allocated to local governments so they can address their own unique housing needs and fifteen percent of the funding will be targeted towards workforce housing through the California Housing Financing Authority. Rather than creating a new program at this time, I encourage the author to work with the local governments in his district and collaborate with the California Housing Financing Authority to maximize the funding in SB 2. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Approve

**AB 46 (Cooper D) Employers: wage discrimination.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 776, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law prohibits an employer from paying any of its employees at wage rates less than the rates paid to employees of the opposite sex for substantially similar work, when viewed as a composite of skill, effort, and responsibility, and performed under similar working conditions, unless the employer demonstrates that one or more specific factors, reasonably applied, account for the entire wage differential. Under current law, an employer or other person who violates or causes a violation of that prohibition, or who reduces the wages of any employee in order to comply with that prohibition, is guilty of a misdemeanor. This bill would define "employer" for those purposes to include public and private employers.

**Position:** Approve

**AB 168(Eggman D) Employers: salary information.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 688, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would prohibit an employer from relying on the salary history information of an applicant for employment as a factor in determining whether to offer an applicant employment or what salary to offer an applicant. The bill also would prohibit an employer from seeking salary history information about an applicant for employment and would require an employer, upon reasonable request, to provide the pay scale for a position to an applicant for employment. The bill would not prohibit an applicant from voluntarily and without prompting disclosing salary history information and would not prohibit an employer from considering or relying on that voluntarily disclosed salary history information in determining salary, as specified.

**Position:** Oppose

### **AB 500(Bloom D) Employee codes of conduct: employee interactions with pupils.**

**Status:** 10/8/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 580, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require a local educational agency, as specified, or a person, firm, association, partnership, or corporation offering or conducting private school instruction at the elementary or high school level, as specified, that maintains a section on employee interactions with pupils in its employee code of conduct to, commencing July 1, 2018, provide a written copy of the section on employee interactions with pupils in its code of conduct to the parent or guardian of each enrolled pupil at the beginning of each school year and, commencing January 1, 2018, to post the section on employee interactions with pupils in its code of conduct, or provide a link to it, on each of its schools' Internet Web sites, or, if a school of a local educational agency does not have its own Internet Web site, on the local educational agency's Internet Web site, in a publicly accessible manner.

**Position:** Neutral

### **AB 539(Acosta R) Search warrants.**

**Status:** 9/28/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 342, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law defines the crime of disorderly conduct as including, among other things, actions involving the use of an instrumentality to view the interior of specified rooms with the intent to invade the privacy of individuals, the use of specified devices to secretly videotape film, photograph, or record an identifiable person either under or through their clothing, for purposes of viewing the body or undergarments, or in a state of full or partial undress, as specified. Under current law, these crimes are punishable as misdemeanors. This bill would authorize a search warrant to be issued on the grounds that the property or things to be seized consist of evidence that tends to show that a violation of the above described crime of disorderly conduct has occurred or is occurring.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 569(Gonzalez Fletcher D) Discrimination: reproductive health.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Would make legislative findings and declarations relating to the right to privacy. The bill would amend provisions of labor law relating to the obligations of an employer to prohibit an employer from taking any adverse action against an employee or their dependent or family member for their reproductive health decisions, including, but not limited to, the timing thereof, or the use of any drug, device, or medical service. The bill would also specify that any contract or agreement, express or implied, made by an employee to waive this benefit is null and void.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: Assembly Bill 569 would add to the labor code a prohibition against any employer from taking an action against an employee because of that employee's reproductive decision. The California Fair Employment and Housing Act has long banned such adverse actions, except for religious institutions. I believe these types of claims should remain within the jurisdiction of the Department of Fair Employment and Housing. For this reason, I am returning AB 569 without my signature. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 660(Rubio D) Public agencies: unlawful interference.**

**Status:** 9/30/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 381, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would make it an infraction to intentionally interfere with any lawful business carried on by the employees of a public agency open to the public by knowingly making a material misrepresentation of the law to those attempting to transact business with the agency and refusing to leave, as specified. By expanding the scope of a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

**Position:** Watch

### **AB 872(Chau D) School employees: employment: sex offenses.**

**Status:** 8/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 167, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law prohibits the employment or retention of employment by a school district of a person convicted of a sex offense and defines the term “sex offense” for those purposes and for specified other provisions relating to schools and school employees. This bill would revise the list of crimes included in the definition of “sex offense” by, among other things, including specified crimes a violation of which requires a person to register as a sex offender under the Sex Offender Registration Act.

**Position:** Support

### **AB 949(Gipson D) School employees: contracts: sole proprietors: criminal background checks.**

**Status:** 7/21/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 84, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires an employee of an entity that has a contract with a school district to provide janitorial, administrative, grounds and landscape maintenance, transportation, and food services for the school, if that employee may have contact with pupils, to submit or have submitted his or her fingerprints to the Department of Justice, which is required to ascertain whether that individual has been arrested or convicted of a crime and to notify the employer designated by the individual of that fact. This bill would provide that an individual operating as a sole proprietor of an entity that has a contract with a school district, as specified, is considered to be an employee of the entity for purposes of the criminal background check requirements described above.

**Position:** Support if amended

### **AB 978(Limón D) Employment safety: injury and illness prevention program.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Would require an employer who receives a written request for a paper or electronic copy of the written injury prevention program from a current employee, or his or her authorized representative, to comply with the request as soon as practicable, but no later than 10 business days from the date the employer receives the request. The bill would require the employer to provide the copy of the written injury prevention program free of charge. The bill would authorize the employer to take reasonable steps to verify the identity of a current employee or his or her authorized representative and to designate the person to whom a request is to be made.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 978 without my signature. This bill would require employers to provide their employees, or their representative, access to an employer's written injury and illness prevention program within ten business days upon request. I support policies that promote access and transparency in order to prevent injuries and improve health and safety. This bill, however, is unnecessary and duplicative of an existing regulatory proposal that is already underway at the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board. The Standards Board advisory committee process is better suited to determine how to properly implement requirements of this kind. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Neutral

### **AB 1008 (McCarty D) Employment discrimination: conviction history.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 789, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would repeal the prohibition on a state or local agency from asking an applicant for employment to disclose information regarding a criminal conviction, as specified. The bill would, instead, provide it is an unlawful employment practice under FEHA for an employer with 5 or more employees to include on any application for employment any question that seeks the disclosure of an applicant's conviction history, to inquire into or consider the conviction history of an applicant until that applicant has received a conditional offer, and, when conducting a conviction history background check, to consider, distribute, or disseminate information related to specified prior arrests, diversions, and convictions.

**Position:** Neutral

**AB 1209**      **(Gonzalez Fletcher D) Employers: gender pay differentials.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Would require, on and after July 1, 2019, and biennially thereafter, that an employer that is required to file a statement of information with the Secretary of State and that has 500 or more employees in California to collect specified information on gender wage differentials. The bill would require the employer to submit the information to the Secretary of State as specified, by July 1, 2020, and biennially thereafter. The bill would require the Secretary of State to publish the information described above on an Internet Web site available to the public upon receiving necessary funding and establishing adequate mechanisms and procedures.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1209 without my signature. This bill would require employers with 500 or more employees in California to provide to the Secretary of State specific information regarding gender wage differentials for exempt employees and board members. I have strongly supported policies that ensure women are compensated equitably and will continue to do so. While transparency is often the first step to addressing an identified problem, it is unclear that the bill as written, given its ambiguous wording, will provide data that will meaningfully contribute to efforts to close the gender wage gap. Indeed, I am worried that this ambiguity could be exploited to encourage more litigation than pay equity. Since the Equal Pay Act was signed into law in 2015, the Pay Equity Task Force, which is comprised of members from this administration, business, academia, labor, the legislature and pay equity advocates, has been engaged in analysis of the new law, as well as workplace and compensation policies that can lead to successful compliance with the Act. Guidance and recommendations coming out of the Task Force will assist companies around the state with assessing their current wage practices. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1227**      **(Bonta D) Human Trafficking Prevention Education and Training Act.**

**Status:** 10/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 558, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The California Healthy Youth Act requires school districts to ensure that all pupils in grades 7 to 12, inclusive, receive comprehensive sexual health education and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevention education, as specified. Under the act, this instruction includes, among other things, information about sexual harassment, sexual assault, adolescent relationship abuse, intimate partner violence, and sex trafficking. This bill would require that instruction to additionally include information about sexual abuse and to include information about human trafficking instead of sex trafficking.

**Position:** Support

**AB 1556**      **(Stone, Mark D) Employment discrimination: unlawful employment practices.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 799, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Moore-Brown-Roberti Family Rights Act makes it an unlawful employment practice for an employer, as defined, to refuse to grant a request by an eligible employee to take up to 12 workweeks of unpaid protected leave during any 12-month period (1) to bond with a child who was born to, adopted by, or placed for foster care with, the employee, (2) to care for the employee's parent, spouse, or child who has a serious health condition, as defined, or (3) because the employee is suffering from a serious health condition rendering him or her unable to perform the functions of the job. This bill would revise these provisions by deleting gender-specific personal pronouns and by making other conforming changes.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 63**      **(Jackson D) Unlawful employment practice: parental leave.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 686, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would prohibit an employer, as defined, from refusing to allow an employee with more than 12 months of service with the employer, who has at least 1,250 hours of service with the employer during the previous 12-month period, and who works at a worksite in which the employer employs at least 20 employees within 75 miles, to take up to 12 weeks of parental leave to bond with a new child within one year of the child's birth, adoption, or

foster care placement. The bill would also prohibit an employer from refusing to maintain and pay for coverage under a group health plan for an employee who takes this leave.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 285 (Atkins D) Public employers: union organizing.**

**Status:** 10/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 567, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would prohibit a public employer from deterring or discouraging public employees from becoming or remaining members of an employee organization. The bill would define a public employer for this purpose to include counties, cities, districts, the state, schools, transit districts, the University of California, and the California State University, among others. The bill would grant the Public Employment Relations Board jurisdiction over violations of its provisions.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 306 (Hertzberg D) Retaliation actions: complaints: administrative review.**

**Status:** 10/3/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 460, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement to commence an investigation of an employer, with or without a complaint being filed, when specified retaliation or discrimination is suspected during the course of a wage claim or other specified investigation being conducted by the Labor Commissioner. The bill would also authorize the commissioner, upon finding reasonable cause to believe that any person has engaged in or is engaging in a violation, to petition a superior court for prescribed injunctive relief.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 396 (Lara D) Employment: gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 858, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require employers with 50 or more employees to include, as a component of specified prescribed training and education for supervisors, training inclusive of harassment based on gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 418 (Hernandez D) Public contracts: skilled and trained workforce.**

**Status:** 9/30/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 393, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law defines a “skilled and trained workforce” to mean a workforce that meets certain conditions for when a public entity is required by statute or regulation to obtain an enforceable commitment that a bidder, contractor, or other entity will use a skilled and trained workforce to complete a contract or project. Current law also authorizes a public entity to require that a bidder, contractor, or other entity use a skilled and trained workforce to complete a contract or project. This bill would revise the definition of a “skilled and trained workforce” to exclude from the conditions work performed on or after specified dates, in certain occupations.

**Position:** Approve

**SB 550 (Pan D) Public school employment: meeting and negotiating: legal actions: settlement offer: attorney’s fees.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 812, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize an employee organization to make an offer to settle a dispute alleging an employer’s failure to provide wages, benefits, or working conditions required by state law in accordance with specified procedural requirements and would require the employer, if the employer does not accept the offer and fails to obtain a more favorable judgment or award, to pay the employee organization’s attorney’s fees and expenses incurred after the offer was made, subject to specified exceptions.

**Position:** Neutral

**SB 728 (Newman D) State public employees: sick leave: veterans with service-related disabilities.**

**Status:** 10/8/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 596, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would grant a state officer or employee who serves as a member of the National Guard or federal military reserve force who is called up to active service and as a result sustains a service-connected disability rated at 30% or more by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs an additional credit for sick leave with pay of up to 96 hours for the purpose of undergoing medical treatment, including mental health treatment, for his or her service-connected disability.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 731 (Newman D) Public school employees: former or current members of the Armed Forces of the United States or California National Guard: leave of absence for illness or injury.**

**Status:** 10/8/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 597, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires a certificated employee hired on or after January 1, 2017, who is a military veteran with a military service-connected disability rated at 30% or more by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs be entitled to a leave of absence for illness or injury with pay of up to 10 days for the purpose of undergoing medical treatment for his or her military service-connected disability. This bill would expand these requirements to include a certificated employee who is a former active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States or a former or current member of the California National Guard or a federal reserve component, who was hired on or after, or employed on or after, January 1, 2017, with a service-connected disability rated at 30% or more by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs that was incurred during the active duty recently completed.

**Position:** Approve

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## **ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS**

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**AB 192(Medina D) Migrant education: statewide parent advisory council: reports.**

**Status:** 7/21/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 78, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the Superintendent to sponsor an annual State Parent Advisory Council Conference. Current law requires the statewide parent advisory council to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature, the state board, the Superintendent, and the Governor regarding the status of the migrant education program. This bill would require the statewide parent advisory council to prepare and submit this report every 3 years. The bill would require the State Parent Advisory Council Conference to be held biennially and would authorize the Superintendent to sponsor regional conferences to take the place of the state conference if the Superintendent determines that regional conferences will increase parent participation.

**AB 1142 (Medina D) High school diplomas: State Seal of Biliteracy: English learners.**

**Status:** 9/1/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 208, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to award a State Seal of Biliteracy. Current law provides that the State Seal of Biliteracy certifies attainment of a high level of proficiency by a graduating high school pupil in one or more languages, in addition to English, and certifies that the graduate meets specified criteria, including, but not limited to, passing the California Standards Test in English language arts administered in grade 11 at the proficient level or above. This bill would replace that criterion with one requiring that a pupil pass the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress for English language arts, or any successor test, administered in grade 11, at or above the “standard met” achievement level, or at the achievement level determined by the Superintendent for any successor test.

**Position:** Support

**AB 203(O'Donnell D) School facilities: design and construction: report: regulations.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 837, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the State Department of Education to take specified actions relating to the construction of school facilities, including to establish standards for use by school districts to ensure that the design and construction of school facilities are educationally appropriate and promote school safety. This bill would require those standards to also ensure that the design and construction of school facilities provide school districts with flexibility in designing instructional facilities.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am signing Assembly Bill 203, which requires the Office of Public School Construction and the California Department of Education to develop regulations that will provide school districts with additional flexibility in the design of instructional facilities. This bill also requires the Department to provide technical assistance to small school districts seeking to build or fund school facilities. I share the author's goal of streamlining school design and the process for applying to the state for construction funds. While this bill will create some flexibility for local schools, we need to explore additional steps to bring greater flexibility to the School Facilities Program. This could include some modifications to Proposition 51, which now makes the system far too rigid. I look forward to working with the author and school districts to achieve more substantial reforms. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Support

**AB 277(Mathis R) Water and Wastewater Loan and Grant Program.**

**Status:** 10/3/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 438, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would, to the extent funding is made available, authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to establish the Water and Wastewater Loan and Grant Program to provide funding to eligible applicants for specified purposes relating to drinking water and wastewater treatment. This bill would authorize a county or qualified nonprofit organization to apply to the board for a grant to award loans or grants, or both, to an eligible applicant. The bill would authorize the board to use a funding source that is authorized for and consistent with the purposes of the program.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 339(Mathis R) State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account.**

**Status:** 10/3/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 439, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act creates the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account in the State Water Quality Control Fund and continuously appropriates moneys in the account to the state board for the purposes of cleaning up waste or abating its effects on state waters. Current law, until July 1, 2018, authorizes the state board to pay these moneys from the account to, among others, a community water system that services a disadvantaged community to be used to assist in addressing urgent drinking water need, among other purposes. This bill would limit the above-described payments to grants, and would delete the July 1, 2018, sunset date. By extending the term of an existing appropriation, this bill would make an appropriation.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 355(Chu D) Water pollution: enforcement.**

**Status:** 10/6/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 524, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law permits the State Water Resources Control Board or regional board, in lieu of assessing all or a portion of the mandatory minimum penalties against a publicly owned treatment works serving a small community, as defined, to elect to require the publicly owned treatment works to spend an equivalent amount towards completion of a compliance project proposed by the publicly owned treatment works if the state board or regional board makes certain findings. Current law, for these purposes, defines "a publicly owned treatment works

serving a small community." This bill, for purposes of the exception, would instead define publicly owned treatment works serving a small community as a publicly owned treatment works serving a population of 20,000 persons or fewer or a rural county, with a financial hardship.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 560(Salas D) Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund: project financing: severely disadvantaged communities.**

**Status:** 10/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 552, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would, to the extent permitted by federal law, authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to provide grant funding, and principal forgiveness and 0% financing on loans, from the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to a project for a water system with a service area that qualifies as a severely disadvantaged community if the water system demonstrates that repaying a Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan with interest would result in unaffordable water rates, as defined.

**Position:** Watch

**AB 591(O'Donnell D) School property: lease: county boards of education.**

**Status:** 7/24/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 125, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes the governing board of a school district to lease real property that belongs to the school district for a minimum rental of \$1 per year if the instrument by which the property is leased requires a building to be constructed by the lessee for use by the school district and title to the building vests in the school district at the end of the lease. This bill would make all of the requirements in the provisions as specified applicable to an agreement entered into by a county board of education, county office of education, or county superintendent of schools to let to a person, firm, or corporation any real property that belongs to the county office of education or a school district that requires the lessee to construct a building on demised premises for use by the county office of education or a school district.

**Position:** Approve

**AB 746(Gonzalez Fletcher D) Public health: potable water systems: lead testing: schoolsites.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 746, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require a community water system that serves a schoolsite of a local educational agency with a building constructed before January 1, 2010, to test for lead in the potable water system of the schoolsite before January 1, 2019. The bill would require the community water system to report its findings to the schoolsite, as specified, and, if the schoolsite's lead level exceeds a certain level, to test a water sample from the point in which the schoolsite connects to the community water system's supply network. The bill would require the local educational agency, if the lead level exceeds the specified level at a schoolsite, to notify the parents and guardians of the pupils who attend the schoolsite or preschool.

**Position:** Approve

**AB 890(Medina D) Land use: planning and zoning: initiatives.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Would require that the city council of a city or the board of supervisors of a county have exclusive authority to adopt or amend a general plan, specific plan, or zoning ordinance, that would convert any discretionary land use approval necessary for a project to ministerial approval; change the land use or zoning designation of a parcel or parcels to a more intensive designation; or authorize more intensive land uses within an existing land use designation or zoning designation.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 890 without my signature. This bill would require California Environmental Quality Act approval of certain land use decisions that currently are exempt from the Act because a qualified voter initiative on the subject has either been approved by a local governing board or by the voters. Instead of the piecemeal approach taken in this bill, I prefer a more

comprehensive CEQA review, which takes into account both the urgent need for more housing and thoughtful environmental analysis. I hope to work with the author who has shown a steadfast commitment to protecting vulnerable communities from being disproportionately burdened by environmental harms. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1082 (Burke D) Transportation electrification: electric vehicle charging infrastructure: school facilities and other educational institutions.**

**Status:** 10/10/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 637, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize an electrical corporation to file with the PUC, by July 30, 2018, a pilot program proposal for the installation of vehicle charging stations at school facilities and other educational institutions, giving priority to school facilities and other educational institutions located in disadvantaged communities, as defined. The bill would require the PUC to review, modify if appropriate, and decide whether to approve a pilot program proposal filed by an electrical corporation by December 31, 2018.

**Governor's Message:** I am signing Assembly Bill 1082 and Assembly Bill 1083. These bills authorize electric corporations to file proposals for pilot programs with the California Public Utilities Commission by July 30, 2018 for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations at schools, state parks or state beaches. The bills also require the Commission to review, modify, if necessary, and decide whether to approve the proposals by December 31, 2018. Improved access to electric vehicle charging stations for all Californians is an important component of achieving the goal of 1.5 million zero emission vehicles on California roads by 2025. While I am signing these two bills, I note that deployment of charging infrastructure should take place in locations that make the most sense and that minimize any increased cost to ratepayers. I encourage the legislature to work with the Commission, utilities and other interested parties to evaluate the effectiveness of existing pilot programs before passing additional bills that direct investments in specific locations. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Support

**AB 1127 (Calderon D) Baby diaper changing stations.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 755, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require new construction or renovation of a public building, as specified, that is owned by a state or a local agency, or a portion of a building that is owned by a state or local agency and includes at least one restroom that is open to the public, to provide at least one safe, sanitary, convenient, and publicly accessible baby diaper changing station, as specified. The bill would require each station to be maintained, repaired, and replaced as necessary to ensure safety and ease of use, and to be cleaned with the same frequency as the restroom in which it is located. By imposing a higher level of service on local agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

**Position:** Seek to amend

**AB 1157 (Mullin D) School property: school district advisory committees: teacher and school district employee housing: property tax exemption.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 717, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize the governing board of a school district to elect not to appoint a school district advisory committee in the sale, lease, or rental of excess real property to be used for teacher or school district employee housing. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position:** Neutral

**AB 1223 (Caballero D) Construction contract payments: Internet Web site posting.**

**Status:** 10/8/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 585, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law imposes specified requirements on state agencies regarding payment of construction contracts. Current law also requires the Department of General Services to publish in the California State

Contracts Register notice of progress payments made to prime contractors. This bill would require, within 10 days of making a construction contract payment, a state agency that maintains an Internet Web site to post on its Internet Web site the project for which the payment was made, the name of the construction contractor or company paid, the date the payment was made or the date the state agency transmitted instructions to the Controller or other payer to make the payment, the payment application number or other identifying information, and the amount of the payment.

**Position:** Watch

**AB 1343 (Chen R) Water conservation: school districts: Go Low Flow Water Conservation Partnerships.**

**Status:** 7/21/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 90, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize the governing board of a school district to enter into a Go Low Flow Water Conservation Partnership with a public water system for purposes of reducing water use at schools, reducing stormwater and dry weather runoff at schools, reducing schoolsite water pollution, and establishing the basis for educational opportunities in water conservation. The bill would authorize a public water system to offer, as part of a partnership, a water rebate for a school that implements water-saving measures.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1550 (Limón D) School finance: school bonds: small school district.**

**Status:** 10/3/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 451, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes the formation of a school facilities improvement district (SFID) by a school district or community college district and provides for the issuance of bonds for that district subject to specified requirements, including voter approval. Current law authorizes the governing board of a school district or community college district, as an alternative to issuing bonds pursuant to the above authorities, to pursue the authorization and issuance of bonds through an election pursuant to certain provisions of the California Constitution. This bill would authorize 2 or more small school districts, as defined, that have voter-approved authority to issue bonds pursuant to the above provisions to form a joint powers authority pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act for the purpose of issuing or selling those bonds to raise money for the purposes authorized.

**Position:** Support

**SB 80 (Wieckowski D) California Environmental Quality Act: notices.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.

**Summary:** The California Environmental Quality Act requires the lead agency to mail certain notices to persons who have filed a written request for notices. The act provides that if the agency offers to provide the notices by email, upon filing a written request for notices, a person may request that the notices be provided to him or her by email. This bill would require the lead agency to post those notices on the agency's Internet Web site. The bill would require the agency to offer to provide those notices by email. Because this bill would increase the level of service provided by a local agency, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 80 without my signature. This bill requires a lead agency to file a Notice of Determination when a project considered under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) receives a categorical exemption. The bill also requires a lead agency to post certain notices on its website, and send the notices by email upon request. While I agree with the author's desire to provide greater transparency, the current CEQA process already is very detailed, and requires an incredible amount of notice. For that reason, I am reluctant to add the additional requirements mandated by this bill. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **SB 228 (Dodd D) Alcoholic beverage control: public schoolhouses.**

**Status:** 7/24/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 119, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law generally prohibits the sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages at a public schoolhouse or any grounds thereof. Current law provides for various exceptions to this prohibition, including wine that is produced by a bonded winery owned or operated as part of an instructional program in viticulture and enology. This bill would provide that the prohibition against the sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages on the grounds of a public schoolhouse does not apply to beer produced by a bonded brewery owned or operated as part of an instructional program in brewing.

**Position:** Neutral

### **SB 341 (Wilk R) School bonds: citizens' oversight committee: member terms.**

**Status:** 7/17/2017-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes the adoption of a proposition for indebtedness in the form of general obligation bonds for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of school facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for school facilities upon the approval of 55% of the voters, if the proposition includes specified accountability requirements. This bill would instead require a member of the citizens' oversight committee to serve on the committee for no less than one 2-year term and for no more than 6 consecutive 2-year terms.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 341 without my signature. This bill would increase the number of consecutive terms that a member of a bond citizens' oversight committee may serve, from three two-year terms to six two-year terms. This bill is a statewide solution to a limited problem. Although a few school districts cite difficulty recruiting community members to serve on their bond oversight committee, this bill could create fewer opportunities for community involvement statewide. This is contrary to the goal of the bond oversight committee, which is to ensure that taxpayers have the opportunity to provide proper oversight of these funds. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Disapprove

### **SB 427 (Leyva D) Public water systems: community water systems: lead user service lines.**

**Status:** 9/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 238, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires, by July 1, 2018, a public water system to compile an inventory of known lead user service lines in use in its distribution system and identify areas that may have lead user service lines in use in its distribution system. This bill would apply the above-described provisions relating to lead user service lines to a community water system, instead of a public water system, and would require, by July 1, 2020, the community water system to provide a timeline for replacement of known lead user service lines in use in its distribution system to the State Water Resources Control Board.

**Position:** Approve

### **SB 450 (Hertzberg D) Public bodies: bonds: public notice.**

**Status:** 10/9/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 625, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes the governing body of a public body to authorize the issuance of bonds pursuant to a resolution, indenture, agreement, or other instrument providing for the issuance of bonds. Current law defines a "public body" to mean, among other entities, a county, city, or city and county. This bill, prior to authorization of the issuance of certain bonds, would require the governing body of a public body to obtain and disclose specified information regarding the bonds in a meeting open to the public.

**Position:** Neutral

### **SB 541 (Allen D) Water: school facility water capture practices.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 811, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require the State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with the regional water quality control boards, and the Division of the State Architect within the Department of General Services to recommend best design and use practices for storm water and dry weather runoff capture practices, as defined, that can generally be applied to all new, reconstructed, or altered public schools, including school grounds. The bill would require the board to submit these recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature on or before January 1, 2019, and would require the board and the State Department of Education to post the recommendations on their respective Internet Web sites.

**Position:** Approve

### **SB 544 (McGuire D) School districts: contracting: purchases for child nutrition programs.**

**Status:** 9/30/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 395, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the governing board of any school district to let contracts for the purchase of equipment, materials, or supplies to be furnished, leased, or sold to the district, services other than construction services, and certain repairs, involving an expenditure of more than \$50,000, and to let contracts for public projects, as defined, involving an expenditure of \$15,000 or more, to the lowest responsible bidder who gives security as the governing board requires. This bill would require procurement bid solicitations and awards made by a school district for purchases in support of federal nonprofit child nutrition programs to be consistent with certain federal procurement standards.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## **FOSTER CARE/YOUTH**

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### **AB 1006 (Maienschein R) Foster youth.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 714, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require, in any case in which the court has ordered a dependent child or a ward of the juvenile court placed for adoption or has appointed a relative or nonrelative legal guardian, the social worker or probation officer to provide the prospective adoptive family or the guardian or guardians specified mental health treatment information. The bill would also require the department, the county adoption agency, or the licensed adoption agency, to provide that information to the prospective adoptive family at the time the application for adoption is made and at the time immediately prior to the finalization of the adoption decree.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **SB 612 (Mitchell D) Foster care: transitional housing.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 731, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law provides for a "Transitional Housing Placement Program" serving foster children at least 16 years of age and not more than 18 years of age, and provides for a "Transitional Housing Placement-Plus Foster Care Program" serving nonminor dependents at least 18 years of age and not more than 21 years of age. This bill would revise and recast the above-described provisions, by among other things, redefining "transitional housing placement provider" to mean an organization licensed by the department to provide transitional housing to foster children who are at least 16 years of age to promote their transition to adulthood.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 92 (Bonta D) Public contracts: payment.**

**Status:** 7/10/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 37, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law until January 1, 2018, authorizes the retention proceeds withheld from any payment by an awarding entity, as described, from the original contractor, by the original contractor from any subcontractor, and by a subcontractor from any subcontractor to exceed 5% on specific projects where the director of the applicable department, as specified, has made, or the governing body of the public entity or designated official of the public entity has approved, a finding prior to the bid that the project is substantially complex and requires a higher retention and the department or public entity includes both this finding and the actual retention amount in the bid documents. This bill would extend the operation of these provisions to January 1, 2023.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 428(Ridley-Thomas D) Local government: the Ralph M. Brown Act.**

**Status:** 7/31/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 137, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law, until January 1, 2018, authorizes a health authority that conducts a teleconference meeting to count members who are outside the jurisdiction of the authority toward the establishment of a quorum when participating in the teleconference if at least 50% of the number of members that would establish a quorum are present within the boundaries of the territory over which the authority exercises jurisdiction, and the health authority provides a teleconference number, and associated access codes, if any, that allows any person to call in to participate in the meeting, as specified. This bill would extend the operation of these provisions relating to the establishment of a quorum for teleconferenced meetings of a health authority indefinitely.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 345 (Bradford D) Law enforcement agencies: public records.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.

**Summary:** Would, commencing January 1, 2019, require the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, the Department of the California Highway Patrol, the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Department of Justice, the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training, and each local law enforcement agency to conspicuously post on their Internet Web sites all current standards, policies, practices, operating procedures, and education and training materials that would otherwise be available to the public if a request was made pursuant to the California Public Records Act.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 345 without my signature. This bill requires law enforcement agencies, including certain state agencies, to post on their websites all current standards, policies, practices, operating procedures, education and training materials that would otherwise be available if a request was made under the California Public Records Act. This bill is too broad in scope and vaguely drafted. I appreciate the author's desire for additional transparency of police practices and local law enforcement procedures, but I believe this goal can be accomplished with a more targeted and precise approach.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 448 (Wieckowski D) Local government: organization: districts.**

**Status:** 9/27/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 334, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires a report of an audit of a special district's accounts and records made by a certified public accountant or public accountant to be filed with the Controller and the county auditor of the county in which the special district is located within 12 months of the end of the fiscal year or years under examination. This bill would instead require special districts defined by a specified provision to file those audit reports with the Controller and special districts defined by another specified provision to file those audit reports with the Controller and with the local agency formation commission of either the county in which the special district is located or, if the special

district is located in 2 or more counties, with each local agency formation commission within each county in which the district is located.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS | DROPOUT PREVENTION

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### **AB 189(Low D) School curriculum: model curriculum: service learning.**

**Status:** 10/9/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Current law requires the Instructional Quality Commission to develop, and for the State Board of Education to adopt, modify, or revise, a model curriculum in ethnic studies. This bill would require the commission to develop, and the state board to adopt, reject, or modify, a model curriculum for pupils in grades 9 to 12, inclusive, in service learning, as defined, for voluntary use by educators. The bill would require the model curriculum to incorporate evidence-based and applied instructional practices for developing service learning skills, and to identify the ways in which the model curriculum aligns with, and is supportive of, the common core state standards.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 189 without my signature. This bill would establish a model curriculum in service learning for adoption by the State Board of Education. I believe this bill is unnecessary. The Instructional Quality Commission carefully considered the subject of service learning when it was updating the History-Social Science Framework and embedded it throughout the curriculum framework that the State Board of Education subsequently adopted. The appendix also includes a section "Practice Civic Engagement: Service Learning in the History-Social Science Framework." Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Disapprove

### **AB 365(Muratsuchi D) Pupil instruction: coursework and graduation requirements: children of military families.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 739, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires a school district to exempt a pupil in foster care, a pupil who is a homeless child or youth, or a former juvenile court school pupil who transfers between schools any time after the completion of the pupil's 2nd year of high school from all coursework and other requirements adopted by the governing board of the school district that are in addition to certain statewide coursework requirements unless the school district makes a finding that the pupil is reasonably able to complete the school district's graduation requirements in time to graduate from high school by the end of the pupil's 4th year of high school. Current law requires the school district to take specified actions if it determines that the pupil is reasonably able to complete the school district's graduation requirements within the pupil's 5th year of high school. This bill would extend these provisions to a pupil who is a child of a military family, as defined.

**Position:** Approve

### **AB 1176 (Mullin D) High school equivalency tests.**

**Status:** 10/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 663, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes the Superintendent of Public Instruction to provide the general educational development test to, among others, persons confined in certain hospitals or correctional institutions. Current law authorizes the Superintendent to grant a waiver to a county office of education to provide a general educational development test preparation program, not to exceed one hour per schoolday, as part of any other instructional program during the regular schoolday to certain of these confined persons. This bill would no longer limit that program from exceeding one hour per schoolday. The bill would replace all references in the Education Code of the "general educational development test" to a "high school equivalency test."

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## HIGHER EDUCATION

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### **AB 19 (Santiago D) Community colleges: California College Promise.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 735, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would establish the California College Promise, to be administered by the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, which shall distribute funding, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to each community college meeting prescribed requirements to be used to, among other things, accomplish specified policy goals and waive fees for one academic year for first-time students who are enrolled in 12 or more semester units or the equivalent at the college and complete and submit either a Free Application for Federal Student Aid or a California Dream Act application.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 21 (Kalra D) Public postsecondary education: Access to Higher Education for Every Student.**

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 488, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would express findings and declarations of the Legislature relating to the possible impacts on public postsecondary educational institutions in this state of changes in federal immigration policies and enforcement.

**Position:** Approve

### **AB 172(Chávez R) Public postsecondary education: residency: dependents of armed forces members.**

**Status:** 8/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 165, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law establishes uniform student residency requirements for purposes of ascertaining the amount of tuition and fees to be paid by students of public postsecondary education institutions. Current law entitles a student to resident classification for the purpose of determining tuition and fees if the student is a member, or a child or spouse who is a dependent of a member, of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed in the state on active duty, except as specified. This bill would extend that resident classification for designated dependents of transferred and retired members of the Armed Forces of the United States to those dependents who have been admitted to a public postsecondary institution before the transfer or retirement.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 214(Weber D) Postsecondary education: student hunger.**

**Status:** 7/24/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 134, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to reduce the incidence of hunger and homelessness among college students in California. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 343(McCarty D) Public postsecondary education: holders of certain special immigrant visas.**

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 491, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law exempts specified students from paying nonresident tuition at the California State University and the California Community Colleges, as specified. This bill would express legislative findings and declarations relating to persons provided with special immigrant visa status due to their displacement because of wars taking place in their home countries. The bill would exempt students who have been granted special immigrant visas pursuant to a specified federal statute, or are refugees admitted to the United States under a specified federal statute, and who, upon entering the United States, settled in California, from paying nonresident tuition at the California Community Colleges.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 504(Medina D) Community colleges: Student Success and Support Program funding.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 742, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the student equity plan to include, for each community college in the community college district, campus-based research as to the extent of student equity by gender and for each of several specified categories of students. Current law also requires the student equity plan to include whether significant underrepresentation of any of these categories of students is found to exist in terms of access to, and completion of, basic skills, career technical education and workforce training, and transfer courses. This bill would require the student equity plan to instead include whether that significant underrepresentation of any of these categories of students is found to exist in terms of access and retention, degree and certificate completion, English as a Second Language and basic skills completion, and transfer.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 584(Quirk-Silva D) Student financial aid: California Student Opportunity and Access Program: Orange County.**

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 500, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law establishes the Student Opportunity and Access Program, administered by the Student Aid Commission, to distribute funds on a progress payment schedule for projects designed to increase the accessibility of postsecondary educational opportunities for certain groups of elementary and secondary school pupils and, to the extent of available resources, for community college students. This bill would, contingent upon sufficient funding provided in the annual Budget Act or other statute, require the Student Aid Commission to ensure that at least one consortium is established, in accordance with the requirements of existing law, to serve the pupils of Orange County.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 616(Aguiar-Curry D) Pupil instruction: California State Summer School for Mathematics and Science: funding: tuition.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 781, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law establishes the California State Summer School for Mathematics and Science to provide academic development to enable pupils with demonstrated academic excellence in mathematics and science to receive intensive educational enrichment in these subjects. Current law requests the Regents of the University of California to operate the summer school. Current law, until January 1, 2018, requests the regents to set a tuition fee for the summer school. This bill would no longer request the regents after January 1, 2018, to set a tuition fee within a range that corresponds to actual program costs, up to but not exceeding \$1,000 per session in the year 2000 and to increase this fee by an amount of up to 5% each year thereafter.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 637(Medina D) Community colleges: cross-enrollment in online education.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 743, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes a student who meets specified requirements, and is enrolled at a campus of the California State University, to enroll, without formal admission, and without payment of additional tuition or fees, except as provided, in a course provided entirely online, as defined, by another campus of the California State University. This bill would enact similar provisions relating to cross-enrollment of community college students in online courses offered by campuses, defined as teaching campuses, other than their home campuses, as defined. The bill would require that the program established by this bill be available at a community college that is part of the Online Education Initiative Consortium, as defined. The bill would specify the qualifications to be met by participating students.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 705(Irwin D) Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012: matriculation: assessment.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 745, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012 provides that the purpose of the act is to increase California community college student access and success by providing effective core matriculation services of orientation, assessment and placement, counseling, and other education planning services, and academic interventions. This bill would require a community college district or college to maximize the probability that the student will enter and complete transfer-level coursework in English and mathematics within a one-year timeframe, and use, in the placement of students into English and mathematics courses in order to achieve this goal, one or more of the following: high school coursework, high school grades, and high school grade point average.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 819(Medina D) California State University: regulations.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 712, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law, to be repealed as of January 1, 2018, sets forth a procedure for the adoption, amendment, or repeal of regulations by the trustees, and requires the Trustees of the California State University to follow that procedure rather than the procedure set forth in the Administrative Procedure Act. This provision includes requirements that notice of the proposed regulations be sent, at least 45 days before a public hearing at which the proposed regulations are to be considered, to those persons who have requested notices of the meetings. Current law also requires that notice of the proposed regulations be available to the public in electronic format. This bill would specify that, at least 45 days before the public hearing, and before adoption of a proposed regulation, written notice of the proposed regulation shall be made available on the Internet Web site of the trustees.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 868(Berman D) Private postsecondary education: community-based organizations.**

**Status:** 9/23/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 260, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would exempt from the California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009 an institution owned, controlled, operated, and maintained by a community-based organization, as defined under a specified provision of federal law as that provision exists on March 1, 2017, that meets specified conditions, including having programs on, or applying for some or all of its programs to be on, the Eligible Training Provider List established and maintained by the California Workforce Development Board.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 957(Levine D) Higher education regional workforce coordination: California Workforce Development Board.**

**Status:** 10/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 661, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require the California State University (CSU), and request the University of California (UC), to participate in regional conversations pursuant to the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. The bill would require CSU, and request the UC, to submit a summary of those first-year activities to the Legislature on or before May 1, 2019, on specified topics related to regional workforce demands. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 990(Rodriguez D) Public postsecondary education: California State University: University of California: estimates of off-campus housing costs.**

**Status:** 8/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 170, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would express legislative findings and declarations relating to the reporting of estimates of off-campus housing costs to students. The bill would require each campus of the California State University, and request each campus of the University of California, to post on its Internet Web site, on or before February 1, 2018, and on or

before February 1 of each year thereafter, information about the market cost of a one-bedroom apartment in the areas surrounding that campus where its students commonly reside.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1018 (Reyes D) Community colleges: student equity plans.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 751, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires, as a condition for receiving Student Success and Support Program funding, that the governing board of each community college district maintain a student equity plan, as specified, and requires the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to make an annual report related to those plans. This bill would add homeless, lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender students to the categories of students required to be addressed in the student equity plans. The bill would also add any additional categories of students determined by the governing board of the community college.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1064 (Calderon D) California State University: student discretionary expenses survey.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Would, on or before January 1, 2021, and on or before each January 1 every 3 years thereafter, require the California State University to conduct a survey of a representative sample of the student population at each campus to determine the average student's annual discretionary expenses, which shall not include tuition and fees, to attend the campus, including the average annual cost for each category of discretionary expense and average annual total cost of attendance. The bill would require each campus to post its category averages and its average annual total cost of attendance on its Internet Web site within the 6 months immediately following completion of each campuswide survey.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1064 without my signature. While I understand the desire to provide students and families with detailed and accurate cost information on all aspects of college attendance, the bill requires too many data points to be collected, analyzed and reported by each campus at not trivial expense. If the Board of Trustees is dissatisfied with the way cost estimates are currently reported to the U.S. Department of Education's College Navigator, then the Board should decide what information is most valuable and how much funding should be allocated to its collection and dissemination. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1178 (Calderon D) Postsecondary education: student loans.**

**Status:** 10/3/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 448, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Under current law, the segments of postsecondary education in this state are the University of California, the California State University, the California Community Colleges, independent institutions of higher education, and private postsecondary educational institutions. This bill would require, commencing with the 2018–19 award year, each higher education institution, except for the California Community Colleges, to the extent that the institution receives a student borrower's federal, state, and private education loan information, to send an individualized letter, by regular mail or electronic mail, to that student that includes specified information.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1299 (Gipson D) Community colleges: Compton Community College District.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 757, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law prescribes various procedures to address the termination of Compton Community College's accreditation by the regional accrediting body recognized by the board of governors and, after the college's accreditation is terminated, requires the board of governors to approve the facilities of Compton Community College as an off-campus educational center of a partner district. Pursuant to existing law, the facilities formerly operated by the Compton Community College District have instead been operated by a partner district as

El Camino College Compton Center. This bill would apply specified provisions to students enrolled at El Camino College Compton Center 6 months before the change in control of that institution from the El Camino Community College District to the Compton Community College District.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1567 (Holden D) Public postsecondary education: California State University: California Community Colleges: foster youth: Higher Education Outreach and Assistance Act for Foster Youth.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 763, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would change the name of the Higher Education Outreach and Assistance Act for Emancipated Foster Youth to the Higher Education Outreach and Assistance Act for Foster Youth. The bill would also require the State Department of Social Services and county welfare departments, in coordination with the California State University and the California Community Colleges, to coordinate with staff of several designated entities, as appropriate, to verify eligibility of foster youth for participation in programs and other benefits.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1655 (Grayson D) University of California: requests from the California State Auditor's Office: prohibition on coordination.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 802, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The California Constitution provides that the University of California constitutes a public trust administered by the Regents of the University of California, a corporation in the form of a board, with full powers of organization and government, subject to legislative control only for specified purposes. The University of California system includes 10 campuses. This bill, whenever a request for information relating to the security of funds of the University of California is made by the California State Auditor's Office pursuant to these provisions to one or more campuses of the University of California, would prohibit those campuses from coordinating their responses with, or seeking counsel, advice, or similar contact regarding their response from, the Office of the President of the University of California before submitting the requested information to the California State Auditor's Office.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1674 (Grayson D) University of California: nonresident student enrollment.**

**Status:** 10/14/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 803, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would request the University of California, in collaboration with the Academic Senate of the University of California, to ensure that implementation of any admissions policy regarding admission of nonresident undergraduate students includes guidance that ensures the academic qualifications for admitted nonresident undergraduate students generally exceeds the academic qualifications of resident undergraduate students, and would request the University of California to report specified information to the Legislature annually regarding implementation of the policy.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 12 (Beall D) Foster youth: postsecondary education: financial aid assistance.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 722, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require the Student Aid Commission to work cooperatively with the State Department of Social Services to develop an automated system to verify a student's status as a foster youth to aid in the processing of applications for federal financial aid. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **SB 68 (Lara D) Public postsecondary education: exemption from nonresident tuition.**

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 496, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would exempt a student, other than a nonimmigrant alien, from nonresident tuition at the California State University and the California Community Colleges if the student has a total of 3 or more years of attendance, or attainment of equivalent credits earned while in California, California high schools, California adult schools, campuses of the California Community Colleges, or a combination of those schools, as specified, or the student completes 3 or more years of full-time high school coursework, and a total of 3 or more years of attendance in California elementary schools, California secondary schools, or a combination of California elementary and secondary schools.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **SB 164 (McGuire D) Public postsecondary education: priority registration for Tribal TANF recipients.**

**Status:** 7/21/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 97, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires each community college district that administers a priority enrollment system to grant priority in that system for registration for enrollment to any student who is a recipient of aid under the CalWORKs program, as defined. This bill would also require each community college district that administers a priority enrollment system to grant priority in that system for registration for enrollment to any student who is a recipient of aid under the Tribal TANF program, as defined.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## **HOMELESS & FOSTER YOUTH**

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### **AB 507(Rubio D) Resource families: training topics.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 705, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes a county to require a resource family or applicant to receive relevant specialized training for the purpose of preparing the resource family to meet the needs of a particular child in care. This bill would require a portion of the annual resource family training to support the case plans, goals, and needs of children in the resource family home, if there are any children in the home, in accordance with applicable written directives or regulations, as specified by the Department of Social Services. The bill would also authorize a county, in its discretion, to require a resource family or applicant to receive one or more hours of relevant specialized training that is in addition to the hours of that training that are required by state law.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 604(Gipson D) Nonminor dependents: extended foster care benefits.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 707, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would, among other things, provide that a minor or nonminor who met or would meet the criteria to be within the transition jurisdiction of the juvenile court, but for the fact that the underlying adjudication was vacated because the minor or nonminor was a victim of human trafficking when the crime was committed, is within the court's transition jurisdiction. The bill would require the court to assume transition jurisdiction over the minor or nonminor notwithstanding that vacating of the underlying adjudication, and would require the Judicial Council, on or before January 1, 2019, to amend and adopt rules of court and develop appropriate forms to implement these provisions.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 818(Burke D) CalWORKs: welfare to work.**

**Status:** 7/31/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 141, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires a recipient of CalWORKs to participate in certain welfare-to-work activities as a condition of eligibility for 24 cumulative months, as specified, and then to meet other federal requirements afterwards, as specified. Current law authorizes each county to provide an extension of the 24 months for recipients who are unlikely to meet the federal requirements, and authorizes a recipient to request the extension and present evidence to the county that he or she meets a specified circumstance. This bill would provide that for purposes of the educational or treatment program circumstance, a high school education or its equivalent is presumed to meaningfully increase the likelihood of the recipient's employment.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 1520 (Burke D) Lifting Children and Families Out of Poverty Task Force.**

**Status:** 10/2/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 415, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would establish the Lifting Children and Families Out of Poverty Task Force, for the purpose of submitting a report to the Legislature and the executive branch administration of the state, as specified, that recommends future comprehensive strategies to achieve the reduction of deep poverty among children and reduce the overall child poverty rate in the state. The bill would require the report to be completed by November 1, 2018. The bill would require the State Department of Social Services to invite and convene the task force and to assist the task force in carrying out its duties, as specified. The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2020.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **SB 233 (Beall D) Foster children: records.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 829, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would add to the information that may be accessed records of attendance, discipline, and online communication on platforms established by schools for pupils and parents, and any plan adopted pursuant to specified federal law, as provided, and would require that these records be the current or most recent records for the pupil.

**Position:** Support

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## **IMMIGRATION**

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### **AB 450(Chiu D) Employment regulation: immigration worksite enforcement actions.**

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 492, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would impose various requirements on public and private employers with regard to federal immigration agency immigration worksite enforcement actions. Except as otherwise required by federal law, the bill would prohibit an employer or other person acting on the employer's behalf from providing voluntary consent to an immigration enforcement agent to enter nonpublic areas of a place of labor unless the agent provides a judicial warrant, except as specified. Except as required by federal law, the bill would prohibit an employer or other person acting on the employer's behalf from providing voluntary consent to an immigration enforcement agent to access, review, or obtain the employer's employee records without a subpoena or court order, subject to a specified exception.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 493(Jones-Sawyer D) Crime: victims and witnesses: immigration violations.**

**Status:** 9/1/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 194, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law prohibits a peace officer from detaining an individual exclusively for any actual or suspected immigration violation or reporting or turning the individual over to federal immigration authorities whenever an individual who is a victim of or witness to a hate crime, as defined, or who otherwise can give evidence

in a hate crime investigation, is not charged with or convicted of committing any crime under state law. This bill would enact a prohibition similar to the one described above that would be applicable whenever an individual is a victim of or witness to a crime, or otherwise can give evidence in a criminal investigation, without regard to whether the crime is a hate crime.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1440 (Kalra D) Peace officers.**

**Status:** 7/24/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 116, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Under current law, federal criminal investigators and law enforcement officers are not California peace officers, but are authorized to exercise the powers of arrest of a peace officer in this state under specified circumstances, including when probable cause exists to believe that a public offense that involves immediate danger to persons or property has just occurred or is being committed. This bill would specify that United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers and United States Customs and Border Protection officers are not California peace officers.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 29 (Lara D) Law enforcement: immigration.**

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 494, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes a county board of supervisors on behalf of its sheriff, and a legislative body of a city on behalf of its chief of police, to contract to provide supplemental law enforcement services to private individuals, private entities, and private corporations in specified circumstances and subject to certain conditions. This bill would, commencing on January 1, 2018, prohibit a city, county, or city and county, or a local law enforcement agency that does not, as of that date, have a contract with the federal government or any federal agency or a private corporation to detain noncitizens for the purposes of civil immigration custody from entering into a contract with those entities to house or detain in a locked detention facility noncitizens for purposes of civil immigration custody.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 257 (Lara D) School admissions: pupil residency: pupils of departed parents: residents of adjoining state or foreign country: school district reimbursement.**

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 498, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would provide that a pupil complies with the residency requirement for school attendance in a school district if he or she is a pupil whose parent or parents were residents of this state and departed California against their will, as defined, and, if the pupil seeks admission to a school of a school district, requires that the pupil be admitted by the governing board of the school district if that pupil meets specified requirements.

**Position:** Watch

**SB 613 (De León D) Immigration status.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 774, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the Division of Juvenile Justice to cooperate with the United States Bureau of Immigration in arranging for the deportation of all aliens who are committed to it. This bill would repeal that provision. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

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### **AB 858(Dababneh D) Pupil instruction: California Financial Literacy Initiative.**

**Status:** 10/9/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Would establish the California Financial Literacy Initiative as a program for improving financial literacy by offering instructional materials for teachers and parents to provide high-quality financial literacy education for pupils in kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive. The bill would provide that the initiative would be under the administration of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 858 without my signature. This bill would establish the California Financial Literacy Initiative to provide instructional materials for pupils in kindergarten through grade 12. This bill is unnecessary. The History-Social Science Framework already contains financial literacy content for pupils in kindergarten through grade 12, as well as a financial literacy elective. In addition, the California Department of Education maintains a Web page with financial literacy resources for pupils in kindergarten through grade 12. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Disapprove

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## OTHER

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### **SB 557 (Hernandez D) Food donations and pupil meals: schools.**

**Status:** 9/25/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 285, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law generally prohibits food that is unused or returned by the consumer, after being served or sold and in the possession of a consumer, from being offered as food for human consumption. Current law authorizes a container of food that is not potentially hazardous to be transferred from one consumer to another if the food is dispensed so that it is protected from contamination and the container is closed between uses or if the food is in an unopened original package and is maintained in sound condition, and if the food is checked periodically on a regular basis. This bill would exempt from this prohibition specified food that food service staff, pupils, and faculty return to a sharing table at a local educational agency, as defined, and that is made available to pupils during the course of a regular school meal time or then donated to a food bank or any other nonprofit charitable organization, as specified.

**Position:** Support

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## PRIVACY

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### **AB 459(Chau D) Public records: video or audio recordings: crime.**

**Status:** 9/26/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 291, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The California Public Records Act requires state and local agencies to make their records available for public inspection, unless an exemption from disclosure applies. This bill would specify that the act does not require disclosure of a video or audio recording that was created during the commission or investigation of the crime of rape, incest, sexual assault, domestic violence, or child abuse that depicts the face, intimate body part, or voice of a victim of the incident depicted in the recording.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 1034 (Chau D) Government interruption of communications.**

**Status:** 9/27/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 322, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would prohibit any government entity, or service provider acting at the request of a government entity, from interrupting a communication service either to prevent the communications service from being used for

an illegal purpose or to protect public health, safety, or welfare. The bill would authorize a government entity to interrupt a communications service for either of those purposes in an extreme emergency situation, as specified, or if the interruption is authorized by a court order.

**Position:** Neutral

**SB 31 (Lara D) California Religious Freedom Act: state agencies: disclosure of religious affiliation information.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 826, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would prohibit a state or local agency or a public employee acting under color of law from providing or disclosing to the federal government personal information regarding a person's religious beliefs, practices, or affiliation, as specified, when the information is sought for compiling a database of individuals based on religious belief, practice, or affiliation, national origin, or ethnicity for law enforcement or immigration purposes.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 597 (Leyva D) Human trafficking: victim confidentiality.**

**Status:** 10/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 570, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law authorizes victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking to complete an application to be approved by the Secretary of State for the purpose of enabling state and local agencies to respond to requests for public records without disclosing a program participant's residence address contained in any public record and otherwise provide for confidentiality of identity for that person, subject to specified conditions. This bill would make this program available to a victim of human trafficking, as defined. The bill would also make the program available to household members, as defined, of a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, excluding the perpetrator, if applicable.

**Position:** Approve

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**PUPIL SERVICES** (Counseling/Student & Mental Health)

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**AB 501(Ridley-Thomas D) Mental health: community care facilities.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 704, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize the State Department of Social Services to, no later than January 1, 2019, and contingent upon an appropriation in the annual Budget Act for these purposes, license a short-term residential therapeutic program operating as a children's crisis residential program, as defined, and would require the department to regulate those programs, as specified.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1315 (Mullin D) Mental health: early psychosis and mood disorder detection and intervention.**

**Status:** 10/2/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 414, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would establish an advisory committee to the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission for purposes of creating an early psychosis and mood disorder detection and intervention competitive selection process to, among other things, expand the provision of high-quality, evidence-based early psychosis and mood disorder detection and intervention services in this state by providing funding to the counties for this purpose. The bill would require a county that receives an award of funds to contribute local funds, as specified.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## ROC/P's | WORKFORCE PREPARATION | CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION

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### **AB 1731** (Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy) **Apprenticeships: training funds: audits.**

**Status:** 7/21/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 94, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Under current law, the California Apprenticeship Council, in the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, among other duties, cooperates in the development of apprenticeship programs and advises the programs on problems affecting apprenticeship standards. This bill would revise the principles upon which the California Community Colleges Economic Workforce Development Program operates to require the program to provide guidance to local educational agencies on the allocation and oversight of apprenticeship training funds, consistent with the rules set by the California Apprenticeship Council.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## SCHOOL FINANCE | LOCAL CONTROL FUNDING FORMULA (LCFF) | PARCEL TAXES

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### **SB 624 (Galgiani D)** **Property taxation: liens: recordation.**

**Status:** 7/31/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 164, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law provides that a tax on personal property is a lien against any real property on the secured roll also belonging to the owner of the personal property in specified circumstances. Existing law authorizes the county tax collector to record a lien with respect to certain types of taxes on real and personal property with the county recorder. This bill would authorize the board of supervisors of a county to provide that a tax on real or personal property is not a lien against the property assessed or the assessee if the amount of the tax assessed against that property or assessee is less than an amount set by that ordinance or resolution, up to \$200, excluding any interest, penalties, or other fees.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## SCHOOL SAFETY

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### **AB 350(Salas D)** **Cannabis edibles: appealing to children.**

**Status:** 10/6/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** The Control, Regulate and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA), enacted by the voters at the November 8, 2016, statewide general election, regulates the cultivation, distribution, and use of cannabis for nonmedical purposes by individuals 21 years of age and older. AUMA places specified requirements on cannabis products, including prohibiting cannabis products that are designed to be appealing to children or easily confused with commercially sold candy or foods that do not contain marijuana. This bill would amend the AUMA to prohibit a cannabis product from being made in the shape of a person, animal, insect, or fruit.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 350 without my signature. This bill prohibits cannabis products to be made in the shape of a person, animal, insect, or fruit. In mid-September the Legislature passed Assembly Bill 133, which made clarifying changes necessary to implement a single cannabis state regulatory framework. As currently drafted, this bill would chapter out specific provisions in the recently enacted trailer bill. Therefore, I cannot sign it at this time. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 529(Stone, Mark D) Juveniles: sealing of records.**

**Status:** 10/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 685, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require, if a person who has been alleged to be a ward of the juvenile court and has his or her petition dismissed or if the petition is not sustained by the court after an adjudication hearing, the court to seal all records pertaining to that dismissed petition that are in the custody of the juvenile court, and in the custody of law enforcement agencies, the probation department, or the Department of Justice in accordance with a specified procedure. The bill would make additional technical changes. By imposing new duties on local agencies relating to sealing juvenile records, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 1029 (Weber D) Comprehensive school safety plans.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Current law requires a schoolsite council or a school safety planning committee comprised of specified members to write and develop a comprehensive school safety plan relevant to the needs and resources of a particular school, and exempts a small school district from this requirement if certain conditions are met. Current law authorizes a school district or county office of education to elect to have the portions of the plan that include tactical responses to criminal incidents to be developed by the administrators of the school district or county office of education in consultation with law enforcement officials. This bill would require the comprehensive school safety plan to be aligned with the school climate state priority and the local control and accountability plan.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1029 without my signature. This bill requires a school safety planning committee to include at least one person who is an expert in the social and emotional health of children and youth. While I agree that this is a good idea, there is nothing in current law that prevents local schools from including a wide range of expertise on their school safety planning committee. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Approve

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## **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

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### **AB 1264 (Garcia, Eduardo D) Special education pupils: individualized education program: meetings: school records.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Current law requires a public agency to comply with a request for school records without unnecessary delay before any meeting regarding an individualized education program. This bill would require a public agency, before any meeting regarding an individualized education program, to offer to provide to the parent copies of any available, completed school records related to the pupil's current levels of performance, and any available, completed assessment reports, if these records and reports are related to that meeting. The bill would require the public agency, if the parent requests those copies, to make them available to the parent at least 5 business days before the meeting.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1264 without my signature. This bill would require that a parent be offered copies of relevant school records and assessment reports at least five business days before a meeting regarding a student's Individualized Education Program under special education laws. This bill is unnecessary. The Notice of Procedural Safeguards, which is required under the Individuals with Disabilities Act, highlights parents' rights to request copies of relevant school records and reports and receive them within five business days of the request. This document is provided to parents the first time their child is referred for a special education assessment, when they ask for a copy, each time they are given an assessment plan to evaluate their child, upon receipt of their first state or due process complaint in a school year, and when the decision is made to make a removal that constitutes a change of placement. As a

result, parents who wish to review these records and reports before an Individualized Education Program meeting can already do so. For this reason, I am returning AB 1264 without my signature. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Disapprove

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## STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### **SB 596 (Stern D) Civics education: Student Empowerment Commission.**

**Status:** 9/28/2017-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.

**Summary:** Would establish the Student Empowerment Commission program, under which a public school, including a charter school, and a private school may choose to participate in the program and each year elect a pupil in grade 9, 10, or 11 to participate in regional and statewide conferences and to prepare proposals addressing legislative solutions to public policy issues, as specified. The bill would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to solicit proposals and select one or more qualified nonprofit organizations to assist in the administration of the program.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 596 without my signature. This bill would create a Student Empowerment Commission with a regional delegate structure to elect students to attend conferences, which would provide policy recommendations to the Legislature. I believe this bill is unnecessary. The California Association of Student Councils already provides students an opportunity to attend an annual conference and present policy recommendations to both the Legislature and the Board of Education. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Neutral

### **AB 491(Muratsuchi D) California Civil Liberties Public Education Act.**

**Status:** 9/26/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 292, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The California Civil Liberties Public Education Act establishes a grant program, administered by the State Librarian, for the stated purpose of sponsoring educational activities and the development of educational materials to ensure that the events surrounding the exclusion, forced removal, and internment of citizens and permanent residents of Japanese ancestry will be remembered and so that the causes and circumstances of this and similar events may be illuminated and understood. This bill would revise the act to, among other things, expand the scope of the grant program to include content linking the exclusion, forced removal, and internment of citizens and permanent residents of Japanese ancestry with current civil liberties challenges, as specified.

**Position;** Staff - watch

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## STRs | PERs | PENSIONS

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### **AB 20 (Kalra D) Public employee retirement systems: divestment: Dakota Access Pipeline.**

**Status:** 10/8/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 575, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require the boards of administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System and the State Teachers' Retirement System to make a specified report, on or before April 1, 2018, to the Legislature and the Governor regarding investments in the Dakota Access Pipeline, as defined. The bill would declare the intent of the Legislature that the boards, on or before April 1, 2018, review and consider factors related to tribal sovereignty and indigenous tribal rights as part of the boards' investment policies related to environmental, social, and governance issues.

**Position:** Neutral

### **AB 590(Medina D) Public employees' retirement: membership election.**

**Status:** 7/24/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 108, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Public Employees' Retirement Law permits a member of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) who is employed by a school employer, the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, or the State Department of Education to elect to have specified service excluded from coverage by the Defined Benefit Program of the State Teachers' Retirement Plan and instead be subject to coverage by PERS, as specified. This bill would limit the application of that option to a member of PERS who was employed by a school employer, the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, or the State Department of Education within 120 days before the member's date of hire to perform service that requires membership in the Defined Benefit Program of the State Teachers' Retirement Plan.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 679(Cooley D) Public employees' retirement: investments: security loans.**

**Status:** 9/1/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 198, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** PERL grants the Board of Administration of PERS exclusive control of and fiduciary responsibility for the investment of the Public Employees' Retirement Fund, and authorizes the board to enter into specific types of security loan agreements, whereby a legal owner (the lender) agrees to lend specific marketable corporate or government securities for no more than one year, and the lender retains the right to collect from the borrower all dividends, interest, premiums, rights, and other distributions. Current law grants the board the authority to enter into these agreements pursuant to specific provisions covering security loan agreements by state agencies. This bill would delete the above reference to the security loan provisions for state agencies, thereby providing the board with separate authority to enter into security loan agreements.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1243 (Arambula D) Public Employees' Retirement System: replacement benefits plan.**

**Status:** 9/25/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 277, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law establishes in the treasury of each county the county school service fund, for use by the county superintendent of schools to pay all the charges against the fund and to provide for additional apportionments to school districts or community districts under his or her jurisdiction for various expenses. This bill would authorize a county superintendent of schools, on an annual basis or as otherwise directed by the board, for the purpose of paying necessary contributions to the replacement benefit plan, to draw requisitions against the county school service fund and the funds of the respective school districts or other local educational agencies in amounts equal to the total of the contributions required to be paid pursuant to replacement benefit plan provisions.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1309 (Cooley D) Employment without reinstatement: failure to enroll or report: fee.**

**Status:** 9/23/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 261, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System to assess an employer that fails to enroll, solely for the administrative recordkeeping purposes of the system, a retired member employed without reinstatement within 30 days after the effective date of hire, or that fails to report the pay rate and number of hours worked by the retired member within 30 days of the last day of the pay period in which the retired member worked, a \$200 fee per month, as specified. The bill would prohibit an employer from passing those fees on to an employee.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1325 (Committee on Public Employees, Retirement, and Social Security) State teachers' retirement.**

**Status:** 9/26/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 298, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Current law requires the Teacher's Retirement Board to offer a midcareer retirement information program for the benefit of all members. Current law authorizes the board, at a public meeting, to assess a fee for participating in the program and prescribes specified requirements related to a notice that the board must provide

to members regarding the program, including a possible requirement for a state basic skills assessment, as specified. This bill would eliminate the authority to charge a fee and the notice requirements, as described above.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1487 (Rodriguez D) Public Employees' Retirement System: limited term appointments.**

**Status:** 9/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 229, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Public Employees' Retirement Law authorizes a public agency and a school employer to contract to make their employees members of PERS. PERL establishes the compensation earnable by members of the system, defined as the member's payrate and special compensation, which includes out-of-class pay for state members. This bill would prohibit an out-of-class appointment by a contracting agency or school employer from exceeding 960 hours each fiscal year. The bill would define "out-of-class appointment" to mean an appointment to an upgraded position or higher classification by an employer or governing board or body in a vacant position for a limited duration.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 525 (Pan D) Public employees' retirement.**

**Status:** 9/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 241, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** PERL requires a member who is incapacitated, as specified, to be retired for disability in accordance with certain provisions if that member meets specified requirements concerning service. Under PERL, the terms "disability" and "incapacity for performance of duty" are defined, as a basis of retirement, to mean disability of permanent or extended and uncertain duration, as determined by the board, except with respect to certain local safety members. This bill would redefine those terms to specify that the duration of the disability or incapacity must be expected to last at least 12 consecutive months or result in death.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SCR 32 (Pan D) State employee merit awards.**

**Status:** 8/25/2017-Chaptered by Secretary of State- Chapter 121, Statutes of 2017

**Summary:** This measure would declare that merit award payments in specified amounts, authorized by the Department of Human Resources, are made to specified current or retired state employees whose proposals have resulted in annual savings and net revenue gains to the state.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## TAX CREDIT | TAX POLICY

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**AB 461 (Muratsuchi D) Personal income taxes: exclusion: forgiven student loan debt.**

**Status:** 10/6/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 525, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Personal Income Tax Law provides various exclusions from gross income in determining tax liability, including an exclusion for the amount of student loan indebtedness repaid or canceled pursuant to a specified federal law, relating to income-based repayment. This bill would, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2017, and before January 1, 2022, revise this exclusion to include student loan indebtedness canceled, pursuant to federal law, that includes other repayment plans.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 490 (Quirk-Silva D) Taxation: credits: College Access Tax Credit.**

**Status:** 10/6/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 527, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** The Insurance Tax Law, the Personal Income Tax Law, and the Corporation Tax Law allow various credits against the taxes imposed by those laws, including a credit, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2017, and before January 1, 2018, equal to 50% of a contribution to the College Access Tax Credit Fund, as

provided. Those laws specify that the moneys in the College Access Tax Credit Fund shall be allocated first to the General Fund, then, upon appropriation, to specified agencies for administrative costs related to this credit, and lastly continuously appropriated the to Student Aid Commission for awarding Cal Grants, as provided. This bill would extend the operation of the credit to taxable years beginning before January 1, 2023.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 846(Cooley D) Voluntary contributions: California YMCA Youth and Government Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund.**

**Status:** 7/31/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 142, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would allow an individual to designate on his or her tax return that a specified amount in excess of his or her tax liability be transferred to the California YMCA Youth and Government Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund, which would be created by this bill. This bill contains other existing laws.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 11 (Gaines R) Taxes: interest: penalties.**

**Status:** 10/2/2017-Vetoed by the Governor. In Senate. Consideration of Governor's veto pending.

**Summary:** Current law requires the State Board of Equalization to administer various taxes and fees, including the Sales and Use Tax Law, the Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law, the Use Fuel Tax Law, the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Tax Law, the Alcoholic Beverage Tax Law, the Energy Resources Surcharge Law, the Emergency Telephone Users Surcharge Law, the Hazardous Substances Tax Law, the Integrated Waste Management Fee Law, the Oil Spill Response, Prevention, and Administration Fees Law, the Underground Storage Tank Maintenance Fee Law, the Fee Collection Procedures Law, and the Diesel Fuel Tax Law. This bill would prohibit, as of specified dates under the laws listed above, the assessment of interest and specified penalties against any person for failure to timely file a return or make payments of any taxes, surcharges, or fees imposed under those laws if the failure to timely file a return or make a payment is attributable to the failure of the State Board of Equalization's or its successor agency's, Internet Web site, as provided, unless the person fails to file a return or pay the amount of tax within a reasonable time after the conclusion of the outage period.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 11 without my signature. This bill waives interest and penalties automatically for a taxpayer's failure to pay due taxes because of website system failure at the Department of Tax and Fee Administration or State Board of Equalization. The Department and Board already have an existing mechanism to relieve taxpayers of unwarranted interest and penalties due to website disruption. Therefore, this bill is unnecessary. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff- watch

**SB 61 (Hertzberg D) Personal income taxes: voluntary contributions: Emergency Food for Families Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund.**

**Status:** 10/12/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 723, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would change the name of the Emergency Food Assistance Program Fund to the Emergency Food for Families Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund, would provide that the required calendar year minimum contribution amount for the fund to continue appearing on the return is an unadjusted \$250,000, and would extend the provisions that apply to that voluntary contribution fund until January 1, 2026.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 503 (Newman D) Personal income taxes: voluntary tax contribution funds.**

**Status:** 10/5/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 519, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would conform with specified requirements by extending the operation of the provisions of the Keep Arts in Schools Fund to January 1, 2025, renaming the fund as the Keep Arts in Schools Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund, continuously appropriating the fund to the Franchise Tax Board, the Controller, and the Arts Council for

purposes of carrying out these provisions, and requiring the Arts Council to comply with those Internet Web site reporting requirements.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## TECHNOLOGY

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### **AB 597(Stone, Mark D) Child abuse and neglect: information: computerized database system.**

**Status:** 10/8/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 581, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize the Counties of Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and San Mateo to jointly establish a computerized database system to be used between and among those counties, and would authorize that system to also share specified identifying information regarding families at risk for child abuse or neglect for research purposes. The bill would authorize the sharing of personal identifying information for research purposes only upon approval by an institutional review board. The bill would set forth various conditions for the review and approval of a research project for the purpose of protecting personal identifying information.

**Position:** Watch

### **SCR 30 (Pan D) Education technology.**

**Status:** 6/29/2017-Chaptered by Secretary of State- Chapter 97, Statues of 2017

**Summary:** This measure would recognize the need for improving the ongoing implementation and use of technology in educational institutions and identifying best practices for technology equipment upgrades.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## TRANSPORTATION

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### **AB 17 (Holden D) Transit Pass Pilot Program: free or reduced-fare transit passes.**

**Status:** 10/15/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** Would, upon the appropriation of moneys from the Public Transportation Account by the Legislature, create the Transit Pass Pilot Program to be administered by the Department of Transportation to provide free or reduced-fare transit passes, directly or through a 3rd party, including a transit agency, to specified pupils and students by supporting new, or expanding existing, transit pass programs. The bill would require the department to develop guidelines that describe the application process and selection criteria for awarding the moneys made available for the program, and would exempt the development of those guidelines from the Administrative Procedure Act.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 17 without my signature. This bill requires the Department of Transportation to create a competitive grant program for local transit agencies to provide free and reduced-fare transit passes for low-income students. Many transit agencies, including the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, already have a variety of reduced-fare transit programs for students. Before we create this new statewide program, I think we should have a fuller discussion on how local transit discount programs work and how any new ones should be paid for. Sincerely, Edmund G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

### **AB 63 (Frazier D) Driver's licenses: instruction permits and provisional licenses.**

**Status:** 10/7/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

**Summary:** During the first 12 months after issuance of a provisional license, existing law prohibits the licensee from driving between the hours of 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. and transporting passengers who are under 20 years of age. Current law provides limited exceptions to these restrictions under which a licensee is authorized to drive under

specified circumstances. This bill would, commencing January 1, 2020, expand the scope of the provisional licensing program by extending the applicable age range for the program to 16 to under 21 years of age. The bill would exempt active duty members of the California National Guard, the State Military Reserve, or the United States Armed Forces who are at least 18 years of age from the program.

**Governor's Message:** To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 63 without my signature. This bill takes existing driver license restrictions placed on minors aged 16 and 17 years and extends it to adults between 18 to 21 years old. While I understand the author's intent of needing to address factors that contribute to the unnecessary collisions and deaths of young Californians on our highways, the provisions of this bill create a burden on a segment of adult Californians that are no longer seen as a minor in the eyes of the law. Eighteen year olds are eligible to enlist in the military, vote in national, state, and local elections, enter into contracts, and buy their own car. I believe adults should not be subject to the same driving restrictions presently applied to minors. When I vetoed a similar bill in 2013, I believed that efforts would be better focused on teen driver training and education programs that improve transportation safety for provisional drivers. That is still my view today. Sincerely, Governor Edward G. Brown Jr.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**AB 1453 (Garcia, Eduardo D) Schoolbuses: adult volunteer transportation.**

**Status:** 8/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 173, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would authorize the governing board of a school district to additionally provide for the transportation of adult volunteers to and from educational activities authorized by the school district. This bill contains other existing laws.

**Position:** Staff - watch

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## **WORKERS COMPENSATION**

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**AB 44 (Reyes D) Workers' compensation: medical treatment: terrorist attacks: workplace violence.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 736, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would require employers to provide immediate support from a nurse case manager to employees injured in the course of employment by an act of domestic terrorism, as defined, would require employer-appointed nurse case managers to assist claimants to obtain medically necessary medical treatments, as specified, and would require an employer to provide a prescribed notice to claimants, as specified. The bill would make its provisions applicable only if the Governor declares a state of emergency, as defined, in connection with the act of domestic terrorism.

**Position:** Staff - watch

**SB 189 (Bradford D) Workers' compensation: definition of employee.**

**Status:** 10/13/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 770, Statutes of 2017.

**Summary:** Would expand the scope of the exception from the definition of an employee to apply to an officer or member of the board of directors of a quasi-public or private corporation, except as specified, who owns at least 10% of the issued and outstanding stock, or 1% of the issued and outstanding stock of the corporation if that officer's or member's parent, grandparent, sibling, spouse, or child owns at least 10% of the issued and outstanding stock of the corporation and that officer or member is covered by a health care service plan or a health insurance policy, and executes a written waiver, as specified.

**Position:** Staff - watch