OVERVIEW
Legislative policy committee hearings are in full swing in April. This is because bills that were introduced at the beginning of this session must pass their policy committee in the house of origin by either May 3, for bills with a fiscal impact, or May 17 for non-fiscal bills. For community colleges, the policy committees for our bills of interest are usually the Assembly Committee on Higher Education or in the Senate Committee on Education.

Policy committee staff work with author’s staff to improve measures and provide them with information that may affect their decision to move forward on the measure as written. The result of this work is that we see many of our bills of interest amended before and/or after a committee has voted on the measure, especially if the bill passed the committee “as amended.” In these cases the amendments are drawn from the staff recommendations in the analysis.

A number of the “spot,” or placeholder measures we’ve been tracking have now been amended to either substantive measures we continue to track, or completely different bills. Below is a list of bills we were tracking that have been amended and dropped from our bills of interest.

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Sponsored bills
At the May Board of Governors meetings, AB 1100 (Levine) and SB 576 (Block) will be taken up for a vote by the Board to sponsor these bills. AB 1100 by Marc Levine amends the Public Utilities Code to remove a regulatory cap limiting community colleges’ access to the California Teleconnect Fund (CTF). The Utility Reform Network (TURN), a consumer advocacy group, and the PUC stated their opposition to AB 1100 prior to the April 15, 2013 policy committee hearing. Both TURN and the PUC raised concerns about prejudging the outcome of the
regulatory process, and the potential that lifting the cap on community colleges would disable the Public Utilities Commission’s (PUC) ability to control costs and manage the program without further raising the surcharge that funds the CTF. Prior to the April 15, 2013 hearing, staff from the Chancellor’s Office and Corporation for Education Network Initiatives in California (CENIC) worked with PUC staff to amend the bill language to ensure that community colleges are treated fairly within the CTF, removing the PUC’s opposition. AB 1100 passed on a vote of 13-1 in the Assembly Committee on Utilities and Commerce. At the hearing, the PUC representative announced that they removed their opposition. TURN stated that they needed time to consider the amendments, which may remove their opposition.

SB 576 by Senator Marty Block requires the Board of Governors to appoint an ex officio member to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC). The CTC is proposing to have a seat on the Commission for community colleges. Our seat replaces the one formerly held by the now defunct California Postsecondary Education Commission. The Commission invited the Chancellor’s Office to sponsor the measure because community colleges play a significant role in preparing students to enter the teacher pipeline and preparing students for child development credentials that are awarded by the CTC. Community colleges also offer programs in child development and administration and other related areas for child development credentials. Four of the five child development credentials can be obtained with an associate’s degree or less and these credentials make up 20% of all credentials issued by the CTC. SB 576 is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 24, 2013.

BILLS OF INTEREST
At this early stage in the legislative session, we continue to research bills to determine which measures to prioritize for analysis, and a position. The attached matrix is in priority order, and brief summaries are provided below for measures in our top level, Tier 1. For details and copies of any bill, please visit the Legislative Counsel’s website at: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov.

ACCOUNTABILITY

- **SB 195 (Liu) California Postsecondary Education: State Goals.** SB 195 states the intent of the Legislature to set three goals for higher education for budget and policy decisions. The Governor’s Office of Planning and Research would convene a working group to assist with the development of those metrics.
  
  - **Status:** SB 195 will be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 17, 2013.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- **AB 51 (Logue) Baccalaureate Pilot Program.** AB 51 creates a pilot program to become a model of articulation linking K-12 schools, community colleges, and CSU campuses in seven regional areas for students to earn a bachelor’s degree in STEM related fields for $10,000 or less, including the cost of textbooks.
  
  - **Status:** Two-year bill.

- **AB 181 (Logue) Public Postsecondary Education: Degree Pilot Program.** AB 181 establishes a pilot program to coordinate curriculum to enable students to earn a
baccalaureate degree from a participating UC campus within three years of graduating from a secondary school for no more than $20,000, excluding the cost of instructional materials and mandatory campus based fees. The University of California may establish a Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program that includes any campus of the University of California, any campus of the California Community Colleges, and any secondary educational institution that volunteers to participate.

- **Status:** Two-year bill.

- **AB 387 (Levine) Public Postsecondary Education: California State University: Online Education.** Prior to recent amendments, AB 387 would have required the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges and the Trustees of the California State University (CSU) to jointly report to the Legislature on the feasibility of developing an accelerated bachelor’s degree completion program consisting of distance learning courses. AB 387 now requires the CSU to create systemwide definitions for online education and report to the Legislature on the performance of online education programs.

- **Status:** AB 387 is scheduled to be heard on April 23 in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.

- **AB 895 (Rendon) Online Education Task Force.** AB 895 establishes the California Postsecondary Online Education Task Force, consisting of 11 members including business representatives, faculty representatives, a Board of Governors representative, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the Lieutenant Governor. The community college faculty member is appointed by the Governor, the CSU faculty member is appointed by the Senate Rules Committee, and the UC faculty member is appointed by the Speaker. The task force will be required to examine online programs in other states and analyze how to implement online programs in California.

- **Status:** AB 895 was recently amended, and is scheduled to be heard on April 23 in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.

- **AB 944 (Nestande) Distance Education.** AB 944 imposes reporting requirements for data on completion rates for distance education courses and programs on the Board of Governors of the California Community College, the Trustees of the California State University, and the Regents of the University of California.

- **Status:** AB 944 is currently not scheduled to be heard.

- **AB 955 (Williams) Community College Intersession Programs.** AB 955 adds a section to the Education Code to authorize community college districts to offer an extension program for credit courses during summer and winter intersessions.

- **Status:** AB 955 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education on April 9 with a vote of 10-2 and was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

- **SB 440 (Padilla) Public Postsecondary Education Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act.** This bill amends the statute created by SB 1440 that established the transfer degree, and requires all community college districts to create an associate degree for transfer in every major offered by that district that has an approved transfer model curriculum.

- **Status:** SB 440 is currently scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on May 1.
• **SB 490 (Jackson) Early Assessment Program: Common Core Academic Content Standards.** SB 490 amends statute regarding the Early Assessment Program to encourage courses to be sequenced to the common core standards.
  o **Status:** SB 490 is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on May 8.

• **SB 520 (Steinberg) California Virtual Campus.** Recent amendments to SB 520 create the California Online Student Access Platform administered by the California Open Education Resources Council. The bill would require the platform to provide an efficient statewide mechanism for online course providers to offer transferable courses for credit and to create a pool of these online courses. The bill requires the council to develop a list of the 50 most impacted lower division courses at the University of California, the California State University, and the California Community Colleges that are deemed necessary for program completion or fulfilling transfer requirements, or deemed satisfactory for meeting general education requirements. It also establishes the California Student Access Pool for students to access online courses. The bill includes other provisions.
  o **Status:** SB 520 is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 24.

• **SB 547 (Block) Online Courses.** SB 547 would require the Academic Senates to jointly develop online courses. The courses would be in areas defined as high demand, transferable lower division courses under the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum. SB 547 also requires the Chancellor's Office to create an internet portal through the California Virtual Campus that facilitates enrollment in these courses.
  o **Status:** SB 547 is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 24.

• **SB 730 (Hancock) School Districts: Middle College High Schools Program.** SB 730 requires that, as a condition of participation in the program, a community college district enter into a formal partnership with a school district or school districts located within the service area of the community college district to provide high school students with specified academic opportunities.
  o **Status:** SB 730 is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 24.

**ADULT EDUCATION**

• **SB 173 (Liu) Education Funding: Noncredit/Adult Ed - Health and Safety Education.** For K-12 District Adult Education Programs, and for Community College District noncredit programs, SB 173 removes the authorization for health and safety education to be offered for apportionment. Recent amendments include authorizing the governing board of a community college district to charge a fee for adult education courses, including classes in English and citizenship, until July 1, 2015, in accordance with specified regulations and procedures.
  o **Status:** SB 173 was scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 17.
• **SB 174 (Liu) Education Funding: Adult Education – Apportionments.** SB 174 revises the list of classes and courses that qualify for adult education funding. This includes:
  - Basic and secondary academic programs, including elementary basic skills and secondary courses required for the high school diploma, and dropout recovery.
  - English as a second language and citizenship preparation, including programs for immigrants eligible for educational services in citizenship, civic participation, and workforce preparation.
  - English literacy, skills of speaking, listening, reading, writing, mathematics, decision making, and problem solving skills, and other classes required for preparation to participate in job specific career and technical training.
  - Career technical education, including programs promoting a skilled workforce with high-growth and high-wage employment potential, leading to industry certifications, or that meet the required prerequisites and foundations for advanced postsecondary programs. These courses, developed within designated career sectors, shall incorporate academic, career preparation, and job readiness skills with possible apprenticeships or internships.
  - Civic engagement programs, including specialized courses focusing on any of the following: issues of aging; assisting disabled adults to become self-reliant, productive, and effective community members; parenting and family literacy; health and financial literacy; and civic participation skills.

If an adult education course is not eligible for funding from the Adult Education Fund, or if such an apportionment does not cover the entire cost of providing the course, a fee may be charged to cover this cost.
  - **Status:** SB 174 is not currently scheduled to be heard.

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**ENERGY (PROPOSITION 39)**

• **AB 29 (Williams) Proposition 39: Implementation.** Recent amendments to AB 29 allocate funds from Proposition 39 for energy efficiency projects at the University of California, California State University and California Community Colleges. AB 29 would appropriate $50 million to the community colleges from Proposition 39.
  - **Status:** AB 29 passed the Assembly Committee on Natural Resources and was sent to the Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee.

• **AB 39 (Skinner) Proposition 39: Implementation.** AB 39 creates an account for K-12 school and community college districts to receive grants and other financial assistance for energy efficiency projects. Community college districts were added by amendments on April 9.
  - **Status:** AB 39 passed the Assembly Committee on Natural Resources and was sent to the Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee.

• **AB 114 (Salas) Proposition 39 Implementation: Workforce Development.** AB 114 uses Proposition 39 funds for job training and workforce development by requiring the Labor and Workforce Development Agency to administer grants, no-interest loans, or other financial assistance for existing workforce programs to create green jobs. The bill also requires the California Conservation Corps, and other existing workforce programs
to give higher priority to disadvantaged youth and veterans in economically distressed areas.
  o **Status:** AB 114 passed the Assembly Committee on Natural Resources and was sent to the Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee.

- **SB 35 (Pavley) Higher Education: Energy Conservation.** SB 35 requires the three segments of public higher education to develop and administer an energy plan for near and long-term strategies for energy efficiency.
  o **Status:** SB 35 passed the Senate Utilities and Communications Committee and was sent to the Senate Education Committee.

- **SB 39 (De León) Energy Efficiency: School Facilities.** SB 39 appropriates funds to award energy efficiency grants to the most disadvantaged schools in need of modernization for energy efficiency upgrades. Recent amendments include California Community Colleges, the University of California, and the California State University systems.
  o **Status:** SB 39 passed the Senate Education Committee on April 17.

- **SB 64 (Corbett) Proposition 39: Implementation.** This bill states the intent of the Legislature to install clean energy at public schools, universities, and colleges, and at other public buildings and facilities consistent with the California Clean Energy Jobs Act. Recent amendments include an appropriation from the funds created by Proposition 39.
  o **Status:** SB 64 is passed the Senate Utilities and Communications Committee on April 16.

- **SB 729 (Fuller) Proposition 39: Implementation.** SB 729 is a spot bill stating the intent to enact legislation to implement Proposition 39.
  o **Status:** SB 729 is not scheduled to be heard.

**FACILITIES, BONDS, LOCAL OPERATIONS**

- **AB 41 (Buchanan) Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2014.** AB 41 states the intent of the Legislature to create the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2014.
  o **Status:** AB 41 is not scheduled to be heard.

- **AB 182 (Buchanan) Bonds: School Districts and Community College Districts.** AB 182 removes the authority for school districts and community colleges to issue capital appreciation bonds, and requires local entities to limit the ratio of total debt service to principal for each bond series. The bill would require each capital appreciation bond maturing more than 10 years after its date of issuance to be subject to mandatory tender for purchase or redemption before its fixed maturity date, as specified, beginning no later than the 10th anniversary of the date the capital appreciation bond was issued. AB 182 requires that, if the sale includes capital appreciation bonds on the agenda for approval by the local board, then the governing board of the school district or community college district must be presented with an analysis containing the overall cost of the capital appreciation bonds, a comparison to the overall cost of current interest bonds, the reason capital appreciation bonds are being recommended, and a copy of a certain disclosure
made by the underwriter. Recent amendments authorize a school district or community college district with a note issued before December 31, 2013, to seek from the State Board of Education or the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, as applicable, a one-time waiver from specified requirements.

- **Status:** Passed out of the Assembly on a vote of 75-0.

- **SB 45 (Corbett) Leroy Greene School Facilities Act.** SB 45 is a spot bill for a statewide bond measure to create the Kindergarten-University Facilities Bond Act of 2014.
  - **Status:** SB 45 is not scheduled to be heard.

- **SB 301 (Liu) Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2014.** SB 301 states the intent of the Legislature to create the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2014.
  - **Status:** SB 301 is not scheduled to be heard.

**FINANCE AND FUNDING**

- **AB 283 (Bloom) Property Tax Backfill.** AB 283 provides a method to ensure that community colleges remain funded at levels stated in the Budget Act should property taxes fall below estimates.
  - **Status:** AB 283 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

- **AB 1199 (Fong) Community Colleges Funding (Stabilization/Accreditation).** AB 1199 requires the Board of Governors to adopt a funding formula to stabilize a community college district’s revenue level for a college that is subject to probation or a “show cause” accreditation sanction.
  - **Status:** AB 1199 is scheduled to be heard in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education on April 23.

- **ACA 2 (Nestande) Education Payments.** ACA 2 would place a measure on the ballot for approval by the voters to amend the Constitution to eliminate the practice of deferring state apportionments.
  - **Status:** ACA 2 is not scheduled to be heard.

- **SB 241 (Evans) Oil Severance Tax Law.** SB 241 creates an oil severance tax to be administered by the Department of Conservation. This bill requires that all tax revenues, penalties, and interest collected pursuant to the tax provisions be placed into the Oil Severance Fund. This fund will be used to support the Regents of the University of California, the Trustees of the California State University, the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, and the Department of Parks and Recreation.
  - **Status:** SB 241 is scheduled to be heard on April 24 in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

- **SB 284 (De León) Income Taxes: Credits: Contributions to Education Funds.** SB 284 creates a new tax credit and a special fund in the State Treasury called the College Access Tax Credit Fund, for the purpose of increasing Cal Grant B access awards. In a
separate measure, SB 285, the author proposes to increase the maximum award in the Cal Grant B Entitlement Program from $1,551 to $5,000 annually.

- **Status:** SB 284 is scheduled to be heard on April 24 in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

- **SB 329 (Gaines) Community Colleges: Nonresident Tuition: Lake Tahoe Community College.** SB 329 exempts from the nonresident tuition fee students who attend Lake Tahoe Community College and who reside in one of several designated communities in Nevada.
  - **Status:** SB 329 was scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 17, but was rescheduled for a later hearing.

- **SB 594 (Steinberg) Career Pathways Investment.** SB 594 authorizes three new financing tools to encourage the expansion of career pathways programs in our K-14 school and community college districts: Career Pathways Investment Tax Credits, Social Impact Bonds and Career Pathways Investment Trust Funds. SB 594 also creates a committee chaired by the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to review applications and award credits on a competitive basis to business/school district partnerships that have the best chance of success and long-term sustainability, according to specified criteria.
  - **Status:** SB 594 is scheduled to be heard on April 24 in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

- **SB 705 (Block) Community Colleges: Appropriation.** SB 705 was recently amended from a bill on the courts to a measure that would appropriate $50,000,000 to the community colleges. Half of the funds would be for the Disabled Students Programs and Services and the other half for Extended Opportunity Programs and Services. The bill states that the funds will be created by savings realized from extending the period for paying down community college deferrals.
  - **Status:** SB 705 is not scheduled to be heard.

- **SCA 3 (Leno) Educational Entities: Parcel Tax.** SCA 3 places a measure on the ballot for approval by the voters to amend the Constitution to reduce the requirement to pass a parcel tax for school and community college districts from two-thirds (67%) to 55%.
  - **Status:** SCA 3 is scheduled to be heard on May 15 in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

- **SCA 11 (Hancock) Local Government: Special Taxes: Voter Approval.** SCA 11 places a measure on the ballot for approval by the voters to amend the Constitution to authorize the imposition, extension, or increase of a special tax by a local government upon the approval of 55% of the voters voting on the proposition.
  - **Status:** SCA 11 is scheduled to be heard on May 15 in the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- **AB 450 (Jones) Community College Trustee Areas (LACCD).** AB 450 requires the Los Angeles Community College District to establish seven trustee areas by July 1, 2014.
- **Status:** AB 450 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education on April 9.

- **AB 675 (Fong) Community Colleges Faculty.** AB 675 was recently amended to address faculty contracts.
  - **Status:** AB 675 is not scheduled to be heard.

- **AB 1348 (J. Pérez) Postsecondary Education: California Higher Education Authority.** AB 1348 repeals the provisions regarding the California Postsecondary Education Commission, and establishes the California Higher Education Authority, under the administration of a 13-member board of directors.
  - **Status:** AB 1348 is scheduled to be heard in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education on April 23.

- **SB 576 (Block) Teacher Credentialing: Commission on Teacher Credentialing.** SB 576 amends statute to require the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges to appoint an ex officio member to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing instead of the California Postsecondary Education Commission.
  - **Status:** SB 576 is scheduled to be heard on April 24 in the Senate Education Committee.

**STUDENTS**

- **AB 447 (Williams) Community College Districts: Governing Boards, Nonvoting Student Member.** AB 447 requires a district to provide a fee waiver to nonvoting student board members while they are on the Board. It also requires that if the student is eligible for the fee waiver, that the student is provided a stipend while on the board in the amount of the fee waiver. AB 447 also authorizes the student to vote in an advisory capacity and the advisory votes must also be recorded.
  - **Status:** AB 447 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent to the Appropriations Committee.

- **AB 595 (Gomez) Community Colleges Priority Enrollment.** AB 595 provides priority enrollment to disabled students and students in the Extended Opportunity Programs and Services program.
  - **Status:** AB 595 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

- **AB 1358 (Fong) Student Body Association: Student Representation Fee.** AB 1358 amends statute authorizing a student representation fee of $1 per semester, increasing it to $2, and requires 1/2 of the student representation fee to be spent to establish and support the operations of an independent statewide community college student organization, recognized by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.
  - **Status:** AB 1358 is scheduled to be heard in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education on April 23.
STUDENT SUCCESS ACT

- AB 388 (Chesbro) Community Colleges: Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012. AB 388 specifies that career advancement, for purposes of the Student Success Act, includes, but is not limited, to professional development, development of job skills, development of language skills, and job services for individuals with developmental disabilities. According to the author’s office, the purpose of the bill is to provide that students who wish to, for example, take language classes for professional development be able to do so. The Chancellor’s Office is working with the author’s office to develop language to clarify that colleges can offer such classes as identified by the author to the extent resources are available.
  - Status: AB 388 is scheduled to be heard in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education on April 23.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- AB 1100 (Levine) Telecommunications. AB 1100 would amend the Public Utilities Code to remove the annual reimbursement limit for California Community Colleges participating in the California Teleconnect Fund (CTF). This fund was established to provide a 50% discount on communication services to K-12 schools and other community based non-profit organizations such as libraries and hospitals. The program is funded through a surcharge on phones, etc. Community colleges were added in 2008, but to address concerns by K-12 districts and community-based organizations that the colleges might “draw down” too much of the funding, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) placed a cap on community college reimbursements through their regulatory authority. There is about $100 million in the CTF “pot” annually. The community college cap is approximately $10 million, but historically community college annual reimbursements have remained a few million dollars below this cap. Community college telecommunications needs are increasing and the cap is an unnecessary limitation. Currently 92 of our 112 campuses seek reimbursements from the CTF.
  - Status: AB 1100 passed as amended, in the Assembly Utilities and Commerce Committee on April 15. The amendments were negotiated with the PUC.

TEXTBOOKS

- SB 265 (Lara) Postsecondary Education: Electronic Textbooks. SB 265 requires publishers of textbooks offered for sale at postsecondary educational institutions to make the textbooks available, in whole or in part, to the extent practicable, in an electronic format, and requires electronic versions of textbooks to include the same content as the printed versions.
  - Status: SB 265 is not scheduled to be heard.

TUITION, FEES, FINANCIAL AID

- AB 67 (Gorell) Public Postsecondary Education: Funding. AB 67 freezes tuition and fee increases at the University of California and the California State University if specified increases are made to items in the individual system’s budget.
• **Status:** AB 67 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

• **AB 138 (Olsen) Public Postsecondary Education: Tuition and Fees.** AB 138 requires the trustees of CSU, and the regents of the UC systems to determine the amounts of undergraduate tuition and fees for California residents in each incoming first-year class in their respective segments. The bill would require that the tuition and fees set for California residents in each incoming first-year class under the bill would not be increased until that class has completed at least 4 academic years.
  o **Status:** AB 138 is not scheduled to be heard.

• **AB 233 (Wieckowski) Wage Garnishment: Exempt Earnings.** AB 233 prohibits wage garnishment orders on student loans not made, insured, or guaranteed by the United States government.
  o **Status:** AB 233 passed the Assembly on a vote of 50-23 and was sent to the Senate.

• **AB 606 (Williams) Financial Aid: Community Colleges.** AB 606 requires the Chancellor's Office to establish a voluntary pilot program to increase student participation in state and federal financial aid programs and in the federal American Opportunity Tax Credit.
  o **Status:** AB 606 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was placed on the Suspense File in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

• **AB 1162 (Frazier) Student Financial Aid: Debit Cards.** AB 1162 requires the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges and the Trustees of the California State University, and requests the Regents of the University of California and the governing bodies of accredited private nonprofit and for-profit postsecondary educational institutions, to adopt policies for negotiating contracts between their postsecondary educational institutions and banks and other financial institutions to disburse a student’s financial aid award and other refunds onto a debit card, prepaid card, or preloaded card.
  o **Status:** AB 1162 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

• **AB 1241 (Weber) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program.** AB 1241 extends the eligibility to students applying for Cal Grants A and B to the fourth academic year after high school graduation or its equivalent.
  o **Status:** AB 1241 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

• **AB 1364 (Ting) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program.** AB 1364 requires that the maximum amount of the Cal Grant B access award, currently at $1,551, to be annually adjusted beginning with the 2014-15 academic year based on the increase in California personal income.
  o **Status:** AB 1364 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent the Appropriations Committee.
• **SB 58 (Cannella) Public Postsecondary Education: Funding.** Due to the passage of Proposition 30, this bill would require that the fees and tuition at the three segments remain at the fee levels charged during the 2011-12 fiscal year, until the 2018-19 fiscal year.
  o **Status:** SB 58 is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 24.

• **SB 141 (Correa) College Education Benefits: Children of Deported Parents.** SB 141 exempts a student from nonresident tuition at the California Community Colleges and the California State University if certain requirements are met:
  - The parent was deported.
  - The student was forced to move and currently lives abroad as a result of the parental deportation.
  - The student is a United States citizen.
  - The student was a California resident immediately prior to moving abroad.
  o **Status:** SB 141 is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 24.

• **SB 150 (Lara) Concurrent Enrollment.** SB 150 exempts concurrently enrolled high school students from nonresident tuition if they attended school in California for one year. Currently, these students would not be eligible for in-state tuition because they have yet to graduate from a California high school. With the exception of graduation from a California high school, these students meet all other requirements contained in AB 540. This bill is sponsored by the Los Angeles Community College District.
  o **Status:** SB 150 is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 24.

• **SB 285 (De León) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program.** The Cal Grant B Entitlement Program provides awards for access costs, defined as living expenses and expenses for transportation, supplies, and books, in an amount not to exceed $1,551. SB 285 would increase the maximum Cal Grant B award to $5,000 without increasing costs to the State by appropriating funds from the College Access Tax Credit Fund. In a separate measure (SB 284) Senator De León proposes a new tax credit to encourage taxpayer contributions to the newly proposed College Access Tax Credit Fund.
  o **Status:** SB 285 was scheduled to be heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 17.

• **SB 595 (Calderon) Postsecondary Education: Financial Aid.** SB 595 requires each campus of the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests the University of California to call for each of their campuses not to enter into a contract with a bank or financial institution requiring a student to open an account as a condition of receiving financial aid disbursement. The bill also requires each campus of the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests the University of California to call for each of their campuses to offer students the option of receiving checks or direct deposits of financial aid disbursements according to similar timeframes for financial aid disbursements offered by banks or financial institutions in partnership with campuses.
VETERANS

- **AB 13 (Chávez) Nonresident Tuition Exemption: Veterans.** This bill eliminates the requirement that a student veteran must be stationed in California to receive the nonresident tuition exemption. It requires the student to be discharged within the prior year to receive the exemption.
  - **Position:** Support
  - **Status:** Passed the Assembly Higher Education Committee and was sent to the Assembly Veterans Committee.

- **AB 213 (Logue) Healing Arts: Licensure and Certification Requirements: Military Experience.** AB 213 requires a healing arts board within the Department of Consumer Affairs and the State Department of Public Health to accept education, training, and practical experience completed by an applicant in military service toward the qualifications and requirements to receive a license or certificate, if that education, training, or experience is equivalent to the standards of the board or department. This bill also requires the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Chancellor of the California State University, and the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to provide technical assistance to the healing arts boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs, the State Department of Public Health, and to schools offering, or seeking to offer, educational course credit for meeting licensing qualifications and requirements.
  - **Status:** AB 213 passed the Assembly Business and Professions Committee, and was sent to the Veterans Committee.

- **AB 303 (Calderon) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Eligibility for Veterans and Military Students.** Commencing with the 2014-15 academic year, AB 303 provides eligibility to veterans and members of the Armed Forces for Cal Grant A and B awards, provided they meet specified criteria.
  - **Status:** AB 303 is not scheduled to be heard.

- **AB 368 (Morrell) Postsecondary Education: Residency (Active Duty Dependents).** AB 368 removes the requirement that a member of the Armed Forces must be stationed in California for a spouse or dependent to pay in state tuition.
  - **Status:** AB 368 is not scheduled to be heard.

- **AB 409 (Quirk-Silva) Student Veterans: Services.** AB 409 was recently amended to require the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges and the Trustees of the California State University, and encourages the University of California to convene a task force and develop a report on student veterans’ transition to postsecondary education.
  - **Status:** AB 409 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

- **AB 660 (Nazarian) Veterans Postsecondary Education.** AB 660 makes minor changes to amend the Military and Veterans Code regarding the Veterans Education Institute.
AB 697 (Gomez) Nursing Education: State Veterans Homes. AB 697 establishes a loan assumption program for employees of state veterans’ homes within the State Nursing Assumption Program of Loans for Education program (SNAPLE).
  o Status: AB 697 is not scheduled to be heard.

AB 733 (Mansoor) Community Colleges: Credit for Military Training. AB 733 appropriates an unspecified amount from the General Fund to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to allocate to community college districts that grant academic credit to honorably discharged veterans and reservists.
  o Status: AB 733 is not scheduled to be heard.

AB 859 (Gomez) Professions and Vocations: Military Medical Personnel. AB 859 contains legislative intent language to enact legislation that would make changes to nursing and paramedic licensure requirements for California’s military medical personnel in order to recognize medical training in the military.
  o Status: AB 859 is not scheduled to be heard.

SB 290 (Knight) Nonresident Tuition Exemption: Veterans. This bill would exempt all students who were members of the Armed Forces discharged within the immediately prior 2 years from paying nonresident tuition, except former members of the Armed Forces who received a dishonorable or bad conduct discharge.
  o Status: SB 290 is scheduled to be heard on April 24.

SB 420 (Walters) Public Postsecondary Education: Resident Classification (Veterans and Dependents). SB 420 provides resident classification for determining tuition and fees for students who are members of the Armed Forces, reserves, veterans and their dependents.
  o Status: SB 420 is scheduled to be heard on April 24.

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