OVERVIEW
The Chancellor’s Office is currently tracking about thirty bills introduced by the Legislature that affect community colleges. We expect our list to grow to about 150 bills when the deadline to introduce legislation has passed. A number of these measures are in “spot” form, and may change significantly by the time the bill is heard in committee. Below is a brief description of several key bills of interest. The Chancellor’s Office is currently reviewing these measures to determine our legislative priorities. For details and copies of any bill, please visit the Legislative Counsel’s website at: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov.

Upcoming Legislative Deadlines:
January 25, 2013 - Last day to submit bill requests to the Office of Legislative Counsel.
February 22, 2013 - Last day for bills to be introduced.

BILLS OF INTEREST

- **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, and would require the student to be discharged within the prior year to receive the exemption.

- **AB 29 (Williams) Proposition 39: Implementation.** AB 29 creates a revolving loan fund for public higher education systems to use for energy efficiency retrofit projects. The author’s staff stated that this is “spot” language.

- **AB 39 (Skinner) Proposition 39: Implementation.** This bill creates an account for K-12 school districts to receive grants and other financial assistance for energy efficiency projects.

- **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.

- **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 three regional areas for students to earn a bachelor’s degree for $10,000 or less, including the cost of textbooks. The pilot program would involve: 1) CSU Chico, Yuba CCD and Butte CCD, and their respective County Offices of Education; 2) CSU Long Beach, Long Beach CCD, and the LA Office of Education; and 3) CSU Stanislaus, San Joaquin Delta Community College District, and the San Joaquin County Office of Education.

- **AB 67 (Gorell) Public Postsecondary Education: Funding.** AB 67 freezes tuition and fees at current levels through the 2018-2019 fiscal year, the duration of the temporary tax increases created by Proposition 30.

- **AB 114 (Salas) Proposition 39 Implementation.** AB 114 uses Proposition 39 funds for job training and workforce development by requiring the Employment Development Department 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.

- **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.
- **SB 8 (Yee) Public Postsecondary Education: Executive Officer Compensation.** This bill limits executive compensation increases at CSU and requests compliance by UC. SB 8 restricts increases in compensation for two years following an increase in systemwide fees. Current language does not include community colleges.

- **SB 24 (Walters) Public Employees’ Retirement: Benefit Plans.** SB 24 eliminates the statutory requirement for approval by the Legislature if an employer offers a defined benefit plan with a lower benefit factor.

- **SB 32 (Price) Public Postsecondary Education: Student Costs.** SB 32 requires the CSU and requests the UC to explore options to offer bachelor's degrees to students for no more than $10,000.

- **SB 35 (Pavley) Higher Education: Energy Conservation.** This bill requires the three segments of public higher education to develop and administer an energy plan for near and long-term strategies for energy efficiency.

- **SB 39 (De Leon) 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.

- **SB 43 (Wolk) Renewable Energy: Shared Generation.** This bill states that it is the intent of the Legislature to create a shared, renewable energy self-generation program.

- **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.

- **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 to 55%.

- **SCA 5 (Hernandez) Public Postsecondary Education: Student Recruitment and Selection.** SCA 5 places a measure on the ballot for approval by the voters to amend the Constitution to allow for student recruitment and selection programs in higher education for underrepresented groups.

- **SCA 9 (Corbett) Local Government Economic Development Special Taxes.** SCA 9 places a measure on the ballot for approval by the voters to amend the Constitution to lower the voter approval threshold for community and economic development projects by a local government from two-thirds to 55%.

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