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OVERVIEW

The Legislature began its Spring Recess on April 6 and will reconvene on April 17. The next key deadline is April 28, when policy committees must finish their hearings on bills with a fiscal impact. The two main policy committees our office monitors, the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and the Senate Education Committee, have already taken action on a number of measures, but the majority of bills will be heard near the deadline of April 28. The Assembly Committee on Higher Education has two bill hearings left on their schedule, April 18 and April 25. The Senate Education Committee is expected to hold hearings on April 19 and April 26. Both houses will also focus on the costs of legislation for their fiscal committees, also referred to as the Appropriations Committees.

The summaries that follow are for our top priority, or “Tier 1” bills, and reflect the information that was available when this update was drafted. For details and copies of any bill, please contact the Governmental Relations Division of the Chancellor’s Office or visit the Legislative Counsel’s website at <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/>.

BILLS OF INTEREST

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- **AB 705 (Irwin) Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012: matriculation: assessment.** AB 705 requires the use of high school transcript data and guided self-placement information for the assessment and placement of students in English and mathematics courses in order to maximize student success in those courses within a one-year timeframe. The bill prohibits a student from being required to enroll in remedial coursework that lengthens their time to complete a degree unless research shows they are highly unlikely to succeed in college-level coursework.
 - Status: AB 705 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education
- **AB 1467 (O'Donnell). Community colleges: College and Career Access Pathways Partnerships.** AB 288 (Holden) was chaptered in 2015 and established the College and Career Access Pathways Partnership with the goal of developing seamless pathways from high school to community college for career technical education or preparation for transfer, improving high school graduation rates, or helping high school pupils achieve college and career readiness. AB 1467 authorizes courses offered through a CCAP partnership to be offered on Saturdays.
 - Status. AB 1467 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **SB 577 (Dodd) Community College Districts: Teacher Credentialing Programs of Professional Preparation.** AB 577 authorizes the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, in consultation with state universities and local education boards and

school districts, to authorize a community college district to offer a teacher-credentialing program, subject to approval by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

- Position: Concern
 - Status: SB 577 was passed by the Senate Education Committee and was assigned to the Senate Appropriations Committee.
- **SB 769 (Hill) Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program.** SB 769 increases the statutory limit on the total number of community college baccalaureate degree programs from 15 to 30, and removes the 2022-23 sunset date. It authorizes the development of a degree program that is also offered by California State University or University of California, if there is no UC or CSU program within 100 miles that offers the same curricula or program of study.
 - Position: Concern
 - Status: SB 769 was assigned to the Senate Education Committee.

CAMPUS CLIMATE/CAMPUS SAFETY

- **AB 21 (Kalra) Public Postsecondary Education: Student Access.** AB 21 prohibits the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and requests the University of California, to the extent legally possible, from cooperating with immigration enforcement agencies or officials. The bill would prohibit colleges from releasing immigration information about students, faculty, and staff. It specifies that officials of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency provide 10 days advance notice prior to entering a campus. The faculty and staff are required to notify the campus administration and students, who may be subject to deportation if federal authorities enter the campus, and verify the legality of any warrant or subpoena prior to complying or cooperating with enforcement of an immigration order or inquiry. The bill also requires the colleges to assign staff to serve as a point of contact for those who may be subject to immigration actions; and maintain a list of known attorneys or legal services providers who provide pro bono legal immigration representation.
 - Status: AB 21 passed the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was assigned to the Assembly Judiciary Committee.
- **SB 169 (Jackson) Education: Sex Equity.** SB 169 requires the governing board of each community college district, the Trustees of the California State University, the Regents of the University of California, and the governing boards of each independent institution of higher education and each private postsecondary educational institution to implement policies and procedures on sexual harassment. Institutions are required to do the following:
 - Disseminate a notice of nondiscrimination to each employee
 - Designate at least one school employee to act as a sex equity coordinator
 - Adopt and publish grievance procedures providing for prompt and equitable resolution of student sexual harassment complaintsSB 169 also requires each board to implement policies and procedures that conform with the provisions of the “Dear Colleague” letter issued by the United States Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights on April 4, 2011 relating to sexual harassment and sexual violence.
 - Status: SB 169 was assigned to the Senate Education Committee.

CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION/APPRENTICESHIP/WORKFORCE

- **AB 387 (Thurmond) Minimum Wage: Health Professionals: Interns.** AB 387 expands the definition of employer for purposes of minimum wage provisions to include a person who exercises control over wages, hours, or working conditions of a person engaged in a period of

supervised work experience to satisfy requirements for licensure, registration, or certification as an allied health professional. This affects community college students in health care programs.

- Status: AB 387 passed in the Assembly Committee on Labor and Employment and was assigned to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.
- **AB 669 (Berman) California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program.** AB 669 extends the sunset date on the California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program to July 1, 2023.
 - Status: AB 669 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **AB 1053 (Calderon) Career Technical Education: Licensee Information.** Current law, established by legislation sponsored by the Board of Governors in 2016, requires the Department of Consumer Affairs to furnish the Chancellor's Office specified information from licensees. This information would enable the Chancellor's Office to measure employment outcomes of students who participate in career technical education programs offered by the California Community Colleges and recommend how these programs may be improved. Oversight of licensure and regulation of various professions and vocations by boards falls within the Department of Consumer Affairs. AB 1053 limits the Department to providing only the last four digits of the licensee's federal employer identification number, individual taxpayer identification number, or social security number. AB 1053 also requires the Chancellor's Office to reimburse the department for its costs to comply with these provisions.
 - Status: After discussing security protocols with the sponsor, and the author, they now plan to withhold the bill from further consideration.
- **AB 1577 (Gipson) Career Technical Education: Access Plan.** AB 1577 requires the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the California Workforce Development Board and the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, to develop a plan to ensure the provision of, and access to, career technical education programs at every K-12 school in California and to convene, on or before January 1, 2019, to develop the plan. The bill would, on or before January 1, 2020, require the department to report the plan to the Legislature. The bill would repeal its provisions on January 1, 2024.
 - Status: AB 1577 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Education.
- **AB 1731 (Committee on Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy).** AB 1731 amends the Workforce and Economic Development statute and addresses an audit finding by authorizing 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.
 - Status: AB 1731 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Jobs, Economic Development and the Economy.
- **SB 317 (Roth) California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program.** SB 317 extends the sunset date on the California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program to January 1, 2023.
 - Status: SB 317 was assigned to the Senate Education Committee.

FACILITIES

- **SB 7 (Moorlach) School District and Community College District Bonds.** When submitting a bond before the voters, SB 7 requires the governing board of a school or community college district to provide a facilities master plan with cost estimates and to specify each planned project identified at a school or college campus.
 - Status: SB 7 was assigned to the Senate Education Committee.

FINANCE AND FUNDING

- **AB 1364 (McCarty) Public Postsecondary Education: Higher Education Funding.** AB 1364 states findings and declarations of the Legislature relating to issues on funding to meet the educational needs of historically underrepresented groups of students. The goal of AB 1364 is to establish a funding model for higher education that is similar to the local control funding formula (LCFF) for K-12. Under the LCFF, school districts with higher populations of unduplicated pupils, as defined to include English language learners, pupils eligible for free or reduced-price meals, and foster youth, generally receive more state funding. AB 1364 enacts the Higher Education Funding Formula, under which, commencing with the 2018–19 fiscal year, additional state funding would be provided to the segments of public postsecondary education through the annual Budget Act.
 - Status: AB 1364 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.

GOVERNANCE

- **AB 1299 (Gipson) Compton Community College District.** AB 1299 establishes requirements for the transition of the Compton Center to the Compton Community College District from the El Camino Community College District. In its current form, AB 1299 states findings of the Legislature and states broad conditions for ensuring students maintain their educational progress and have a smooth transition for enrollment in classes at Compton College.
 - Status: AB 1299 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **AB 1435 (Gonzalez-Fletcher) The Athlete Protection Act.** AB 1435 creates the Athlete Protection Commission to oversee intercollegiate athletics including community college athletic programs. The commission will collect fees from athletic programs for Athlete Protection Act Fund. These funds will be used to investigate athlete complaints, develop best practices around athlete safety and establish guidelines for athletic departments to follow.
 - Status: AB 1435 is in the Assembly Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism, and Internet Media Committee.

STUDENT SERVICES

- **AB 214 (Weber) Student Food Security.** AB 214 seeks to assist students facing food insecurity by making the CalFresh application process easier. The Student Aid Commission would be required to notify CalGrant recipients of their eligibility for CalFresh benefits. The Department of Social Services (CDSS) would be required to maintain a list of programs that qualify for the employment training exemption in federal regulation. This exemption allows full time students to receive CalFresh benefits if they are in one of these programs. The list of programs was developed under prior legislation by way of consultation with the Chancellor's Office. The list includes EOPS, DSPS, CARE, CAYFES and other programs.
 - Position: Support

- Status: AB 214 was passed by the Assembly Higher Education Committee and the Assembly Human Services Committee. It awaits a hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.
- **AB 227 (Mayes) CalWORKs: Education Incentives.** AB 227 provides a supplemental education incentive grant when a CalWORKs recipient reaches an educational milestone, as outlined below:
 - High school diploma or equivalent: \$100/month
 - Associate’s degree or career/technical education program: \$200/month
 - Bachelor’s degree: \$300/month

The bill appropriates \$20 million to partially restore funding to the California Community Colleges CalWORKs program, which provides work-study slots, education and career counseling, and other services to CalWORKs recipients.

 - Status: AB 227 is in the Assembly Human Services Committee.
 - Position: Support
- **AB 453 (Limon) Postsecondary Education: Student Hunger** AB 453 requires the Board of Governors to designate a campus that has a food pantry and a staff member to assist students with enrolling in CalFresh as a “hungry free campus.” Campuses with this designation would receive a funding incentive.
 - Status: AB 453 was assigned to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.
- **AB 504 (Medina) Student Success and Support Program Funding.** AB 504 requires the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to establish a standard definition of “equity” and a standard definition of "significant underrepresentation", and measures of these terms for use in the student equity plans of community college districts.
 - Status: AB 504 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **AB 917 (Arambula) Student Suicide Prevention Policies.** AB 917 requires the Board of Governors to adopt a policy on student suicide prevention. This policy must specifically address the needs of high risk population such as:
 - Student bereaved by suicide
 - Students with disabilities including mental illness and substance abuse
 - Homeless students
 - LGBT students
 - Students with an Adverse Childhood Experience score of 4 or higher
 - Bullied students

The policy also must include training materials for employees on suicide awareness and prevention.

 - Status: AB 917 is in the Assembly Higher Education Committee.
- **AB 1018 (Reyes) Community Colleges: Student Equity Plans: Homeless Students.** AB 1018 adds homeless students to the categories of students required to be addressed in the student equity plans.
 - Status: AB 1018 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **AB 1468 (Chiu) Community Colleges: Student Equity Plans.** AB 1468 authorizes the use of funding from the Student Equity Program, up to \$25,000 of apportionment funds per campus, or both, for the provision of emergency student financial assistance, as defined, to

eligible students, as defined, to overcome unforeseen financial challenges, as specified, that would directly impact a student's ability to persist in his or her course of study, if emergency student financial assistance is included in an institution's plan for interventions to students.

- Status: AB 1468 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **AB 1622 (Low) Student Support Services: Dream Resource Liaisons:** AB 1622 requires the community colleges to designate a Dream Resource Liaison on each of their respective campuses. AB 1622 would authorize the Board of Governors to seek and accept on behalf of the state any gift, bequest, devise, or donation that will aid in the creation and operation of Dream Resource Centers.
 - Status: AB 1622 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **SB 12 (Beall) Foster Youth in Higher Education.** SB 12 is intended to improve post-secondary achievement among foster youth. The bill requires every county child welfare agency to assist foster youth in the financial aid application process. SB 12 requires the Student Aid Commission to work with the State Department of Social Services to develop an automated system to verify a student's foster youth status for applying for federal Pell Grants; and expands Cooperating Agencies Foster Youth Educational Support (CAFYES) program from the current level of 10 community college districts to 20 districts.
 - Status: SB 12 was passed by the Senate Education Committee and awaits a hearing in the Senate Human Services Committee.
- **SB 164 (McGuire) Tribal TANF.** SB 164 extends priority enrollment at a community college to recipients of Tribal TANF. CalWorks recipients already have priority enrollment and Tribal TANF is essentially the same program with authority provided to federally recognized Tribes to administer their program. The affected population is estimated at 11,000 statewide.
 - Position: Support
 - Status: SB 164 passed the Senate Education Committee and Senate Appropriations Committee. It awaits a vote of the full Senate.
- **SB 319 (Nguyen) California Community Colleges: Remedial Coursework.** SB 319 requires the California Community Colleges to provide entrance counseling and assessment or other suitable means to fully inform an incoming student, prior to that student completing registration, of any remedial coursework the student will be required to register for or complete and the reasons for the requirement.
 - Status: SB 319 was assigned to the Senate Education Committee.
- **SB 320 (Leyva) Public Postsecondary Education: Student Health Insurance Plans: On-Campus Student Health Centers: Abortion By Medication Techniques.** SB 320 requires campuses of the California State University and the California Community Colleges that operate on-campus health centers to offer abortion by medication techniques and scientifically accurate abortion counseling services to their students.
 - Status: SB 320 is in the Senate Health Committee.
- **SB 478 (Portantino) Transfer of Community College Students to the California State University or University of California.** SB 478 requires the governing board of each community college district to identify students who have completed an associate degree for transfer in an electronic database to facilitate information sharing with the California State

University and the University of California. The bill requires adding these students to the identification list within 45 days of their completion of the degree unless the student affirmatively opts out of being included.

- Status: SB 478 passed the Senate Education Committee and is assigned to the Senate Appropriations Committee.
- **SB 539 (De Leon) Community College Student Achievement Program.** SB 539 establishes the Community College Completion Incentive Grant Program. The program would create guided pathways that are comprehensive sets of community college programs and services focused on improving student success. Participating students would be required to meet specified requirements in order to receive a supplemental grant award of four thousand dollars (\$4,000). The bill prohibits these grants from supplanting any other grant, fee waiver, or scholarship aid.
 - Status: SB 539 was assigned to the Senate Education Committee.

TUITION, FEES, FINANCIAL AID

- **AB 19 (Santiago) Community Colleges: Enrollment Fee Waiver.** AB 19 lowers the amount of unmet financial need a student needs to demonstrate to qualify for a Board of Governor's fee waiver to \$1.
 - Status: AB 19 passed in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.
- **AB 204 (Medina) Community Colleges: Enrollment Fee Waiver.** AB 204 requires the Chancellor's Office to review each community college district's due process procedures adopted to appeal the loss of a fee waiver, including any subsequent modifications of the procedures, and comment on the procedures as appropriate. The bill requires the Community College Districts (CCD), to determine, at least once every three years, whether the loss of fee waivers due to failure to meet the minimum academic and progress standards, has had a disproportionate impact on any class of students, and if so, to include steps to address the impact in the districts' student equity plans (SEPs). The bill also requires an appeal procedure due to hardship based on geographic distance from an alternative community college at which the student would be eligible for a fee waiver.
 - Status: AB 204 passed in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was assigned to the Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense file.
- **AB 343 (McCarty) Public Postsecondary Education: Holders of Certain Special Immigrant Visas.** AB 343 exempts students who have special immigrant visas or live in the United States under a refugee status from paying nonresident tuition fees.
 - Status: SB 343 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education
- **AB 370 (Rodriguez) Student Financial Aid: Competitive Cal Grant A and B awards.** AB 370 requires the California Student Aid Commission to calculate a target for the total number of Competitive Cal Grants A and B awards in an academic year. The intent of the bill is to ensure that financially needy students receive all available Competitive Awards in an academic year.
 - Position: Support
 - Status: AB 370 passed in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

- **AB 490 (Quirk-Silva) Taxation: credits: College Access Tax Credit.** AB 490 eliminates the sunset date for the College Access Tax Credit (CATC) and sets aside funds for outreach efforts informing taxpayers about the CATC. The bill also requires, upon appropriation, revenue from the CATC Fund to be allocated to the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) for outreach purposes to inform taxpayers about the CATC.
 - Status: AB 490 passed in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.
- **AB 559 (Santiago) Community Colleges: Enrollment Fee Waiver.** AB 559 requires the California Community Colleges Board of Governors, by January 1, 2019, to ensure that a fee waiver application is available online for students at each community college.
 - Status: AB 559 was assigned to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.
- **AB 637 (Medina) Community Colleges: Student Equity Plans.** AB 637 requires campus-based research at community colleges regarding student equity plans to use standard definitions and measures of “equity” and “underrepresented” as established by the Chancellor.
 - Status: AB 637 was assigned to the Assembly Higher Education Committee.
- **AB 647 (Kalra) Personal Income Tax: Credit Community College Student.** AB 647 allows a credit under the Personal Income Tax Law in an amount equal to the fees and other expenses paid during the taxable year for the enrollment of a full-time community college student. The bill requires a taxpayer claiming the credit to submit with his or her return a copy of the student's transcript evidencing completion of an academic year of full-time enrollment in a California community college.
 - Status: AB 647 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation.
- **AB 1037 (Limón) Public Postsecondary Education: Student Financial Aid:** AB 1037 establishes a state work-study program available to California’s AB 540 students who are ineligible for Federal Work Study (FWS) programs.
 - Status: AB 1037 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **AB 1058 (Gipson) Community College Fee Waiver: Ward of the State.** AB 1058 waives the fee for a California resident who meets those standards and, at the time of enrollment, is a ward or former ward of the juvenile court, is or was placed in, or committed to, out-of-home care in connection with that status as a ward or former ward after reaching 16 years of age, and is no older than 25 years of age.
 - **Status:** AB 1058 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **AB 1118 (Gipson) Postsecondary Education: Community Colleges: Enrollment:** AB 1118 requires a waiver of the enrollment fee for resident students, who are in their first academic year of enrollment at a community college.
 - Status: Assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **AB 1268 (Reyes) Public Postsecondary Education:** AB 1268 requires community colleges to provide each student with at least a certain number of hours of instruction in financial literacy.
 - Status: AB 1268 is assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.

- **AB 1382 (Grayson) Community Colleges: STEM Course Fees:** AB 1382 requires the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges to waive the enrollment fee for enrollment in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics courses for a student who graduated from a state high school. The fee would be waived only for the student's enrollment in a STEM course with a certain number of years from the date of their high school graduation.

 - Status: AB 1382 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.

- **AB 1563 (Medina) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant C Awards:** AB 1563 would set a maximum Competitive Cal Grant C award amount at \$2,462, and \$547 for access costs. The bill also creates a Cal Grant C entitlement program with an award up to \$2,462 for community college students pursuing occupational and technical training to cover access costs, training-related costs, and tuition and fees. Finally, the bill would establish a Cal Grant C Entitlement award for access costs for community college students who enroll in a for-credit certificate or credential instructional program that is less than one academic year in length and that is an occupational or technical training program identified by the Student Aid Commission as high demand and high pay.

 - Position: Support
 - Status: AB 1563 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.

- **SB 15 (Leyva) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant C awards.** SB 15 restricts the Cal Grant C award for occupational or technical training in a course of not less than four months that meets the federal gainful employment standards, and establishes an application deadline of September 2. The bill establishes an additional access award up to \$2,453 for community college students. This bill also would require the Office of the Chancellor to provide the Student Aid Commission with an annual list of eligible occupational and technical training programs fitting the high pay and high demand criteria. The Student Aid Commission would be required to publish and maintain the list of programs on its Internet Web site.

 - Position: Support
 - Status: SB 15 was assigned to the Senate Education Committee.

- **SB 68 (Lara) Public Postsecondary Education: Exemption from Nonresident Tuition.** SB 68 expands and modifies AB 540 eligibility requirements regarding the exemption from paying nonresident tuition at public postsecondary institutions. SB 68 would allow attendance at an adult school or a maximum of two years at a community college to count toward achieving AB 540 status. Existing law requires full-time attendance for three or more years at an elementary or secondary school or some combination thereof. This bill would also allow a student to complete an Associate Degree or satisfy minimum requirements for transfer in lieu of a high school diploma or GED in order to qualify for AB 540 status.

 - Position: Support
 - Status: Passed the Senate Education Committee and assigned to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

- **SB 573 (Lara) Student Financial Aid: Service Learning Programs.** SB 573 requires the Board of Governors to develop and ensure that each of their respective campuses implement a service learning program for students with financial need who are exempt from paying nonresident tuition fee. The bill requires that the student's personal information is not a public record for purposes of the California Public Records Act and shall only be collected to administer the program, and prohibits disclosure of that personal information to any other person or organization, except as provided in law.

- Status: SB 573 was assigned to the Senate Education Committee and Judiciary Committee
- **SB 791 (Glazer) Student Loan Disclosure: Cohort Default.** SB 791 requires community colleges, and other postsecondary institutions, with current or former students receiving certain federal loans to collect information available from the United States Department of Education. The colleges are also required to publish and make available annually the forbearance, deferment, delinquency, and official cohort default rate percentages for each campus on the page of its Internet Web site regarding student financial aid.
 - Status: SB 791 was assigned to the Senate Committees on Education and Businesses, Professions, and Economic Development.

VETERANS, MILITARY AND DEPENDENTS

- **AB 172 (Chávez) Residency: Dependents of Armed Forces Members.** AB 172 amends current statute that provides in-state tuition for dependents of military members so that they will maintain resident tuition after admission to a postsecondary institution.
 - Position: Support
 - Status: AB 172 passed in the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and the Assembly Veterans Committee and was sent to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.
- **AB 809 (Quirk-Silva) Public postsecondary Education: Veterans' Priority Registration for Enrollment.** AB 809 requires that the priority registration for enrollment for members and former members of the Armed Forces of the United States and for members and former members of the State Military Reserve that is applied notwithstanding any other law. Current law essentially provides an exemption for priority enrollment for nursing programs when using diagnostic tools and multicriteria screening measures specified in statute.
 - **Status:** AB 809 was assigned to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education.
- **SB 25 (Portantino and Newman) Nonresident Tuition Exemption: Veterans.** SB 25 ensures that the California State University and the community colleges will remain in compliance with federal law, the Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act (VACA) of 2014. This law required all states to charge in-state tuition for all eligible veterans and dependents. It was revised in 2016, to expand eligibility for in-state tuition and the US Veterans Administration (VA) has advised California representatives that the changes in federal law require changes in state law in order to remain in compliance. Federal law states that the US VA is required to disapprove educational programs for GI Bill funding if the state's institutions are not in compliance. The changes that SB 25 makes to state law are critical to ensuring that California continues to receive GI Bill education funding.
 - Position: Support
 - Status: SB 694 was assigned to the Senate Education Committee.
- **SB 694 (Newman) California Community Colleges: Veteran Resource Centers.** SB 694 requires the Chancellor's Office to ensure that each of its campuses provides a dedicated on-campus Veteran Resource Center that offers services to help student veterans transition successfully from military life to educational success. The bill establishes minimum requirements for each center.
 - Status: SB 694 was assigned to the Senate Education Committee.

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