

**ASCCC Legislative Report**  
**Summary of Passed and Signed Bills, 2016**  
*Legislation with implications for academic and professional matters*

**Assembly Bills**

**ACR 158 (Holden) Postsecondary Education: Transfers**

Expresses the concern of the legislature and requests that the academic senates of the UC, CSU, and CCC systems work together to ensure that general education courses transfer between systems and within systems. The Legislature *recognizes the necessity for a more cohesive, robust, and fair articulation process across the University of California, the California State University, and the California Community Colleges educational systems so students are not unduly burdened while trying to transfer and are able to graduate in a timely manner.* The dialog surrounding this resolution is focused on issues within the CSU system.

**Status:** Chaptered by Secretary of State.

**ASCCC Position/Resolutions:** The ASCCC has expressed support for better articulation between systems as evidenced in resolutions 9.07 (SP11), 15.01 (SP11), 9.12 (FA10) and 4.03 (SP10) among others. The ASCCC has also advocated for increased and sustained funding for C-ID as an appropriate mechanism to facilitate transfer as evidenced in resolutions 9.07 (FA14), 9.13 (FA14), 9.03 (FA12), and 15.01 (FA10).

**AB 1741 (Rodriguez) California College Promise Innovation Grant Program**

Establishes the California College Promise Innovation Grant Program, under the administration of the chancellor, which would require the chancellor to distribute multiyear grants, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the governing boards of community college districts, who meet certain requirements, to support the establishment of regional programs with the goals of increasing college preparation, college access, and college success. Appropriates \$25,000,000 from the General Fund to the chancellor for allocation to community college districts in order to establish the regional programs. **Grant program requirements include the exclusion of CSU campuses with campus-wide impact from the agreement of guaranteed admission.**

**Status:** Approved by the Governor (9/21/16)

**AB 1914 (Bonilla) Academic materials: Textbooks: Access Codes**

Prohibits that students be required to purchase an **academic materials, including, but not necessarily limited to, textbooks, and access codes** for purposes of accessing resources that are otherwise available to these students or for performing functions that can be otherwise accomplished at no cost to these students on their campuses. **Requires that the total cost of academic materials from the immediately preceding academic year be provided to faculty as specified.** Also included a requirement for a summary of the descriptors the campus bookstore may post next to the academic materials offered for sale and that the campus bookstore shall not post **required material** next to academic materials it offers for sale unless it has received

consent from the faculty member who assigned the material or from a staff member of the appropriate department. Includes that faculty be encouraged to consider free or inexpensive options in selecting academic materials to assign to their students.

**Status:** Approved by the Governor (9/9/16)

**AB 1985 (Williams) Advance placement**

Requires the California Community Colleges to develop, and each community college district to adopt, a uniform policy to award a student who passes an Advanced Placement exam with a score of 3 or higher credit for a course within this curriculum with subject matter similar to that of the Advanced Placement exam. Amendments include requiring the CO to collaborate with ASCCC in developing the AP policy and specifies CSU GE, IGETC or local GE when awarding course credit. Must begin development by January 1, 2017.

**Status:** Approved by the Governor (9/23/16)

**ASCCC Action:** Resolution 18.03 to oppose was adopted in spring 2016. A position letter was submitted on 04/26/16.

**AB 2137 (Santiago) UC Student Transfers**

Requests the regents to submit annual reports on the implementation of the recommendations of the Transfer Action Team convened by the President of the University of California and annual reports on specified topics relating to community college student transfers to the University of California including the number of students with an associate degree for transfer who were granted admission and those that were denied admission to the University of California, along with the average GPA, the number of students who used the transfer pathway framework who were granted admission and those that were denied admission to the UC, along with the average GPA and the years to graduation in both admission cases.

**Status:** Approved by the Governor (8/29/16)

*Senate Bills*

**SB 66 (Leyva) CTE Pathways Program 2 year**

Requires the Department of Consumer Affairs to make available, only to the extent specified, to the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, any licensure information that the department has in electronic format for its boards, bureaus, commissions, or programs for the sole purpose of enabling the office of the chancellor 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. Also, urge the chancellor to align these measures with the performance accountability measures of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. Amended to take out gender identification information as of 8/12/16.

**Status:** Approved by the Governor. (9/28/16)

**SB 906 (Beall) Priority Enrollment (CO Sponsor)**

Removes the sunset date for priority enrollment for foster youth, EOPS, and DSPS students.

**Status:** Approved by the Governor. (9/21/16)

**SB 1359 (Block) Education materials: Textbooks**

Requires each campus of the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and would request each campus of the University of California, to disclose in the campus course schedule the most accurate retail price information and estimated total costs of required and recommended textbooks and supplemental materials.

*This bill would require each campus of the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and would request each campus of the University of California, to identify in the online version of the campus course schedule its courses that **exclusively** use digital course materials, as specified, and communicate to students that **the** course materials for these courses are free of charge and therefore not required to be purchased. By imposing new duties on community college districts, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. **The bill would become operative on January 1, 2018.***

**Status:** Approved by the Governor. (9/13/16)

**Bills of Interest**

**AB 801 (Bloom) Postsecondary Education: Success for Homeless Youth in Higher Education Act**

Establishes priority registration for homeless youth and former homeless youth, designates a Homeless and Foster Student Liaison within the institution's financial aid office and to inform current and prospective students of the institution about student financial aid and other assistance available to homeless youth and current and former foster youth and provides other program and financial assistance to homeless youth. **Homeless youth is defined as anyone under 25 years of age who has been verified as homeless 24 months immediately preceding application to college per the federal definition. That status, once established, is retained for 6 years.**

**Status:** Approved by the Governor. (9/21/16)

**AB 1449 (Lopez) CCC transfer Cal Grant Entitlement Program**

Under the California Community College Transfer Cal Grant Entitlement Program, a student who transfers from a California community college to a qualifying institution that offers a baccalaureate degree receives a Cal Grant A or B award if the student meets specified requirements, among which is that the student graduate from a California high school or its equivalent during or after the 2000-01 academic year. This bill would instead require that the student receiving a California Community College Transfer Cal Grant Entitlement award either

graduate from a California high school or its equivalent during or after the 2000601 academic year or, *if he or she did not graduate from high school or its equivalent*, be a California resident, as defined, on his or her 18th birthday.

This bill would *exempt a student from the requirement that the student graduate from a California high school or its equivalent* if he or she did not graduate from high school or its equivalent *and was* a California resident, as *determined pursuant to specified provisions of law*, on his or her 18th birthday. *Includes reference to matriculation to upper division either at a CSU or at a CCC with a baccalaureate program.*

**Status:** *Approved the Governor. (9/21/16)*

**AB 1690 (Medina) Part time temporary employees** (Previous bill AB 1010)

Specifies minimum standards for part time faculty to be included in collective bargaining agreements such as evaluation procedures, workload distribution, and seniority rights. *Amended of 03/14/16 Amendments include removal of specific evaluation requirements and substitute reference to evaluation requirements as outlined in 87663.*

**Status:** *Approved by the Governor (9/30/16)*

**ASCCC Position/Resolutions:** The ASCCC has many resolutions to address the academic and professional issues specific to the situations of part time faculty as well as the paper "Part Time Faculty: A Principled Perspective" which includes recommendations on hiring and evaluation processes and procedures and their implementation.

**AB 1747 (Weber) Food assistance**

Requires, as a condition of participation in the Cal Grant Program, each public and private postsecondary educational institution to ensure that surcharge-free transactions are accessible on each campus through the EBT system. Requires *educational* institutions that are located in a county that participates in the Restaurant Meals Program to apply to become an approved food vendor for the program, if the institution operates any qualifying food facilities on campus, or to provide contracting food vendors with specified information about the program. Includes public postsecondary educational institutions among the entities that may receive matching funds for conducting CalFresh outreach activities, as specified. Establishes the Public Higher Education Pantry Assistance Account in the Emergency Food Assistance Program Fund, and would require that moneys in the account, upon appropriation by the Legislature, be allocated to the department for allocation to food banks that support on-campus pantry and hunger relief efforts serving low-income students.

**Status:** *Approved by the Governor (9/12/16)*

**AB 1995 (Williams) Homeless Students Shower Facilities (SSCCC)**

Require a community college campus that has shower facilities for student use to grant access to those facilities to any homeless student who is enrolled in coursework, has paid enrollment fees,

and is in good standing with the community college district and require the community college to maintain records relating to, among other things, student participation in the program, and to **create a plan of action to implement this requirement that includes, among other things, conducting** outreach to homeless students at each community college campus relating to available services. **Bill requires a minimum of 2 hours access to showers per weekday that does not interfere with intercollegiate athletic programs.**

**Status:** Approved by the Governor. (9/21/16)

**AB 2455 (Chiu) California New Motor Voter Program**

Requires the California State University and the California Community Colleges to implement a process and the infrastructure to allow a person who enrolls online at the institution, to submit an affidavit of voter registration electronically on the Internet Web site of the Secretary of State by July 1, 2018.

**Status:** Approved by the Governor. (9/21/16)

\*Indicates bills to be highlighted during the Executive Committee meeting legislation discussion.  
^Indicates bill will be removed from next iteration of report since the bill is not germane to the work of the ASCCC or has been replaced by a new bill.

ACR = Assembly Concurrent Resolution  
AB = Assembly Bill

ACA = Assembly Constitutional Amendment  
SB = Senate Bill