The California State University

AGENDA

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Meeting: **10:10 a.m., Wednesday, March 11, 2026**
Glenn S. Dumke Conference Center

Yammilette Rodriguez, Chair
Raji Kaur Brar, Vice Chair
Diego Arambula
Wenda Fong
Mark Ghilarducci
Jazmin Guajardo
Sam Nejabat

Consent

1. Approval of Minutes, *Action*
2. Tribal Relations Update and Status of NAGPRA and CalNAGPRA Compliance, *Information*

Discussion

3. State Legislative Update, *Information*

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Trustees of The California State University
Office of the Chancellor
Glenn S. Dumke Conference Center
401 Golden Shore
Long Beach, California

January 27, 2026

Members Present

Yammilette Rodriguez, Chair
Raji Kaur Brar, Vice Chair
Diego Arambula
Wenda Fong
Mark Ghilarducci
Jazmin Guajardo

Mildred García, Chancellor
Jack B. Clarke, Jr., Chair of the Board

Trustee Rodriguez called the meeting of the Committee on Governmental Relations to order. She expressed appreciation for the Governor's budget commitment to the CSU and for the Chancellor's acknowledgment of the Governor's support. She thanked trustees, campus leaders, faculty, students and other stakeholders for sustained advocacy over multiple years of budget challenges, noting that continued storytelling and collective advocacy were critical in demonstrating the CSU's importance to California and its students.

Consent Agenda

The minutes of the November 18, 2025, meeting of the Committee on Governmental Relations were approved as submitted.

Item 2 – Tribal Relations Update and Status of NAGPRA and CalNAGPRA Compliance

Vice Chancellor Greg Saks, Tribal Relations Executive Director Samantha Cypret, and Cal State San Bernardino President Tomás Morales presented an update on the CSU's systemwide efforts to strengthen engagement with Tribal Nations and advance compliance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) and California NAGPRA.

Vice Chancellor Saks emphasized that this work extends beyond legal compliance and reflects CSU values and institutional responsibility. He noted that Native voices are leading this work in partnership with Tribal Nations and that the Office of Tribal Relations marked its one-year anniversary. He also referenced submission of the second annual systemwide NAGPRA collections review to the Legislature.

Executive Director Cypret reported that seven of eight State Auditor recommendations have been fully implemented. She described systemwide campus surveys and physical searches to identify all collections subject to NAGPRA and CalNAGPRA, noting that increases in reported collections reflect improved accuracy necessary for lawful repatriation. She reported that campuses now submit bimonthly compliance reports and annual repatriation implementation plans.

Executive Director Cypret further reported that in 2025, 16 CSU campuses filed 66 federal repatriation notices representing the repatriation of 156 ancestors and more than 170,000 cultural items. She described finalization of the systemwide NAGPRA policy in November 2025 following extensive tribal consultation, including more than 30 outreach sessions and a publicly noticed workshop. She noted that the policy includes a built-in review process scheduled to reopen one year after adoption.

Executive Director Cypret also provided an update on campus and systemwide NAGPRA oversight committees and described phased implementation of CollectionSpace as a systemwide collections management tool, including pilot campuses and staged onboarding.

President Morales described hands-on campus support provided through the Office of Tribal Relations, including on-site visits, technical assistance, monthly systemwide coordination meetings, and training for campus coordinators and presidential designees. He emphasized the importance of relationship-building with Tribal Nations beyond compliance.

Executive Director Cypret concluded by outlining ongoing challenges related to committee recruitment, external agency collections held on CSU campuses, and capacity constraints faced by Tribal Nations.

Vice Chancellor Saks thanked the Tribal Relations team and invited questions.

Trustees commended the Tribal Relations team and campus leadership for progress implementing State Auditor recommendations and finalizing the systemwide NAGPRA policy. Questions focused on challenges in filling remaining oversight committee vacancies, strategies for measuring progress beyond compliance metrics, and approaches to rebuilding trust with Tribal Nations.

Additional discussion addressed CSU's role as a repository for external agency collections, including compensation and resource responsibilities, and trustees encouraged continued coordination with agency partners.

Item 3 – Sponsored State Legislation for 2026

Vice Chancellor Saks and Nathan Dietrich, assistant vice chancellor for advocacy and state relations, presented three Board-sponsored legislative proposals for 2026 and provided an overview of the CSU's advocacy strategy.

Assistant Vice Chancellor Dietrich reviewed the legislative landscape and outlined the CSU's positions on pending and anticipated legislation, bond measures and advocacy priorities. He then described three Board-sponsored proposals: legislation authorizing institutions to seek restraining orders when credible threats are made against a campus; a pilot program enabling joint conferral of a general education associate degree for former CSU students with significant unit completion; and a nursing workforce proposal providing financial assistance in exchange for service in medically underserved communities. He also described the CSU's advocacy plan, emphasizing coordinated budget advocacy, legislative engagement, campus impact events, and expanded stakeholder and trustee advocacy.

Trustees expressed support for the proposed legislation while encouraging a more robust and earlier consultative process for developing future Board-sponsored proposals. Trustees emphasized the importance of evaluating outcomes of the associate degree pilot, ensuring shared governance and faculty involvement, and pursuing a comprehensive approach to addressing the nursing workforce shortage.

Trustees underscored the urgency of addressing long-deferred capital needs and encouraged continued advocacy for higher-education facilities funding. Staff responded to questions regarding proposal development, advocacy strategy and opportunities for trustee participation.

The action item was approved as submitted (RGR 1-26-01).

Trustee Rodriguez thanked the presenters, campus leaders and Chancellor's Office staff for their work and emphasized appreciation for the urgency and collaboration reflected throughout the meeting.

Trustee Rodriguez adjourned the meeting of the Committee on Governmental Relations**.**

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Tribal Relations Update and Status of NAGPRA and CalNAGPRA Compliance

Presentation By

Greg Saks
Vice Chancellor
External Relations and Communications

Samantha Cypret
Executive Director
Office of Tribal Relations (OTR)

Summary

This agenda item provides an update on Tribal Relations including the systemwide compliance in relation to federal and state laws that require the repatriation of Native American ancestral remains and cultural items that are in a university's possession or control.

Background

The January 2024 Board of Trustees meeting included a discussion on systemwide and university compliance in relation to the federal Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the California Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (CalNAGPRA), AB 389 and the 2023 state audit. The Board of Trustees has requested updates at future meetings on progress made towards meeting the CSU's responsibilities under state and federal law.

State Audit Update

As covered in our last report, the Chancellor's Office continues to advance implementation of the eight recommendations issued by the California State Auditor concerning CSU's compliance with NAGPRA and CalNAGPRA. Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 have been fully implemented, reflecting sustained systemwide efforts to strengthen compliance infrastructure, Tribal consultation practices, fiscal planning and oversight mechanisms.

Recommendation 1 required campuses to identify and report all holdings subject to NAGPRA and CalNAGPRA. The completion of comprehensive campus searches, inventories and reporting, together with ongoing review and verification by the Office of Tribal Relations, has established a complete and systemwide accounting of CSU holdings. This foundation remains essential to conducting repatriation in good faith and in full compliance with applicable law.

As previously reported, the CSU finalized the Systemwide NAGPRA Policy on November 13, 2025, following extensive statewide Tribal outreach and consultation. In accordance with commitments embedded in the policy, it will automatically reopen one year from finalization for review and potential revision through continued Tribal engagement. The policy and related implementation resources remain publicly accessible on the CSU NAGPRA website. We will begin scheduling the upcoming Tribal outreach sessions in the coming weeks to allow for advance scheduling.

Recommendations addressing Tribal consultation practices, organizational structure and staffing, and fiscal planning have likewise been designated as fully implemented. These determinations recognize the establishment of dedicated campus and systemwide leadership, the hiring of full-time repatriation coordinators, and the allocation of ongoing funding to support sustained compliance.

Audit Recommendation 4 remains the sole outstanding recommendation and directs the CSU to establish campus-level and systemwide NAGPRA oversight committees to strengthen accountability, transparency and sustained compliance. Consistent with AB 389 and the 2023 State Audit, committee members are nominated by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) and appointed by the Chancellor, with each committee composed of four voting Tribal representatives and three voting university representatives. As of February 2026, 71 members have been appointed across 21 universities, and every campus committee has at least one appointed member. Many campuses have fully constituted or near-complete committees, with remaining vacancies progressing through the NAHC nomination process.

At the systemwide level, six of seven voting members have been appointed, and the Systemwide NAGPRA Oversight Committee has met monthly since its inaugural meeting in October 2025, with its next meeting scheduled for April 10. Outreach efforts continue to encourage qualified applicants, and the NAHC will accept nominations until all 161 positions are filled. In the coming months, the focus will remain on completing appointments, orienting new members, and ensuring committees are positioned to carry out their statutory oversight responsibilities effectively and consistently across the system, with additional nominations anticipated at the April 17 NAHC meeting.

Prohibition on Teaching, Research, and Display

AB 389 and federal regulations place an additional emphasis on prohibiting the use of ancestral remains or cultural items that are in a university's collection for the purpose of teaching, research or display. On March 18, 2024, Chancellor García issued a memorandum directing university presidents to abide by the state and federal regulations and to ensure ancestral remains or cultural items that are in a university's collection are not used in teaching, research and are not on display. The inaugural systemwide policy includes this prohibition and federal Duty of Care requirements.

Campus Reporting and Status of Inventories

As previously reported, Audit Recommendation 1 has been designated as fully implemented following the completion of systemwide collection reviews. All campuses conducted required surveys and physical searches to identify previously unreported holdings containing potential Native American ancestral remains or cultural items, regardless of legal control, and reported findings to their presidential designee or repatriation coordinator. Ongoing survey and search efforts are now incorporated into campuses' continuing compliance obligations, and most campuses have scheduled their next round of surveys and searches. Cal State San Marcos has confirmed that it does not possess or control any NAGPRA or CalNAGPRA collections.

To maintain oversight and accountability, campuses submit bi-monthly compliance reports to OTR, as well as an annual Repatriation Implementation Plan detailing survey activities, inventory updates, consultation status, repatriation timelines and projected resource needs. The Systemwide NAGPRA Oversight Committee has now begun its review of campus reports and implementation plans, further strengthening transparency and systemwide accountability. OTR continues to use these reporting mechanisms to monitor progress, identify emerging issues, and provide targeted support to campuses as consultation and repatriation efforts advance.

Chancellor's Office Support and Tribal Relations

Systemwide NAGPRA Policy Training

On February 10–11, the Chancellor's Office convened the CSU Systemwide NAGPRA Policy Training, bringing together nearly 50 campus NAGPRA coordinators, presidential designees, Tribal representatives, collections managers, and legal and policy staff for two days of intensive instruction and peer exchange. The training was designed to enhance technical and procedural competency under NAGPRA and CalNAGPRA, strengthen Tribal consultation practices, promote consistency in policy implementation across campuses, and create space for peer learning and collaboration.

The training opened with a blessing from the Morongo Bird Singers, setting a respectful and culturally grounded tone that centered the work in community, tradition and intention. The first day focused on consultation, governance and complex decision-making. Sessions included *Tribal Outreach and Building Relationships*, emphasizing sustained, government-to-government engagement beyond minimum compliance requirements; *Crucial Conversations*, addressing strategies for navigating difficult campus discussions while upholding Tribal authority and statutory obligations; and *Preparing for Consultation*, underscoring institutional readiness and consultation as a deliberative process rather than a procedural formality. Panels were led by OTR staff and contactors, Tribal representatives from the Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation, and campus representatives.

The afternoon sessions addressed *Competing Claims* and *Lineal Descendants*, with a focus on procedural integrity, early consultation, Tribe-led processes, and legally sound engagement of descendants. Shannon O'Loughlin (Choctaw Nation), the Executive Director of the Association on

American Indian Affairs, provided national-level expertise regarding lineal descendant engagement and federal practice. The day concluded with discussion of the Peer Mentor Program (discussed on page 5) and an open forum to address emerging campus questions and implementation challenges.

Following the conclusion of the first day's agenda, the Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation welcomed participants to Yaamava' Resort and Casino for dinner and a screening of their documentary highlighting Tribal history. Vanessa Brierty, District Director for Assemblymember James Ramos, joined the evening program and shared her experience in cultural resource protection, as well as her work alongside the first California Native American elected to the State Legislature.

Day two concentrated on collections management, risk mitigation and operational compliance. The *Duty of Care and Duty to Safeguard and Protect Collections* session was led by Desiree Martinez (Pomona), Adriane Tafoya (OTR), and representatives from the Autry Museum of the American West, who shared practical approaches to implementing 36 CFR 79.9 within existing campus facilities. The *Emergency Preparedness* session, led by Jordan Leininger (Monterey Bay) and Autry Museum staff, examined the development of emergency response planning specific to NAGPRA collections.

A technical session on *Contamination*, presented by Preservation Arts, addressed the historical application of toxic chemicals to collections, testing methodologies (including XRF analysis), and documentation standards for managing contaminated materials. The training also included scenario-based breakout discussions to apply legal and policy principles to real-world campus situations, as well as optional individual appointments with outside counsel and peer mentors to provide campus-specific guidance.

Importantly, the agenda concluded with a self-care session recognizing that repatriation and consultation work can be complex and emotionally demanding. Blossom Masiel (Chiricahua Apache and Mountain Cahuilla) led a cultural session on the traditional preparation and use of elderberry syrup. This component served as both a cultural learning opportunity and a reminder that sustained engagement in this work requires intentional attention to personal and collective well-being.
The Chancellor's Office extends its sincere appreciation to President Morales and CSU San Bernardino for hosting the training; to the Morongo Bird Singers for opening the training; to the Autry Museum, the Association for American Indian Affairs, Preservation Arts, and Blossom Masiel for lending their expertise; and to the Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation for welcoming participants to their Tribal facility. These partnerships meaningfully enriched the training by grounding technical compliance work in Tribal history, sovereignty and lived experience.

<u>NAGPRA Coordinator Peer Mentor Program</u>

At the February Systemwide NAGPRA Policy Training, the Office of Tribal Relations formally unveiled the NAGPRA Campus Peer Mentor Program. This leadership model designates

experienced campus NAGPRA Coordinators and staff to provide structured, regional oversight and peer support in order to strengthen compliance, consultation practice and coordination across the system.

Each Peer Mentor will serve as both a peer leader and subject matter expert. Responsibilities include leading monthly regional coordinator meetings; meeting individually with campus coordinators to provide strategic guidance and troubleshoot challenges; participating in monthly systemwide leadership meetings; assisting with government-to-government consultation; and providing technical support on inventories, summaries, notices and documentation.

Peer Mentors will also serve as support in urgent compliance matters and report emerging concerns to OTR to ensure proactive systemwide coordination. Importantly, each Peer Mentor will continue to prioritize and remain fully responsible for advancing NAGPRA compliance and repatriation efforts on their respective home campuses, with additional responsibilities coordinated in alignment with campus and system leadership.

The program responds to the increasing scope and complexity of NAGPRA implementation across campuses and is designed to promote greater consistency, accountability and systemness in the CSU's repatriation efforts. By leveraging experienced coordinators as leads, the model strengthens communication, reinforces best practices, and supports sustained, coordinated progress.

The inaugural Peer Mentors are Elise Green (Sonoma), Sarah Eckhardt (Sacramento), Megan Lonski (Fullerton), and Desiree Martinez (Pomona). OTR is enthusiastic about launching this program and looks forward to the strengthened collaboration, shared leadership and continued advancement of systemwide compliance that it will support.

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State Legislative Update

Presentation By

Greg Saks
Vice Chancellor
External Relations and Communications

Nathan Dietrich
Assistant Vice Chancellor
Advocacy and State Relations

Summary

The State Senate and Assembly's legislative bill introduction deadline was February 20. In total, 1,923 measures were introduced this year, and the Advocacy and State Relations staff have identified more than 435 bills for further review or monitoring. As bills in each house approach their 30 days in print, policy committee hearings will begin in March and continue through late April. This presentation highlights bills of interest to the CSU community.

This report is organized as follows:

- Board of Trustees sponsored legislation
- Active bills
  - Senate Bills
  - Assembly Bills
- Active bills introduced in 2025
- Bills introduced in 2025 that are no longer eligible to advance

All bill summaries and positions are accurate as of March 3, 2026.

SPONSORED LEGISLATION

SB 1374 (Niello) – Restraining Orders: Educational Institutions
This bill allows public higher education institutions to request a restraining order against an individual that makes a credible threat towards a campus in a general manner.

- **CSU Position:** Sponsor
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 1858 (Lowenthal) – Joint Associate Degree Pilot Program
This bill authorizes the creation of a pilot program between California State University (CSU), Long Beach and Long Beach City College, and up to three other such partnerships, to award a joint Associate Degree in General Studies to students who left Cal State Long Beach (or another participating CSU university) in the past ten years with 60 or more units but before completing their baccalaureate degree.

- **CSU Position:** Sponsor
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

ACTIVE BILLS

Senate Bills

SB 892 (Grove) – Priority Registration: Members and Former Members of the Armed Forces of the United States and State Guard
This bill removes a 15-year limitation for priority registration at higher education institutions for service members.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

SB 895 (Wiener) – California Science and Health Research Bond Act
This bill places a $23 billion bond on the ballot and if approved by the voters would establish the California Foundation for Science and Health Research Fund. The Fund would award grants and make loans to public or private research companies, universities, institutes and organizations for scientific research and development. Funds could also be used for research facilities.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Health Committee

SB 960 (Cabaldon) – Community Colleges: Statewide Baccalaureate Degree Program
This bill allows any community college district to offer a baccalaureate degree program if the program or program curricula is not offered at a CSU university whose local admission area overlaps with the territory of the community college district, or if the program at the local CSU university has been impacted for 3 consecutive years before the date the program is approved.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

SB 1006 (Padilla) – Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant B Access Costs Award
This bill, commencing with the 2027-2028 award year, increases the Cal Grant B Access Award by the amount of the percentage increase of the California Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

SB 1101 (Pérez) – Sharing Personal Information: Notice
This bill requires all public postsecondary institutions to notify faculty, staff and students if their personal information is shared with the United States Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights when the request for personal information is made as part of an investigative, compliance or enforcement action, and to only share personal information of faculty, staff and students with the United States Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights if that sharing of personal information is required by federal or state law. The bill also requires the notification to describe the specific types of personal information shared.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

SB 1255 (Reyes) – Designation of California Hispanic-Serving Institutions
This bill establishes the California Hispanic-Serving Institution designation to recognize campuses that excel at providing academic resources to Latino students.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

SB 1328 (Cervantes) – Equity in Higher Education Act: Campus Contact
This bill requires the CSU and California Community Colleges (CCC), and requests the University of California (UC), to designate an employee at each satellite, branch or outreach center of a campus as a point of contact for the needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, asexual, pansexual, transgender, gender-nonconforming, intersex and two-spirit faculty, staff and students.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

Assembly

AB 1534 (Irwin) – Student Financial Aid: Federal Workforce Pell Grant program
This bill establishes the California Workforce Pell Grant Advisory Board, of which the CSU Chancellor would be a member, for the purpose of reviewing short-term programs that may be eligible for Workforce Pell Grant funds, collecting and reporting data, approving and denying programs, and designating an entity to manage student complaints.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1552 (Jackson) – General Education History and Government Courses: Civic Engagement, Civic Discord, Democracy, and Democratic Institutions
This bill requires the CSU and CCC, and requests the UC, to review and update general education history and government courses to ensure they include an emphasis on civic engagement and democracy.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1582 (Ortega) – Higher Education Employer-Employee Relations Act: Collective Bargaining and Unfair Labor Practice Charges
This bill makes it an unfair practice for a higher education employer to violate collective bargaining terms related to contracting out of bargaining unit work. It also imposes a $1,000 fine per day on employers who repeatedly commit said unfair practice.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee

AB 1630 (Caloza) – Meet and Confer: Observation
This bill authorizes bargaining representatives to invite one or more members of a bargaining unit to remotely and passively observe any bargaining session.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee

AB 1641 (Jackson) – Tribal Colleges and Universities
This bill provides that Tribal colleges and universities located in California and operated by an Indian Tribal government be included in the state definition of public higher education.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1716 (Stefani) – California Victim Compensation Board: Tuition Reimbursement
This bill expands the allowable reimbursable expenses under the Victim Compensation Board's Restitution Fund to include tuition for students who are the victim of sexual assault or violence if the student becomes unable to continue their attendance or suffers an academic setback.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Public Safety Committee

AB 1769 (Ramos) – Student Transfer: Tribal Colleges
This bill requires the CSU and CCC, and requests the UC, to develop and implement transfer agreement and articulation programs to support the transfer of California tribal college students to the segments.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1784 (Pellerin) – Nondiscrimination: Pregnancy or Pregnancy-Related Issues
This bill requires that a postsecondary educational institution shall not discriminate against a student or applicant based on pregnancy or related conditions, defines reasonable accommodations that a pregnant student may request, and states that institutions shall designate at least one employee to coordinate their efforts to carry out these requirements.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1818 (Ortega) – Employer-Employee Relations: Written Memoranda and Budgetary Actions
This bill strikes current language under the Higher Education Employee-Employer Relations Act (HEERA) pertaining to CSU that makes collective bargaining agreements ineffective if they were contingent on budgetary or legislative actions that did not occur.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee

AB 1831 (Ahrens) – Employees and Contractors: Compensation Restrictions
This bill prohibits the CSU Board of Trustees from adjusting administrator, manager or other unrepresented employees compensation to an amount that exceeds 125% of the compensation of the Governor. The bill also prohibits the Board from authorizing an increase for said employees in a year where tuition is raised. The bill also requires the Board to repeal the resolution approving executive compensation at the November 2025 meeting on or before July 2027.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1845 (Krell) – Student Safety: Human Tracking
This bill imposes numerous requirements on postsecondary institutions related to human trafficking, such as including information in currently required sexual harassment trainings, establishing written agreements with local law enforcement agencies to clarify operational responsibilities for investigations and revising university policies by July 1, 2027.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 1852 (Bains) – Kern Medical Education Authority
This bill authorizes the CSU and the Kern Community College District to establish a medical school in Kern County if the UC has not taken formal steps to do so by July 1, 2027.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1928 (Fong) – Sex Equity: Sexual Harassment Complaints
This bill requires that postsecondary institutions' Title IX grievance procedures allow each student party the opportunity to have both a support person and an adviser accompany the student party during any stage of the process.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1985 (Irwin) – Pupil and Student Health: Athletic Coaches: Mental Health Training
This bill requires the California Surgeon General on or before July 1, 2027, to identify and compile a list of mental health training programs that local educational agencies and postsecondary educational institutions can use to train athletic coaches that meet minimum standards, which the Surgeon General would be required to establish. The bill requires all public postsecondary educational institutions and independent institutions of higher education to require a person hired to an athletic coach position to complete a student mental health training that has been approved by the Surgeon General.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Health Committee

AB 2053 (Ta) – Community Colleges: Baccalaureate Degree Program: Coast Community College District
This bill authorizes Coast Community College District to offer a cybersecurity baccalaureate degree program.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 2114 (Bryan) – Nonresident Tuition Fee Exemption: Educational Asylum Program
This bill requires the CSU and CCC, and requests the UC, to administer an educational asylum program wherein students from states that limit the teaching of diversity, equity and inclusion, critical race theory, or similar subjects in their postsecondary educational institutions may receive in-state tuition at California public universities.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2136 (Pacheco) – Community Colleges: Baccalaureate Degree Program: Cerritos Community College District
This bill authorizes Cerritos Community College District to offer 3 baccalaureate degree programs.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 2176 (Fong) – Student Housing: Intersegmental Working Group
This bill requires the CSU, CCC and requests the UC to form an intersegmental working group to develop a statewide plan that identifies opportunities for intersegmental collaboration to build campus housing.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 2203 (Tangipa) – Priority Registration: Veterans and Dependents of Veterans: Federal GI Bill
This bill requires the CSU, CCC and requests the UC to provide priority registration to students who receive a CalVet fee waiver or are using federal GI Bill benefits beginning the 2028-2029 academic year.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2212 (Bauer-Kahan) – Sexual Harassment and Bullying: Student Orientation and Training
This bill requires the CSU, UC, CCC and independent postsecondary educational institutions to update their respective sexual harassment policies to include items related to artificial intelligence, bullying and sexual exploitation and to include this information as part of campus orientations. This bill also requires that public universities provide up to $1,000 each to students who are victims of digitized sexually explicit material to help them identify and remove the material.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2229 (Pellerin) – The CSU Enrollment, Access, and Retention of Nontraditional Students Program
This bill requires the CSU to adopt several elements related to reenrolling nontraditional students, from adopting a policy to prioritize enrollment funding to campuses that engage in outreach to these students, to collaborating with the Academic Senate on a transcript evaluation policy, to designating one nontraditional student advisor at each campus, and provide priority registration to former students returning to complete a degree.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2236 (Berman) – Articulation Agreements
This bill requires the Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates to establish an agreement for implementing streamlined system-level articulation by utilizing the common course numbering templates by July 1, 2027. If the agreement is not established, the administrative bodies of the segments must reach an agreement by December 31, 2027.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2251 (Rodriguez) – Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program: Cost of Attendance
This bill requires postsecondary educational institutions, commencing with the 2027-2028 academic year, to alter their cost of attendance adjustment policies.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2301 (Soria) – Community Colleges: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program
This bill requires the California Community College Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) to develop a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that authorizes 10 community college districts to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and requires the CCCCO to identify and select eligible community college districts based on specified criteria.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2365 (Sanchez) – Education-Related Positions: Dismissals: Egregious Misconduct: Employment
This bill disqualifies an individual from employment in any education related position including the CSU, UC, local or state agency, or any local educational agency if they commit egregious misconduct relating to human trafficking, child abandonment and neglect, child abduction, and impermissible contact with a minor.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2374 (Fong) – Designation of California Asian American- and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions
This bill creates a California Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution designation to recognize campuses that excel at providing academic resources to AANAPI students.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2422 (Caloza) – Student Financial Aid: Delayed Financial Aid Awards: Extensions
This bill requires public and private universities to extend deadlines and refrain from imposing punitive actions when a student's financial aid award is delayed due to factors outside of their control, such as delays in the processing of FAFSA or California Dream Act applications.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2436 (Fong) – Tuition and Fees: Team USA Student Athletes
This bill removes the sunset date on current law related to resident classification for any Team USA student athlete who trains in California in an elite-level program approved by the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2523 (Fong) – Governing Bodies: Biography and Contact Information
This bill requires all the public higher education segments to post on their governing body websites the name, email address, mailing address of each member of the governing body, telephone number if assigned by the segment, and a short biography of each member. The bill also encourages members of these governing bodies to consider input provided before voting on a matter at an open meeting of the governing body.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2660 (Alvarez) – Intersegmental Partnerships: STEM Education
This bill creates the Cal-Bridge Program as a partnership program between the three segments to promote the advancement of STEM students to pursue post-baccalaureate STEM degrees and become STEM professors or leaders in California's tech industry.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2693 (Alvarez) – Doctoral Programs
This bill authorizes the CSU to offer doctoral degrees without consulting with the UC or Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities (AICCU).

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

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AB 2766 (Ahrens) – Student Housing: Foster Youth and Homeless Youth
This bill requires that each CSU campus that maintains student housing facilities include questions in their housing application to identify students who are eligible for priority housing based on their current or former foster youth status and shall defer the collection of any housing-related costs until the student's financial aid is disbursed.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

TWO YEAR BILLS

Senate Bills

SB 244 (Grayson) – Disabled Student Services Assessments
Contingent upon appropriation and commencing July 2027, this bill requires the CSU, and requests the UC, to cover the costs of diagnostic assessments for learning disabilities, while requiring state funds to reimburse institutions for documented costs.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB 323 (Perez) – Student Aid Commission: California Dream Act Application
This bill requires the California Student Aid Commission to amend the California Dream Act application by the start of the 2026-2027 financial aid cycle to clarify that the application can be used by any student eligible for state financial aid programs, regardless of their eligibility for federal financial aid, and to work with the segments of higher education to promote this application.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB 417 (Cabaldon) – The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026
This bill places a $10 billion bond on the November 2026 statewide general election to finance various affordable rental housing and homeownership programs.

- **CSU Position:** Support if amended
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

SB 550 (Cortese) – California State University, San José: Legal Partnership Pilot Program
This bill authorizes the Trustees of the CSU to establish a legal education pilot program, consisting of San José State University, and a law school accredited by the Committee of Bar Examiners of the State Bar of California as an independent nonprofit institution, to operate for a period of 6 academic years.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB 685 (Cortese) – CSU: Financial Aid for Homeless Students: Pilot Program
This bill establishes the Financial Assistance for Students Experiencing Homelessness Pilot Program at four CSU universities to provide financial grants to students who were homeless at any point during high school and are now enrolled at the CSU.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB 790 (Cabaldon) – Postsecondary Education Coordinating Entity: Interstate Reciprocity Agreements for Distance Education: Out-of-State Private Postsecondary Educational Institutions
This bill creates a postsecondary coordinating entity and provides a foundation for interstate reciprocity agreements for distance education.

- **CSU Position:** Support
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SCR 82 (Niello) – Artificial Intelligence Usage
This resolution encourages the President of the UC, the Chancellor of the CSU, and the Chancellor of the CCC to create a workgroup of faculty, staff and administrators to review the use of artificial intelligence in higher education, and create a report and make public the strategies and best practices for artificial intelligence usage agreed upon by the workgroup.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

Assembly Bills

AB 48 (Alvarez) – College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2026
This bill places a facilities bond on a yet to be determined 2026 statewide ballot for public higher education institutions.

- **CSU Position:** Support
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 291 (Gipson) – Teacher: Credentialed Educator Apprenticeship Programs
This bill requires the Division of Apprenticeship Standards to partner with the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to enact requirements for educator apprenticeship programs and to approve and monitor said programs.

- **CSU Position:** Support
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Appropriations Committee

AB 395 (Gabriel) – Holidays
This bill requires public higher education segments, K-12 school districts and state agencies to make every reasonable effort to avoid commencing an academic term or scheduling a meeting or conference subject to Bagley-Keene or the Brown Act on a date members of the public cannot attend or participate due to known religious, cultural or ancestral holidays.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Judiciary Committee

AB 664 (Alvarez) – Bachelor's Degree Program: Southwestern Community College District
This bill authorizes Southwestern Community College District to unilaterally offer four baccalaureate degree programs outside the AB 927 process for approving community college bachalaureate degree programs.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 713 (Solache) – Student Employment
This bill prohibits the CSU and UC from disqualifying a student from applying for employment at a university due to failure to provide proof of federal work authorization unless prohibited by federal law.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 736 (Wicks) – The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026
This bill places a $10 billion bond on the June 2026 statewide primary election to finance various affordable rental housing and homeownership programs.

- **CSU Position:** Support if amended
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 1045 (Avila Farias) – Financial Incentives: Nonprofit Organizations: Service-Learning
This bill authorizes the CSU and UC universities that choose to participate in a specified service-learning program to provide financial incentives to partnering nonprofit organizations for purposes of facilitating service-learning programs.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Appropriations Committee

AB 1093 (Solache) – California-Mexico Higher Education Development and Academic Exchange Program
This bill creates the California-Mexico Higher Education Development and Academic Exchange Program for 400 students from California public postsecondary institutions to study in Mexico and 400 students from Mexico to study at a California public postsecondary institution.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

AB 1128 (Muratsuchi) – California Student Teacher Support Grant Program
This bill, upon appropriation of one-time funding, establishes the California Student Teacher Support Grant Program to award grants to teaching credential candidates to compensate them while they perform required student teaching hours.

- **CSU Position:** Support
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

AB 1235 (Rogers) – CSU: Skilled and Trained Workforce Requirement
This bill prohibits the CSU from prequalifying, shortlisting or awarding a contract to a contractor unless the contractor provides commitment that every tier of subcontractor will use skilled and trained workforce to perform all work on a project or contract that falls within an apprenticeable occupation.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 1346 (DeMaio) – Dependents of Members of the Armed Forces: Re-Enrollments
This bill requires the CSU, and requests the UC, to extend dependent students of a U.S. Armed Forces member the right to reenroll as a resident if their military sponsor has been transferred out of state or is retired from active duty.

- **CSU Position:** Support
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

AB 1486 (Soria) – Climate Resiliency: Research Farms: Grant Program
This bill authorizes $15 million in Prop 4 funding to be made available in grants to postsecondary institutions that are designated by the CSU or UC as Agricultural Experiment Stations or Agricultural Research Institutes to develop research farms to improve climate resiliency.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

BILLS NO LONGER ADVANCING

Senate Bills

SB 60 (Seyarto) – Waiver of Tuition and Fees: California Military Department GI Bill Award Program: Extended Education Courses
This bill prohibits the CSU, and requests the UC, from charging tuition or fees for students who are veterans, along with their dependents, who choose to enroll in an extended education course if certain requirements are satisfied and the extended education course is being used to meet the requirements of an undergraduate degree program.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

SB 289 (Cervantes) – Gender and Sex Discrimination Educational Oversight Office
This bill requires the Attorney General to establish a statewide Gender and Sex Discrimination Educational Oversight Office to serve as a point of contact for students who are dissatisfied with their campus-based policies or investigative procedures and to establish a process to investigate complaints.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

Assembly Bills

AB 95 (Fong) – California Education Interagency Council
This bill establishes the California Education Interagency Council, composed of specified state officers for purposes of evaluating workforce and economic changes in the state, integrating and aligning education and employment systems, maximizing funding impact, supporting adult skill development, coordinating regional education and workforce needs, and serving as a forum for discussions of intersegmental and cross-sector policy issues.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

AB 326 (Kalra) – CSU Audits
This bill requires an external financial audit of each university of the CSU to be conducted once every three years, and that all audits of the CSU or its universities, including internal audits, be available to the public.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

AB 335 (Gipson) – The Designation of California Black-Serving Institutions Grant Program
This bill annually appropriate $75 million from the General Fund to the Designation of California Black-Serving Institutions (BSI) Grant Program Fund for purposes of awarding grants to CSU universities and community college districts that apply for grants.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking

AB 530 (Hart) – CSU: Fiscal Transparency Act of 2025
This bill requires the CSU, on or before July 2027, to include information on its website on each expenditure of state funds that exceeds $10,000 in a format that allows the public to search and aggregate information, along with a feature allowing the public to make recommendations on how information is provided to the public.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

AB 556 (Patterson) – Waiver of Campus-Based Fees: Veterans
This bill prohibits public higher education segments from charging recipients of the CalVet fee waiver mandatory campus-based fees.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

AB 718 (Tangipa) – Labor Market Outcome and Student Loan Data
This bill requires the CSU, and requests the UC, to include average salary data and student loan payment data for students' intended area of study on their admissions letter.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

AB 791 (Berman) – Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program: Cost of Attendance
This bill requires postsecondary institutions to make specified changes to their cost of attendance policy, including the methodology for calculating the off-campus student housing budget, and requires that the review of a student's adjustment request be completed within 14 days.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

AB 844 (Essayli) – Sex-Segregated School and Athletic Programs and Activities: Use of Facilities
This bill, applying to local educational agencies and postsecondary institutions, requires a student's participation in sex-segregated athletic programs and activities, and use of facilities, including bathrooms, locker rooms, showers, overnight accommodations and student housing at a postsecondary institution be based on the student's sex.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking

AB 850 (Pacheco) – Institutional Debt Transparency Act
This bill requires the CSU and CCC, and requests the UC, to report annually on the status of students' institutional debt and to offer students a one-time exemption to re-enroll or register for classes without first addressing their institutional debt.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

AB 885 (Solache) – College Access for All Fund
This bill establishes the Debt Free College at the UC and the CSU Fund in the State Treasury and requires all moneys in the fund to be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the UC and the CSU for purposes of lowering the cost of undergraduate attendance, either through tuition reductions or loan repayment programs.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking

AB 958 (Sharp- Collins) – Trustees of the CSU: Gubernatorial Faculty Appointees
This bill adds two members to the CSU Board of Trustees (increasing the board to 27 members), by adding one additional member appointed by the Governor and one additional faculty member, also appointed by the Governor.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

AB 1082 (Flora) – Nursing: Students in Out-of-State Nursing Programs
This bill allows out-of-state nursing schools to secure in-state clinical placements for nursing students who reside in California.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

AB 1241 (Schiavo) – Pay-it-Forward, Pay it Back Pilot Program: Study
This bill requires the California Student Aid Commission, in partnership with the Legislative Analyst's Office, to conduct a study on the potential effects of enacting a pilot program in future legislation that would provide a new way of financing students' cost of attendance at the three public segments, wherein participants would agree to pay a percentage of their annual adjusted gross income after graduation or disenrollment and subsequent employment rather than pay upfront tuition, fees, and room and board.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

AB 1453 (Tangipa) – Student Health: Contraception and Emergency Contraception Information
This bill requires the CSU and UC universities to provide comprehensive information on adoption in each location on campus where contraception is available, including when birth control is provided to students through the student health center or pharmacy.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking

AB 1462 (Hart) – Community Colleges: Baccalaureate Degree Program: Allan Hancock College
This bill provides Allan Hancock Community College District an individual exemption from AB 927 (Medina, 2021) and authorizes the college to offer duplicative baccalaureate degree programs.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

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COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

State Legislative Update

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Summary

The State Senate and Assembly's legislative bill introduction deadline was February 20. In total, 1,923~~699~~ measures were introduced this year, and the Advocacy and State Relations staff have~~has~~ identified more than 435~~206~~ bills for further review or monitoring. As bills in each house approach their 30 days in print, policy committee hearings will begin in March~~this month~~ and continue through late April. This presentation highlights bills of interest to the CSU community.

This report is organized as follows:

- Board of Trustees sponsored legislation
- Active bills
  - Senate Bills
  - Assembly Bills
- Active bills introduced in 2025~~2026~~
- Bills introduced in 2025 that are no longer eligible to advance

All bill summaries and positions are accurate as of March 3~~February 17~~, 2026.

SPONSORED LEGISLATION

SB 1374 (Niello) – Restraining Orders: Educational Institutions
This bill allows public higher education institutions to request a restraining order against an individual that makes a credible threat towards a campus in a general manner.

- **CSU Position:** Sponsor
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 1858 (Lowenthal) – Joint Associate Degree Pilot Program
This bill authorizes the creation of a pilot program between California State University (CSU), Long Beach and Long Beach City College, and up to three other such partnerships, to award a joint Associate Degree in General Studies to students who left Cal State Long Beach (or another participating~~particating~~ CSU university) in the past ten years with 60 or more units but before completing their baccalaureate degree.

- **CSU Position:** Sponsor~~Pending~~
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing~~referral~~ in the Assembly Higher Education ~~Rules~~ Committee

ACTIVE BILLS

Senate Bills

SB 892 (Grove) – Priority Registration: Members and Former Members of the Armed Forces of the United States and State Guard
This bill removes a 15-year limitation for priority registration at higher education institutions for service members.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

SB 895 (Wiener) – California Science and Health Research Bond Act
This bill places a $23 billion bond on the ballot and if approved by the voters would establish the California Foundation for Science and Health Research Fund. The Fund would award grants and make loans to public or private research companies, universities, institutes and organizations for scientific research and development. Funds could also be used for research facilities.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Health Committee

SB 960 (Cabaldon) – Community Colleges: Statewide Baccalaureate Degree Program
This bill allows any community college district to offer a baccalaureate degree program if the program or program curricula is not offered at a ~~California State University (~~CSU~~)~~ university whose local admission area overlaps with the territory of the community college district, or if the program at the local CSU university has been impacted for 3 consecutive years before the date the program is approved.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

SB 1006 (Padilla) – Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant B Access Costs Award
This bill, commencing with the 2027-2028 award year, increases the Cal Grant B Access Award by the amount of the percentage increase of the California Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing~~referral~~ in the Senate Education~~Rules~~ Committee

SB 1101 (Pérez) – Sharing Personal Information: Notice
This bill requires all public postsecondary institutions to notify faculty, staff and students if their personal information is shared with the United States Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights when the request for personal information is made as part of an investigative, compliance or enforcement action, and to only share personal information of faculty, staff and students with the United States Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights if that sharing of personal information is required by federal or state law. The bill also requires the notification to describe the specific types of personal information shared.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing~~referral~~ in the Senate Education~~Rules~~ Committee

SB 1255 (Reyes) – Designation of California Hispanic-Serving Institutions
This bill establishes the California Hispanic-Serving Institution designation to recognize campuses that excel at providing academic resources to Latino students.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

SB 1328 (Cervantes) – Equity in Higher Education Act: Campus Contact
This bill requires the CSU and California Community Colleges (CCC), and requests the University of California (UC), to designate an employee at each satellite, branch or outreach center of a campus as a point of contact for the needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, asexual, pansexual, transgender, gender-nonconforming, intersex and two-spirit faculty, staff and students.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

Assembly

AB 1534 (Irwin) – Student Financial Aid: Federal Workforce Pell Grant program
This bill establishes the California Workforce Pell Grant Advisory Board, of which the CSU Chancellor would be a member, for the purpose of reviewing short-term programs that may be eligible for Workforce Pell Grant funds, collecting and reporting data, approving and denying programs, and designating an entity to manage student complaints.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1552 (Jackson) – General Education History~~Public postsecondary education: general education history~~ and Government Courses: Civic Engagement, Civic Discord, Democracy~~government courses: civic engagement, civic discord, democracy~~, and Democratic Institutions~~democratic institutions~~
This bill requires the CSU and ~~California Community Colleges (~~CCC~~,),~~ and requests~~request~~ the ~~University of California (~~UC~~,),~~ to review and update general education history and government courses to ensure they include an emphasis on civic engagement and democracy.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1582 (Ortega) – Higher Education Employer-Employee Relations Act: Collective Bargaining and Unfair Labor Practice Charges
This bill makes it an unfair practice for a higher education employer to violate collective bargaining terms related to contracting out of bargaining unit work. It also imposes a $1,000 fine per day on employers who repeatedly commit said unfair practice.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee

AB 1630 (Caloza) – Meet and Confer: Observation
This bill authorizes bargaining representatives to invite one or more members of a bargaining unit to remotely and passively observe any bargaining session.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee

AB 1641 (Jackson) – Tribal Colleges and Universities
This bill provides that Tribal colleges and universities located in California and operated by an Indian Tribal government be included in the state definition of public higher education.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1716 (Stefani) – California Victim Compensation Board: Tuition Reimbursement
This bill expands the allowable reimbursable expenses under the Victim Compensation Board's Restitution Fund to include tuition for students who are the victim of sexual assault or violence if the student becomes unable to continue their attendance or suffers an academic setback.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing~~referral~~ in the Assembly Public Safety ~~Rules~~ Committee

AB 1769 (Ramos) – Student Transfer: Tribal Colleges
This bill requires the CSU and CCC, and requests the UC, to develop and implement transfer agreement and articulation programs to support the transfer of California tribal college students to the segments.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing~~referral~~ in the Assembly Higher Education ~~Rules~~ Committee

AB 1784 (Pellerin) – Nondiscrimination: Pregnancy or Pregnancy-Related Issues
This bill requires that a postsecondary educational institution shall not discriminate against a student or applicant based on pregnancy or related conditions, defines reasonable accommodations that a pregnant student may request, and states that institutions shall designate at least one employee to coordinate their efforts to carry out these requirements.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1818 (Ortega) – Employer-Employee Relations: Written Memoranda and Budgetary Actions
This bill strikes current language under the Higher Education Employee-Employer Relations Act (HEERA) pertaining to CSU that makes collective bargaining agreements ineffective if they were contingent on budgetary or legislative actions that did not occur.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee

AB 1831 (Ahrens) – Employees and Contractors: Compensation Restrictions
This bill prohibits the CSU Board of Trustees from adjusting administrator, manager or other unrepresented employees compensation to an amount that exceeds 125% of the compensation of the Governor. The bill also prohibits the Board from authorizing an increase for said employees in a year where tuition is raised. The bill also requires the Board to repeal the resolution approving executive compensation at the November 2025 meeting on or before July 2027.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1845 (Krell) – Student Safety: Human Tracking
This bill imposes numerous requirements on postsecondary institutions related to human trafficking, such as including information in currently required sexual harassment trainings, establishing written agreements with local law enforcement agencies to clarify operational responsibilities for investigations and revising university policies by July 1, 2027.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 1852 (Bains) – Kern Medical Education Authority
This bill authorizes the CSU and the Kern Community College District to establish a medical school in Kern County if the UC has not taken formal steps to do so by July 1, 2027.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1928 (Fong) – Sex Equity: Sexual Harassment Complaints
This bill requires that postsecondary institutions' Title IX grievance procedures allow each student party the opportunity to have both a support person and an adviser accompany the student party during any stage of the process.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 1985 (Irwin) – Pupil and Student Health: Athletic Coaches: Mental Health Training
This bill requires the California Surgeon General on or before July 1, 2027, to identify and compile a list of mental health training programs that local educational agencies and postsecondary educational institutions can use to train athletic coaches that meet minimum standards, which the Surgeon General would be required to establish. The bill requires all public postsecondary educational institutions and independent institutions of higher education to require a person hired to an athletic coach position to complete a student mental health training that has been approved by the Surgeon General.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Health Committee

AB 2053 (Ta) – Community Colleges: Baccalaureate Degree Program: Coast Community College District
This bill authorizes Coast Community College District to offer a cybersecurity baccalaureate degree program.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 2114 (Bryan) – Nonresident Tuition Fee Exemption: Educational Asylum Program
This bill requires the CSU and CCC, and requests the UC, to administer an educational asylum program wherein students from states that limit the teaching of diversity, equity and inclusion, critical race theory, or similar subjects in their postsecondary educational institutions may receive in-state tuition at California public universities.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2136 (Pacheco) – Community Colleges: Baccalaureate Degree Program: Cerritos Community College District
This bill authorizes Cerritos Community College District to offer 3 baccalaureate degree programs.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 2176 (Fong) – Student Housing: Intersegmental Working Group
This bill requires the CSU, CCC and requests the UC to form an intersegmental working group to develop a statewide plan that identifies opportunities for intersegmental collaboration to build campus housing.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

AB 2203 (Tangipa) – Priority Registration: Veterans and Dependents of Veterans: Federal GI Bill
This bill requires the CSU, CCC and requests the UC to provide priority registration to students who receive a CalVet fee waiver or are using federal GI Bill benefits beginning the 2028-2029 academic year.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2212 (Bauer-Kahan) – Sexual Harassment and Bullying: Student Orientation and Training
This bill requires the CSU, UC, CCC and independent postsecondary educational institutions to update their respective sexual harassment policies to include items related to artificial intelligence, bullying and sexual exploitation and to include this information as part of campus orientations. This bill also requires that public universities provide up to $1,000 each to students who are victims of digitized sexually explicit material to help them identify and remove the material.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2229 (Pellerin) – The CSU Enrollment, Access, and Retention of Nontraditional Students Program
This bill requires the CSU to adopt several elements related to reenrolling nontraditional students, from adopting a policy to prioritize enrollment funding to campuses that engage in outreach to these students, to collaborating with the Academic Senate on a transcript evaluation policy, to designating one nontraditional student advisor at each campus, and provide priority registration to former students returning to complete a degree.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2236 (Berman) – Articulation Agreements
This bill requires the Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates to establish an agreement for implementing streamlined system-level articulation by utilizing the common course numbering templates by July 1, 2027. If the agreement is not established, the administrative bodies of the segments must reach an agreement by December 31, 2027.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2251 (Rodriguez) – Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program: Cost of Attendance
This bill requires postsecondary educational institutions, commencing with the 2027-2028 academic year, to alter their cost of attendance adjustment policies.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2301 (Soria) – Community Colleges: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program
This bill requires the California Community College Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) to develop a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program that authorizes 10 community college districts to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and requires the CCCCO to identify and select eligible community college districts based on specified criteria.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2365 (Sanchez) – Education-Related Positions: Dismissals: Egregious Misconduct: Employment
This bill disqualifies an individual from employment in any education related position including the CSU, UC, local or state agency, or any local educational agency if they commit egregious misconduct relating to human trafficking, child abandonment and neglect, child abduction, and impermissible contact with a minor.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2374 (Fong) – Designation of California Asian American- and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions
This bill creates a California Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution designation to recognize campuses that excel at providing academic resources to AANAPI students.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2422 (Caloza) – Student Financial Aid: Delayed Financial Aid Awards: Extensions
This bill requires public and private universities to extend deadlines and refrain from imposing punitive actions when a student's financial aid award is delayed due to factors outside of their control, such as delays in the processing of FAFSA or California Dream Act applications.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2436 (Fong) – Tuition and Fees: Team USA Student Athletes
This bill removes the sunset date on current law related to resident classification for any Team USA student athlete who trains in California in an elite-level program approved by the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2523 (Fong) – Governing Bodies: Biography and Contact Information
This bill requires all the public higher education segments to post on their governing body websites the name, email address, mailing address of each member of the governing body, telephone number if assigned by the segment, and a short biography of each member. The bill also encourages members of these governing bodies to consider input provided before voting on a matter at an open meeting of the governing body.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2660 (Alvarez) – Intersegmental Partnerships: STEM Education
This bill creates the Cal-Bridge Program as a partnership program between the three segments to promote the advancement of STEM students to pursue post-baccalaureate STEM degrees and become STEM professors or leaders in California's tech industry.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

AB 2693 (Alvarez) – Doctoral Programs
This bill authorizes the CSU to offer doctoral degrees without consulting with the UC or Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities (AICCU).

- **CSU Position:** Pending
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- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

~~**AB 1784 (Pellerin) – Nondiscrimination: Pregnancy or Pregnancy-Related Issues**~~
~~This bill requires that a postsecondary educational institution shall not discriminate against a student or applicant based on pregnancy or related conditions, defines reasonable accommodations that a pregnant student may request, and states that institutions shall designate at least one employee to coordinate their efforts to carry out these requirements.~~

- ~~**CSU Position:** Pending~~
- ~~**Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee~~

~~AB 1818 (Ortega) – Employer-Employee Relations~~
~~This bill removes a provision in the Higher Education Employee Employer Relations Act (HEERA) pertaining to the CSU that make collective bargaining agreements ineffective if they were contingent on budgetary or legislative actions that did not occur.~~

- ~~**CSU Position:** Pending~~
- ~~**Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee~~
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~~AB 1831 (Ahrens) – Employees and Contractors: Compensation Restrictions~~
~~This bill prohibits the CSU Board of Trustees from adjusting the salary of a administrator, manager or other unrepresented employees to an amount that exceeds 125% of the compensation of the Governor. The bill also prohibits the Board from authorizing an increase for said employees in a year where tuition is raised. The bill also would require the Board to repeal the resolution approving executive compensation at the November 2025 meeting on or before July 2027.~~

- ~~**CSU Position:** Pending~~
- ~~**Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee~~

~~AB 1845 (Krell) – Student Safety: Human Tracking~~
~~This bill imposes numerous requirements on postsecondary institutions related to human trafficking, from including information in currently required sexual harassment trainings, to establishing written agreements with local law enforcement agencies to clarify operational responsibilities for investigations, and revising university policies by July 1, 2027.~~

- ~~**CSU Position:** Pending~~
- ~~**Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee~~

~~AB 1852 (Bains) – Kern Medical Education Authority~~
~~This bill authorizes the CSU and the Kern Community College District to establish a medical school in Kern County if the UC has not taken formal steps to do so by July 1, 2027.~~

- ~~**CSU Position:** Pending~~
- ~~**Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee~~

~~AB 1985 (Irwin) – Pupil and Student Health: Athletic Coaches: Mental Health Training~~
~~This bill requires the California Surgeon General on or before July 1, 2027, to identify and compile a list of mental health training programs that local educational agencies and postsecondary educational institutions can use to train athletic coaches that meet minimum standards, which the California Surgeon General would be required to establish. The bill requires all public postsecondary educational institution and independent institution of higher education to require a person hired to an athletic coach position to complete a student mental health training that has been approved by the California Surgeon General.~~

- ~~**CSU Position:** Pending~~
- ~~**Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee~~

TWO YEAR BILLS

Senate Bills

SB 244 (Grayson) – Disabled Student Services Assessments
Contingent upon appropriation and commencing July 2027, this bill requires the CSU, and requests the UC, to cover the costs of diagnostic assessments for learning disabilities, while requiring state funds to reimburse institutions for documented costs.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB 323 (Perez) – Student Aid Commission: California Dream Act Application
This bill requires the California Student Aid Commission to amend the California Dream Act application by the start of the 2026-2027 financial aid cycle to clarify that the application can be used by any student eligible for state financial aid programs, regardless of their eligibility for federal financial aid, and to work with the segments of higher education to promote this application.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB 417 (Cabaldon) – The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026
This bill places a $10 billion bond on the November 2026 statewide general election to finance various affordable rental housing and homeownership programs.

- **CSU Position:** Support if amended
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Assembly Rules Committee

SB 550 (Cortese) – California State University, San José: Legal Partnership Pilot Program
This bill authorizeswould authorize the Trustees of the CSUCalifornia State University to establish a legal education pilot program, consisting of San José State University, and a law school accredited by the Committee of Bar Examiners of the State Bar of California as an independent nonprofit institution, to operate for a period of 6 academic years.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB 685 (Cortese) – CSU: Financial Aid for Homeless Students: Pilot Program
This bill establishes the Financial Assistance for Students Experiencing Homelessness Pilot Program at four CSU universities to provide financial grants to students who were homeless at any point during high school and are now enrolled at the CSU.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SB 790 (Cabaldon) – Postsecondary Education Coordinating Entity: Interstate Reciprocity Agreements for Distance Education: Out-of-State Private Postsecondary Educational Institutions
This bill creates a postsecondary coordinating entity and provides a foundation for interstate reciprocity agreements for distance education.

- **CSU Position:** Support
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee

SCR 82 (Niello) – Artificial Intelligence UsagePublic higher education: artificial intelligence usage
This resolution encourages the President of the UC, the Chancellor of the CSU, and the Chancellor of the CCC to create a workgroup of faculty, staff and administrators to review the use of artificial intelligence in higher education, and create a report and make public the strategies and best practices for artificial intelligence usage agreed upon by the workgroup.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee

Assembly Bills

AB 48 (Alvarez) – College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2026
This bill places a facilities bond on a yet to be determined 2026 statewide ballot for public higher education institutions.

- **CSU Position:** Support
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 291 (Gipson) – Teacher: Credentialed Educator Apprenticeship Programs
This bill requires the Division of Apprenticeship Standards to partner with the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to enact requirements for educator apprenticeship programs and to approve and monitor said programs.

- **CSU Position:** Support
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Appropriations Committee

AB 395 (Gabriel) – Holidays
This bill requires~~would require~~ public higher education segments, K-12 school districts and state agencies to make every reasonable effort to avoid commencing an academic term or scheduling a meeting or conference subject to Bagley-Keene or the Brown Act on a date members of the public cannot attend or participate due to known religious, cultural or ancestral holidays.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Judiciary Committee

AB 664 (Alvarez) – Bachelor's Degree Program: Southwestern Community College District
This bill authorizes Southwestern Community College District to unilaterally offer four baccalaureate degree programs outside the AB 927 process for approving community college bachalaureate degree programs.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 713 (Solache) – ~~Public Postsecondary Education:~~ Student Employment
This bill prohibits the CSU and UC from disqualifying a student from applying for employment at a university due to failure to provide proof of federal work authorization unless prohibited by federal law.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 736 (Wicks) – The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026
This bill places a $10 billion bond on the June 2026 statewide primary election to finance various affordable rental housing and homeownership programs.

- **CSU Position:** Support if amended
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 1045 (Avila Farias) – ~~CSU and UC:~~ Financial Incentives: Nonprofit Organizations: Service-Learning
This bill authorizes the CSU and UC universities that choose to participate in a specified service-learning program to provide financial incentives to partnering nonprofit organizations for purposes of facilitating service-learning programs.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Appropriations Committee

AB 1093 (Solache) – ~~Public Postsecondary Education:~~ California-Mexico Higher Education Development and Academic Exchange Program
This bill creates the California-Mexico Higher Education Development and Academic Exchange Program for 400 students from California public postsecondary institutions to study in Mexico and 400 students from Mexico to study at a California public postsecondary institution.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

AB 1128 (Muratsuchi) – California Student Teacher Support Grant Program
This bill, upon appropriation of one-time funding, establishes~~would establish~~ the California Student Teacher Support Grant Program to award grants to teaching credential candidates to compensate them while they perform required student teaching hours.

- **CSU Position:** Support
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

AB 1235 (Rogers) – CSU: Skilled and Trained Workforce Requirement
This bill prohibits~~would prohibit~~ the CSU from prequalifying, shortlisting or awarding a contract to a contractor unless the contractor provides commitment that every tier of subcontractor will use skilled and trained workforce to perform all work on a project or contract that falls within an apprenticeable occupation.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

AB 1346 (DeMaio) – ~~Public Postsecondary Education:~~ Dependents of Members of the Armed Forces: Re-Enrollments
This bill requires the CSU, and requests the UC, to extend dependent students of a U.S. Armed Forces member the right to reenroll as a resident if their military sponsor has been transferred out of state or is retired from active duty.

- **CSU Position:** Support
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting hearing in the Senate Education Committee

AB 1486 (Soria) – Climate Resiliency: Research Farms: Grant Program
This bill authorizes $15 million in Prop 4 funding to be made available in grants to postsecondary institutions that are designated by the CSU or UC as Agricultural Experiment Stations or Agricultural Research Institutes to develop research farms to improve climate resiliency.

- **CSU Position:** Pending
- **Status:** This bill is awaiting referral in the Senate Rules Committee

BILLS NO LONGER ADVANCING

Senate Bills

SB 60 (Seyarto) – Waiver of Tuition and Fees: California Military Department GI Bill Award Program: Extended Education Courses
This bill prohibits the CSU, and requests the UC, from charging tuition or fees for students who are veterans, along with their dependents, who choose to enroll in an extended education course if certain requirements are satisfied and the extended education course is being used to meet the requirements of an undergraduate degree program.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

SB 289 (Cervantes) – ~~Postsecondary Education:~~ Gender and Sex Discrimination Educational Oversight Office
This bill requires the Attorney General to establish a statewide Gender and Sex Discrimination Educational Oversight Office to serve as a point of contact for students who are dissatisfied with their campus-based policies or investigative procedures and to establish a process to investigate complaints.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

Assembly Bills

AB 95 (Fong) – California Education Interagency Council
This bill establishes the California Education Interagency Council, composed of specified state officers for purposes of evaluating workforce and economic changes in the state, integrating and aligning education and employment systems, maximizing funding impact, supporting adult skill development, coordinating regional education and workforce needs, and serving as a forum for discussions of intersegmental and cross-sector policy issues.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

AB 326 (Kalra) – CSU Audits
This bill requires an external financial audit of each university of the CSU to be conducted once every three years, and that all audits of the CSU or its universities, including internal audits, be available to the public.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

AB 335 (Gipson) – The Designation of California Black-Serving Institutions Grant Program
ThisThe bill would annually appropriate $75 million from the General Fund to the Designation of California Black-Serving Institutions (BSI) Grant Program Fund for purposes of awarding grants to CSU universities and community college districts that apply for grants.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking

AB 530 (Hart) – CSU: Fiscal Transparency Act of 2025
This bill requires the CSU, on or before July 2027, to include information on its website on each expenditure of state funds that exceeds $10,000 in a format that allows the public to search and aggregate information, along with a feature allowing the public to make recommendations on how information is provided to the public.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

AB 556 (Patterson) – Waiver of Campus-Based Fees: Veterans
This bill prohibits public higher education segments from charging recipients of the CalVet fee waiver mandatory campus-based fees.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

AB 718 (Tangipa) – Public Postsecondary Education: Labor Market Outcome and Student Loan Data
This bill requires the CSU, and requests the UC, to include average salary data and student loan payment data for students' intended area of study on their admissions letter.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

AB 791 (Berman) – Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program: Cost of Attendance
This bill requires postsecondary institutions to make specified changes to their cost of attendance policy, including the methodology for calculating the off-campus student housing budget, and requires that the review of a student's adjustment request be completed within 14 days.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

AB 844 (Essayli) – Sex-Segregated School and Athletic Programs and Activities: Use of Facilities
This bill, applying to local educational agencies and postsecondary institutions, requires a student's participation in sex-segregated athletic programs and activities, and use of facilities, including bathrooms, locker rooms, showers, overnight accommodations and student housing at a postsecondary institution be based on the student's sex.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking

AB 850 (Pacheco) – Institutional Debt Transparency Act
This bill requires the CSU and CCC, and requests the UC, to report annually on the status of students' institutional debt and to offer students a one-time exemption to re-enroll or register for classes without first addressing their institutional debt.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

AB 885 (Solache) – College Access for All Fund
This bill establishes the Debt Free College at the UC and the CSU Fund in the State Treasury and requires~~would require~~ all moneys in the fund to be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the UC and the CSU for purposes of lowering the cost of undergraduate attendance, either through tuition reductions or loan repayment programs.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking

AB 958 (Sharp- Collins) – Trustees of the CSU: Gubernatorial Faculty Appointees
This bill adds two members to the CSU Board of Trustees (increasing the board to 27 members), by adding one additional member appointed by the Governor and one additional faculty member, also appointed by the Governor.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

AB 1082 (Flora) – Nursing: Students in Out-of-State Nursing Programs
This bill allows out-of-state nursing schools to secure in-state clinical placements for nursing students who reside in California.

- **CSU Position:** Oppose

AB 1241 (Schiavo) – Pay-it-Forward, Pay it Back Pilot Program: Study
This bill requires the California Student Aid Commission, in partnership with the Legislative Analyst's Office, to conduct a study on the potential effects of enacting a pilot program in future legislation that would provide a new way of financing students' cost of attendance at the three public segments, wherein participants would agree to pay a percentage of their annual adjusted gross income after graduation or disenrollment and subsequent employment rather than pay upfront tuition, fees, and room and board.

- **CSU Position:** Pending

AB 1453 (Tangipa) – ~~Public Postsecondary Education:~~ Student Health: Contraception and Emergency Contraception Information
This bill requires the CSU and UC universities to provide comprehensive information on adoption in each location on campus where contraception is available, including when birth control is provided to students through the student health center or pharmacy.

- **CSU Position:** Tracking

AB 1462 (Hart) – ~~Public Postsecondary Education:~~ Community Colleges: Baccalaureate Degree Program: Allan Hancock College
This bill provides Allan Hancock Community College District an individual exemption from AB 927 (Medina, 2021) and authorizes the college to offer duplicative baccalaureate degree programs.

- **CSU Position:** Pending