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AB 295 (Jones-Sawyer) – Public postsecondary education: pilot program for free cost of attendance: working group.

Official ASCCC Position/Resolutions: The ASCCC has long supported reducing the cost of college.

AB 1187 (Irwin) – Community colleges: tutoring. Would make supervised tutoring eligible for state apportionment funding.

Official ASCCC Position/Resolutions: Support as of 2/5/22

AB 1232 (McCarty) – Community colleges: nonresident tuition fees: English as a second language courses. Would exclude ESL courses from nonresident tuition.

Official ASCCC Position/Resolutions: The ASCCC has long supported reducing the cost of college.

AB 1505 (Rodriguez) – Community colleges: full-time faculty obligation. Would allow more local control over the FON (based on FTES growth).

Official ASCCC Position/Resolutions: Support as of 2/5/22.

AB 1606 (Irwin) – Public postsecondary education: veterans: waiver of mandatory systemwide tuition and fees. Would expand current laws to include dependents, married partners, and non-married partners of veterans who were killed in action or otherwise disabled as a direct result of military service.

Official ASCCC Position/Resolutions: Support as of 2/5/22.

AB 1705 (Irwin) – Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012: matriculation: assessment. This bill would make findings and declarations of the Legislature's intent to continue to increase California community college student placement and enrollment in transfer-level English and mathematics. The bill would require that high school transcript data be used as the primary means for determining placement in transfer-level English and transfer-level mathematics courses, and would limit the use of multiple measures by colleges in the placement and enrollment of students.

Official ASCCC Position/Resolutions: Resolution S17 06.04 Oppose Limiting Local Implementation of Multiple Measures.

AB 1746 (Medina) – Student financial aid: Cal Grant Reform Act.

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The ASCCC has supported the expansion of Cal Grants

AB 2122 (Choi) – Public postsecondary education: mental health hotlines: student identification cards.

Official ASCCC Position/Resolutions The ASCCC supports and advocates for funding for mental health resources and services.

AB 2266 (Santiago) – Community colleges: California college promise: fee waiver eligibility. Would allow students who are not first-time students and students who have already earned degrees and certificates to qualify for the fee waiver.

No ASCCC position yet.

AB 2624 (Kalra) – Public postsecondary education: course materials. Would require CCCs to publish the textbook and materials costs for at least 75% of courses.

No ASCCC position yet.

SR 45 (Min, 2021) - Relative to Academic Freedom.

Official ASCCC Position/Resolutions: Support as of 2/5/22. The ASCCC has long supported academic freedom.

AB 1602 (McCarty) – Student, faculty, and staff housing: California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund Act of 2022.

AB 1719 (Ward) – Housing: Teacher Housing Act of 2016: faculty and community college district employees.

Both Assembly Bills above are related to increasing housing access and affordability for students, faculty, and staff within the CCCs.

No ASCCC position yet.

AB 1752 (Santiago) – Community colleges: part-time employees. (Pay parity).

AB 1856 (Medina) – Community colleges: part-time employees. (increase maximum hours to 85% of full-time).

Both Assembly Bills above relate to part-time (adjunct) faculty equity.

No ASCCC position yet.

AB 1913 (Bryan) – Los Angeles Community College District: California Center for Climate Change Education.

Is this something that we want to model within our district and campus?

AB 2315 (Arambula) – Community colleges: records: preferred or affirmed names. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that would require campuses of community college districts to implement a process by which students, staff, and faculty can declare a preferred or affirmed name to be used in their records where legal names are not required by law.

No ASCCC position yet.

AB 2371 (Santiago) – Public postsecondary education: California State University: tuition. This bill would prohibit the charging of tuition or mandatory systemwide fees for enrollment at a campus of the California State University for any academic year, for up to 2 academic years, to a California Community College resident transfer student who has completed an associate degree for transfer and has received a fee waiver, as provided.

No ASCCC position yet.

AB 2820 (Medina) – The California Online Community College. This bill would make the California Online Community College Act inoperative on January 1, 2024. On or before January 1, 2024, the bill would appropriate the California Online Community College's funding for specified purposes at the California Community Colleges, as provided.

No ASCCC position yet.