

Exhibit 8

Information/Action Item

Update on state issues and legislation on bills and initiatives affecting
Commission programs

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – COMMISSION BILLS
As of September 6, 2013

SB 141

AUTHOR: Correa (D)

TITLE: College Education Benefits: Children of Deported Parent

INTRODUCED: 1/29/2013

LAST AMEND: 9/3/2013

LOCATION: Assembly Third Reading File

Summary: Exempts a student whose parent was deported or was permitted to depart voluntarily, from nonresident tuition at the California Community Colleges and the California State University. Requests the Regents of the University of California (UC) to enact regulations and procedures to exempt similarly situated students at the UC.

Commentary: Senate Education Committee amendments removed state financial aid from the benefits that these students can receive. The Committee amendments are basically a one-year fix for residency/nonresident tuition exemption. The Committee's rationale for removing state benefits were that any CA resident leaving the state then returning would need to be in the state for one year before becoming eligible for state financial aid.

Assembly Floor amendments on September 6th make the enactment of SB 141 contingent on the enactment of SB 150 (next page).

Commission Position: Support. This bill, as amended, limits the exemption provided for these students. The amendments to this bill do not alter the Commission's rationale for support.

Other Support Includes:

American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees
California Catholic Conference
California Communities United Institute
California Federation of Teachers
California Teachers Association
Faculty Association of California Community Colleges

Votes in Senate:

Senate Education	8-0-1
Senate Appropriations	7-0-0
Senate Floor	35-1-3

Votes in Assembly:

Assembly Higher Education	11-0-2
Assembly Appropriations	14-1-2

California Student Aid Commission

SB 150

AUTHOR: Lara (D)

TITLE: Concurrent Enrollment in Community College: Tuition

INTRODUCED: 1/31/2013

LAST AMEND: 7/1/2013

LOCATION: Assembly Third Reading File

Summary: Authorizes a community college to exempt a concurrent enrollment pupil attending a community college as a special part-time student from paying nonresident tuition at the community college.

Commentary: This bill allows community college districts to exempt a special admit from all or part of the tuition fee charged to nonresident students. This measure has the practical effect of providing undocumented high school pupils similar rights conveyed through AB 540 law for postsecondary students.

Assembly Floor amendments on September 6th make the enactment of SB 150 contingent on the enactment of SB 141 (previous page).

Commission Position: Support

Other Support Includes:

Los Angeles Community College District (source)
Associated Students University of California, Davis
California Catholic Conference
California Federation of Teachers
California Immigrant Policy Center
Faculty Association of California Community Colleges
Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities
Los Angeles Unified School District
Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund
National Association of Social Workers-California
National Council of La Raza
Peralta Community College District
Rio Hondo Community College District
San Diego Community College District
San Francisco Unified School District
University of California Student Association
Youth Justice Coalition

Votes in Senate:

Senate Education	7-0-2
Senate Floor	30-1-7

Votes in Assembly:

Assembly Higher Education	8-0-5
Assembly Floor	52-14-12

California Student Aid Commission

SB 284

AUTHOR: De Leon (D)

TITLE: Income Taxes: Credits: Contributions to Education Funds

INTRODUCED: 2/14/2013

LAST AMEND: 8/13/2013

LOCATION: Assembly Third Reading File

Summary: SB 284 amends the Personal Income Tax and Corporation Tax laws to establish the College Access Tax Credit Fund (Fund) in the State Treasury and allow specified tax credits to taxpayers for contributions to the Fund beginning on or after January 1, 2014 and before January 1, 2017. The intent of the Fund is to provide funding for the Cal Grant B program. The bill requires the State Educational Facilities Authority to allocate and certify the tax credits to taxpayers, provide the Franchise Tax Board a copy of each credit certificate by March 1st of the year following, and to adopt necessary implementing regulations.

Commission Position: None. The enactment of SB 285 is contingent on the enactment of SB 284.

Other Support Includes:

California Community College Association of Student Trustees

California Competes

California State Student Association

Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce

Los Angeles Community College District

NAACP California

National Council of La Raza

Public Advocates Inc.

Southern California College Access Network

Student Senate for California Community Colleges

The Campaign for College Opportunity

The Institute for College Access & Success

University of California Student Association

Young Invincibles

Votes in Senate:

Senate Governance and Finance	7-0-0
Senate Appropriations	7-0-0
Senate Floor	39-0-0

Votes in Assembly:

Assembly Revenue and Taxation	9-0-0
Assembly Appropriations	16-1-0
Assembly Floor	

California Student Aid Commission

SB 285

AUTHOR: De Leon (D)

TITLE: Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program

INTRODUCED: 2/14/2013

LAST AMEND: 5/21/2013

LOCATION: Assembly Third Reading File

Summary: SB 285 requires the Treasurer to certify the amount of moneys available for distribution from the College Access Tax Credit Fund (Fund) by April 1st prior to the Cal Grant award year. This measure provides that the Student Aid Commission shall determine the amount of the Cal Grant B Access supplement supported by the distribution from the Fund. The bill also requires that the award amount supplement be requested in a budget change proposal (BCP) to be considered in the annual State Budget Act.

Commentary: The bill provides that the Cal Grant B Access appropriation in the Budget Act may not drop below the 2012 level and that the Cal Grant B Access supplement, when combined with the annual appropriation in the Budget Act, may not exceed \$5,000. According to an analysis of the proposed Fund, it appears that a supplement of approximately \$1,500 will be available to support a total Cal Grant B Access award of approximately \$3,000 for the first year (2015-16). Any unused appropriations in any year will be returned to the Fund for use in the following year(s). The latest amendment to SB 285 provides that Commission administrative costs shall be covered by the Fund.

Commission Position: Support

Other Support Includes:

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Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities

California Catholic Conference

California Community College Association of Student Trustees

California Competes

California State Student Association

Community College League of California

Faculty Association of California Community Colleges

Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce

Los Angeles Community College District

NAACP California

National Council of La Raza

Public Advocates

Southern California College Access Network

Student Senate for California Community Colleges

The Campaign for College Opportunity

The Education Trust – West

The Institute for College Access and Success

University of California Student Association

Young Invincibles

Votes in Senate:	
Senate Education	9-0-0
Senate Appropriations	6-0-1
Senate Floor	39-0-0

Votes in Assembly:	
Assembly Higher Education	12-0-1
Assembly Appropriations	16-0-1
Assembly Floor	

California Student Aid Commission

SB 595

AUTHOR: Calderon R (D)

TITLE: Postsecondary Education: Financial Aid

INTRODUCED: 2/22/2013

LAST AMEND: 4/22/2013

LOCATION: Signed by Governor on September 6, 2013

Summary: This measure prohibits each campus of the California Community Colleges and the California State University and requests that each campus of the University of California prior to entering into a contract with a bank, credit union or financial institutions that requires a student to open an account as a condition of receiving their financial aid disbursement. The bill also requires campuses to provide the option of receiving a disbursement via direct deposit into an account of the student's choosing within one day of the funds being transferred to a contractor.

Other Support Includes:

California Bankers Association

California Credit Union League

California State Student Association

CALPIRG

Student Senate for California Community Colleges.

Votes in Senate:

Senate Education	9-0-0
Senate Floor	39-0-0

Votes in Assembly:

Assembly Higher Education	12-0-1
Assembly Appropriations	17-0-0
Assembly Floor	78-0-0

California Student Aid Commission

AB 1287

AUTHOR: Quirk-Silva (D)

TITLE: Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program Eligibility

INTRODUCED: 2/22/2013

LAST AMEND: 7/9/2013

LOCATION: Senate Third Reading File

Summary: Relates to Cal Grant Program renewal income/asset/minimum financial need eligibility requirements.

Commentary: The bill currently does the following:

1. Renewal recipients that were disqualified and withdrawn from the Cal Grant Program in 2011-12, 2012-13, and 2013-14 due to failing the three financial tests required from SB 70 (2011) can reapply, and if they meet the three financial tests over the next three years, can be reinstated in the program (Entitlement or Competitive) that the participants were in before withdrawal.
2. Commencing in 2014-15, renewals failing to meet the three financial tests would be placed on unpaid status reserve (rather than being withdrawn outright) for a maximum of four years. After four years of unpaid reserve status, the participant will be disqualified from the Cal Grant Program.

Commission Position: The Commission took a position of SUPPORT on this measure on April 26th. The bill's intent was to reverse the 2011 budget actions taken to eliminate Cal Grant renewal students exceeding the financial eligibility standards set for new applicants. The amendments to this bill do not alter the Commission's rationale for support.

Other Support Includes:

University of California Student Association (sponsor)
California Community College Association of Student Trustees
California State Student Association
Student Senate for California Community Colleges
The Institute for College and Access and Success

Votes in Assembly:

Assembly Higher Education	12-0-1
Assembly Appropriations	17-0-0
Assembly Floor	78-0-1

Votes in Senate:

Senate Education	9-0-0
Senate Appropriations	7-0-0
Senate Floor	

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