

# **2023 End-of-Session Legislative Report** October 18, 2023

#### INTRODUCTION

Saturday, October 14, 2023 was the final day for the Governor to sign or veto bills that made it to his desk. A total of three thousand and thirty pieces of legislation were introduced during the first year of the 2023-24 legislative session. The California Faculty Association (CFA) sponsored or co-sponsored eight pieces of legislation and took positions on one hundred and twenty-one bills.

Of the eight CFA sponsored/co-sponsored bills, two (AB 1123 – parental leave and SB 808 – CSU Title IX reporting) passed out of the Legislature to the Governor's desk for his consideration. SB 808 was signed into law, and AB 1123 was vetoed. Six of CFA's sponsored/co-sponsored bills did not make it out of the Legislature (AB 238 – grants for student teachers, AB 644 – campus climate surveys, AB 672 – task force on diversifying the teaching workforce, AB 1255 – task force on ethnic studies credentials, SB 11 – mental health services for students and SB 252 – pension systems divestment from fossil fuels). You can find bill summaries, status and other information in the End of Session Legislative Report linked below.

#### **Issue Areas**

Budget	Education/Student	Law Enforcement Reform	Racial & Social Justice	Union Representation
15	49	13	93	12

#### 2023 End-of-Session Legislative Statistics

Bills Introduced during the 2023 Legislative Session	
3,030	

Tracked Legislation				
Sponsor/Co-Sponsor	8			
Support	115			
Oppose	6			
Total	129			

Final Status (End-of-Session)			
Signed into Law/Adopted	33		
Vetoed	16		
Held in Legislature	80		
Total	129		

Outcome of Bills by Position				
Position	Introduced	Signed Into Law	Vetoed	Held in Legislature
Sponsored/	8	1	1	6
Co-Sponsored				
Supported	115	31	15	69
Opposed	6	1	0	5
Total	129 (100%)	33 (26%)	16 (12%)	80 (62%)

Positions by Issue Areas					
Position	Budget	Education/Student	Law Enforcement Reform	Racial & Social Justice	Union Representation
Sponsored/ Co-Sponsored	1	6	0	7	0
Supported	14	41	12	81	12
Opposed	0	2	1	5	0
Total	15	49	13	93	12

Outcome of Bills by Issue Areas					
Issue Areas	Introduced	Signed Into Law	Vetoed	Held in Legislature	
Budget	15	0	0	15	
Education/Student	49	15	2	32	
Law Enforcement	13	6	0	7	
Reform					
Racial & Social	93	26	13	54	
Justice					
Union Representation	12	4	6	2	
Total*	182	51	21	110	

<sup>\*</sup>Some bills address multiple issue areas, hence total of 182 rather than the total of position bills [129].

# **CFA Sponsored Bills**

# • California Student Teacher Support Grant Program: Assembly Bill 238 (Muratsuchi)

Position: Sponsor

Final Status: AB 238 passed off of the Senate Appropriations Committee Suspense File on

September 1, 2023 on a 7-0 vote. The bill was subsequently moved to the Inactive File

on the Senate Floor on September 7, 2023.

#### Teacher Credentialing Task Force: Assembly Bill 672 (Jackson)

Position: Sponsor

Final Status: AB 672 passed off of the Assembly Floor on May 31, 2023 on an

80-0 vote. The hearing for the bill in the Senate Education Committee was canceled at

the request of the author on July 5, 2023. The bill now becomes a two-year bill.

# • Parental Leave for California State University (CSU) Employees: Assembly Bill 1123 (Addis and Cervantes)

Position: Sponsor

Final Status: The bill was vetoed by the Governor's on October 7, 2023.

• Ethnic Studies Credentialing Task Force: Assembly Bill 1255 (Carrillo)

Position: Sponsor

Final Status: AB 1255 was scheduled to be heard in the Assembly Education Committee on April

12, 2023 but was pulled by the author to continue work on the bill. The bill now

becomes a two-year bill.

• California State University (CSU) Mental Health Counseling: Senate Bill 11 (Menjivar)

Position: Sponsor

Final Status: SB 11 was set for a hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee on August 23,

2023 but was canceled by the author. The bill now becomes a two-year bill.

#### **CFA Co-Sponsored Bills**

• Public Postsecondary Education Hate Crimes Surveys: Assembly Bill 644 (Jones-Sawyer)

Position: Co-Sponsor

Final Status: AB 644 was referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee but was pulled by

the author to continue work on the bill. The bill now becomes a two-year bill.

• Divestment from Fossil Fuels: Senate Bill 252 (Gonzalez, Stern and Wiener)

Position: Co-Sponsor

Final Status: SB 252 passed off the Senate Floor on May 25, 2023 on a 23-10-7 vote. Subsequently,

the bill was referred to the Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee on June 8, 2023 but has not been set for a hearing by the chair of the Committee. The

bill now becomes a two-year bill.

• California State University Annual Report: Sexual Harassment Reports: Formal Sexual Harassment Complaints: Senate Bill 808 (Dodd)

Position: Co-Sponsor

Final Status: SB 808 passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee on August 16, 2023 on

a consent vote. Subsequently, the bill passed off of the Assembly Floor on September

1, 2023 on a consent vote. The bill was signed into law on October 7, 2023.

#### **Other Bills of Interest:**

• Fast Food Industry Minimum Wage: Assembly Bill 1228 (Holden)

Position: Support

Final Status: The bill was signed into law on September 28, 2023.

# • Climate Corporate Data Accountability Act: Senate Bill 253 (Wiener)

Position: Support

Final Status: The bill was signed into law on October 7, 2023.

# • Discrimination on the Basis of Ancestry: Senate Bill 403 (Wahab)

Position: Support

Final Status: The bill was vetoed on October 7, 2023.

# • Minimum Wage for Health Care Workers: Senate Bill 525 (Durazo)

Position: Support

Final Status: The bill was signed into law on October 13, 2023.

### Health Care Coverage: Hearing Aids: Senate 635 (Menjivar)

Position: Support

Final Status: The bill was vetoed by the Governor on October 7, 2023.

#### • Unemployment Insurance for striking workers: Senate Bill 799 (Portantino)

Position: Support

Final Status: The bill was vetoed by the Governor on September 30, 2023.

# **Legislative Links**

Live links to Legislative Reports are now available via Abstract. Reports are updated in real-time, which provide the most up-to-date information regarding the CFA bill package.

Sponsored/Co-Sponsored Bills Legislative Report End-of-Session Legislative Report

These links can also be found on the <u>CFA Legislation</u> webpage. Should you have any questions regarding the CFA bill package, please feel free to reach out.

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