



## 2025 Legislative Priorities

### Sponsored/Co-Sponsored Bills

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#### INTRODUCTION

The California Faculty Association (CFA), which represents over 29,000 faculty, including tenure-track professors, lecture faculty, librarians, counselors, and coaches from all 23 campuses of the California State University (CSU) system, is proud to be sponsoring three (3) bills and co-sponsoring four (4) bills. All legislative proposals would bring transparency and accountability to the CSU while creating a more inclusive environment for faculty and students. CFA is also opposing one (1) bill.

#### SPONSORED BILLS

- **Assembly Bill 977 (Ramos): California Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 2001: California State University: burial sites: human remains** would require the California State University (CSU) system, in consultation with Native American tribes to develop a policy to identify available CSU-owned land for the burial of Native American human remains and establish three tribal burial sites – one in the Northern, Central and Southern regions of the state.
  - **Passed the Assembly Floor on 6/02/25.**
  - **Status: on the Senate side, referred to Education Committee.**
- **Senate Bill 307 (Cervantes): Public postsecondary education: immigration enforcement** would require the CSU to adopt a systemwide policy addressing course grades, administrative withdrawal, and reenrollment for undocumented students who are detained, deported, or unable to attend courses due to the actions of immigration authorities in relation to a federal immigration order.
  - **Passed the Assembly Floor on 6/02/25.**
  - **Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee, hearing date set for 06/24/25.**
- **Assembly Bill 958 (Sharp-Collins): Trustees of the California State University: Gubernatorial and Faculty Appointees** would ensure better faculty representation by adding an additional faculty member to the CSU Board of Trustees, appointed by the Governor. The bill would add two additional trustees, with one being a faculty member.
  - **Moved to the Inactive File.**
  - **Status: 2-Year Bill.**
- **~~Assembly Bill 326 (Kalra): California State University: Audits~~** would require an external audit of each campus of the CSU to be conducted at least once every 3 years. The bill would increase transparency and accountability by requiring all audits of the CSU or any of its campuses, including audits conducted by the university's internal audit staff, to be publicly available.
  - **Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee.**
  - **Status: Dead.**
- **~~Assembly Bill 530 (Hart): CSU Transparency Act of 2025~~** would increase transparency and accountability by requiring the California State University to post expenditures over \$10,000 on its website, in a format that allows the public to search and aggregate that information, by July 1, 2027.
  - **Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee.**
  - **Status: Dead.**

## CO-SPONSORED BILLS

- **Senate Bill 98 (Pérez): The *Sending Alerts to Families in Education (SAFE) Act*** would give students, parents, and campus communities clear and timely information if immigration enforcement operations target schools and institutions of higher education. This bill would mandate schools and college campuses to immediately notify all students, parents, faculty, staff, and other community members if immigration officers are present on the premises, similar to early warning systems in place for emergency alerts.
  - **Passed the Senate Floor on 6/02/25.**
  - **Status: on the Assembly side, double-referred to Higher Education and Education Committees.**
- **Assembly Bill 7 (Bryan): *Postsecondary education: admissions preference: descendants of formerly enslaved people*** would state that the CSU, the UC, independent institutions of higher education, and private postsecondary educational institutions may consider providing a preference in admissions to an applicant who is a descendant of a formerly enslaved person.
  - **Passed the Assembly Floor on 6/03/25.**
  - **Status: on the Senate side, double-referred to Education and Judiciary Committees.**
- **Assembly Bill 340 (Ahrens): *Employer-Employee Relations: Confidential Communications*** would prohibit public employers from coercing union representatives and interfering in the representation of union members by questioning union representatives and members regarding communications made in confidence between an employee and an employee representative in connection with a union representational matter.
  - **Passed the Assembly Floor on 6/03/25.**
  - **Status: on the Senate side, double-referred to Labor, Public Employment and Retirement & Judiciary Committees.**
- **Assembly Bill 1128 (Muratsuchi): *California Student Teacher Support Grant Program*** would create a grant program to compensate student teachers to help alleviate financial stress at a critical time in the teacher preparation process. The program would award grants to teaching credential candidates to compensate them while they perform the required student teaching. The bill would require stipends for each student teacher to be equal to the daily substitute teacher rate for the applicant's local educational agency.
  - **Passed the Assembly Floor on 6/03/25.**
  - **Status: Senate Education Committee, hearing date set for 06/25/25.**
- **Assembly Bill 335 (Gipson): ~~The Designation of California Black-Serving Institutions Grant Program~~** would establish the Designation of California Black-Serving Institutions Grant Program as a competitive grant program to develop and implement new, or expand existing, academic resources and student support services for underserved students, including, but not limited to, Black and African American students.
  - **Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee.**
  - **Status: Dead.**

## OPPOSE BILLS

- **AB 715 (Zbur): *Educational Equity: discrimination*** intends to put into place a system and process that, in this politically polarized climate, will facilitate local-level “citizen policing” that will undoubtedly cause harm. The policing of content related to issues of diversity, equity and inclusion including subjects related to Ethnic Studies, through the supervision of an “Anti-Semitism Coordinator” poses four significant dangers that the bill poses to democratic and constitutional rights.
  - **Passed the Assembly Floor on 5/29/25.**
  - **Status: on the Senate side, awaiting committee referral.**

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