

## Significant Failed Legislation

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### **AB 2077 Fuentes (D)**

Summary: Requires the English language annual assessment to be conducted during a specified period commencing with the day upon which a specified percentage of the instructional year is completed. Requires the State Department of Education to release sample questions from the test for the purpose of instruction and to provide the score a pupil achieves to the parent or guardian of the pupil in English and the language reported on the home language survey. Authorizes the use of a scoring machine by a school district.

Status: 08/07/2008 - In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Not heard.

Position: Support

### **AB 2159 Brownley (D)**

Summary: Establishes the Funding and Accountability Commission for Transparency and Simplicity to provide state policymakers with a funding transition from the current education finance system to a comprehensive system. Requires the Commission to develop a simple and transparent funding formula for districts, Special Education Local Plan Areas, and county offices of education, and to recommend how to transition to the new system with minimal disruptions. Requires elements to create or modify a related data system.

Status: 08/30/2008 - Withdrawn from SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.;08/30/2008 - Referred to SENATE Committee on RULES.

Position: Support

### **AB 2274 Krekorian (D)**

Summary: Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to adopt a plan to measure the quality of administrators in public schools. Includes evaluations by teachers of the administrators performances. Prohibits school districts from staffing schools in deciles 1 to 3 with low-performing administrators. Requires the Superintendent to allocate funds to the lowest performing administrators.

Status: 03/05/2008 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on EDUCATION.

Position: Oppose

### **AB 2314 Fuentes (D)**

Summary: Requires the Governor to appoint a task force to make recommendations on how to maximize the number of Californians counted in the 2010 census and to implement a census outreach program.

Status: 03/05/2008 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION.

Position: Support

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### **AB 2361 Keene (R)**

Summary: Enacts the Safe School Guarantee, under which a parent may remove his or her child from an unsafe school if a suspension of a pupil for any of several specified offenses has occurred. Requires a school district to report a suspension or expulsion of a pupil for any of the specified offenses.

Requires an unsafe school to take steps toward securing that school's campus.

Status: 04/02/2008 - In ASSEMBLY Committee on EDUCATION: Failed passage.

Position: Oppose

### **AB 2378 Houston (R)**

Summary: Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction, for the 2009-10 year, to compute an equalization of average daily attendance adjustment for each school district pursuant to the same formula used for the 2008-09 fiscal year. Appropriates a specified amount of funds from the General Fund to the Superintendent to be applied in the 2009-10 fiscal year, toward the minimum funding requirements for school and community college districts.

Status: 04/16/2008 - In ASSEMBLY Committee on EDUCATION: Failed passage.

Position: Support

### **AB 2457 Walters (R)**

Summary: Establishes a new online classroom pilot program substantially equivalent to the ratio of teachers to pupils in traditional in-classroom study of the same subject matter. Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to contract with an independent evaluator to assess the academic benefits of pupil participation in online courses and comparisons of the performance of pupils in the program and those pupils not in the program and to submit a related report.

Status: 05/22/2008 - In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Heard, remains in Committee.

Position: Support

### **AB 2605 Nakanishi (R)**

Summary: Authorizes a tax credit for each dependent of a taxpayer who is exempt from the requirement to attend a public full-time day school during the taxable year.

Status: 05/12/2008 - In ASSEMBLY Committee on REVENUE AND TAXATION: Heard, remains in Committee.

Position: Oppose

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### **AB 2725 La Malfa (R)**

Summary: Authorizes the Controller, during the 2008-09 fiscal year, to issue loans from the General Fund to a county, school district, a county superintendent of schools on behalf of a school district, or a community college district that has requested that loan in order to provide short-term relief to the county, school district, or community college district based on a delay in the receipt of federal forest reserve funding. Provides procedures for granting and repayment of loans.

Status: 05/22/2008 - In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Heard, remains in Committee.

Position: Support

### **AB 2776 Mullin (D)**

Summary: Requires an advisory committee to make recommendations on the Superintendent of Public Instruction for the establishment of a methodology for generating a measurement of academic performance using unique pupil identifiers and for developing a longitudinally valid assessment system in which annual academic growth can provide a more accurate and valid measure of a school's academic achievement growth and a student's academic achievement growth over time. Requires Superintendent to forward recommendations.

Status: 08/07/2008 - In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Not heard.

Position: Support

### **AB 2783 Plescia (R)**

Summary: Relates to foster children. Requires a local educational agency to determine whether a pupil who is placed in a rate classification level 12, 13, or 14 group home or a community treatment facility is eligible for special education services and to complete an individual education plan within a specified time period, from the date of receipt of the assessment plan prepared for the pupil and signed by the person with the right to make educational decisions for the pupil.

Status: 08/29/2008 - In SENATE. Read third time. Failed to pass SENATE.

Position: Oppose

### **AB 2831 Fuller (R)**

Summary: Authorizes a school district or county office of education to transfer any and all of the unencumbered available balance of State categorical program funding to the general fund of that district or office for encumbrance and expenditure, for any appropriate purpose determined by its governing body, except for the expansion of existing programs or for increasing the salaries of that agency's personnel for fiscal years.

Status: 04/02/2008 - In ASSEMBLY Committee on EDUCATION: Heard, remains in Committee.

Position: Support

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### **AB 2832 Fuller (R)**

Summary: Authorizes school districts to deposit a minimum amount of the total general fund expenditures of the school district for respective fiscal years. Prohibits funds diverted to another purpose under this bill from being expended or encumbered for the expansion of existing programs or for increasing the salaries of a school district's personnel .

Status: 04/02/2008 - In ASSEMBLY Committee on EDUCATION: Not heard.

Position: Support with Amendments

### **AB 2995 Davis (D)**

Summary: Amends the Field Act to require the Department of General Services to provide for inspection during construction or alteration of educational facilities, except when a project is located within the jurisdiction of a school district, city, county, city and county, or other political subdivision that directly employs inspectors performing all of the inspection functions for that project. Requires the school district or community college district to reimburse the actual cost of performing the inspections.

Status: 04/07/2008 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS with author's amendments.;04/07/2008 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS.

Position: Oppose

### **AB 3008 Villines (R)**

Summary: Provides that, with respect to school district claimants, for a mandate for which the costs of a school district claimant have been determined in a preceding fiscal year to be payable by the state, the Legislature shall appropriate, in the annual Budget Act, the full payable amount that has not been previously paid, or the mandate would be suspended by operation of law for the fiscal year for which that annual Budget Act is applicable.

Status: 04/16/2008 - In ASSEMBLY Committee on EDUCATION: Failed passage.

Position: Oppose

### **SB 1430 Torlakson (D)**

Summary: Authorizes an education finance district to impose within the district any tax that may be imposed by any charter city.

Status: 04/16/2008 - In SENATE Committee on REVENUE AND TAXATION: Failed passage.;04/16/2008 - In SENATE Committee on REVENUE AND TAXATION: Reconsideration granted.

Position: Support

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### **SB 1605 Cox (R)**

Summary: Requires the State Allocation Board to solicit bids for additional construction plans for schools and to select and purchase sets of plans in a number it determines is sufficient to address the needs of school districts. Requires the board to pay a royalty to the person or entity that prepared a purchased set of plans each time a school district uses the plans each time a school district uses the plans and to provide the plans to school districts free of charge. Relates to funds.

Status: 03/25/2008 - From SENATE Committee on EDUCATION with author's amendments.;03/25/2008 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on EDUCATION.

Position: Oppose Unless Amended

### **SB 1647 Torlakson (D)**

Summary: Declares the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to develop, implement, and fund statewide efforts to increase and enhance the level of technology used to deliver instruction in public schools.

Status: 03/06/2008 - To SENATE Committee on RULES.

Position: Support

### **SB 1672 Steinberg (D)**

Summary: Enacts the Renewable Energy, Climate Change, Career Technical Education, and Clean Technology Job Creation Bond Act. Authorizes the issuance and sale of state bonds for certain purposes including construction or reconfiguration of facilities to provide pupils with the skills and knowledge necessary for careers related to clean technology, renewable energy, or energy efficiency and loans for capital outlay projects by specified entities to provide job training and development.

Status: 08/07/2008 - In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Heard, remains in Committee.

Position: Support

### **SCA 17 Simitian (D)**

Summary: Proposes an amendment to the constitution to authorize a school district, community college district, or county office of education, with the approval of its voters voting on the proposition, to impose a parcel tax. Makes conforming changes to related provision.

Status: 04/23/2008 - In SENATE Committee on REVENUE AND TAXATION: To Suspense File.

Position: Support

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### **SCA 18 Torlakson (D)**

Summary: Proposes an amendment to the Constitution to condition the imposition of a special tax by an education finance district established pursuant to statute upon the approval of a majority of the voters of the district voting on that tax, and makes conforming changes to related provisions.

Status: 04/16/2008 - In SENATE Committee on REVENUE AND TAXATION: To Suspense File.

Position: Support