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AB 100 -- Mullin (D)

Summary: Repeals a provision of the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998 which sets specific per-unhoused-pupil grant eligibility levels. Increases, by a certain percentage, the per-unhoused-pupil grants that were in effect pursuant to the provision and further increases these grants by a specified percentage on a specified date.

Status: 08/07/2008 - From SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass as amended.

Position: Support

AB 599 -- Mullin (D)

Summary: Relates to school district base revenue limit, the calculation of an add-on for each district, a specified school district revenue limit, the creation of a specified high school attendance area, school district revenue limits and funds for the Meals for Needy Pupils program, district revenue limits that may be raised due to Unemployment Insurance expenditures, funding for qualifying small school districts, the continuance of a specified teacher salary incentive program, and average daily attendance funding.

Status: 08/07/2008 - From SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass as amended.

Position: Support

AB 876 -- Davis (D)

Summary: Requests the California State University, and the University of California to take certain actions with respect to the recognition of career technical education coursework in connection with the admissions criteria of the respective universities.

Status: 08/06/2008 - In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

Position: Support

AB 1889 -- Berg (D)

Summary: Relates to a 4-day school week. Extends an authorization and related requirements, including that participating schools achieve their API growth targets in order to maintain the authorization, to the Potter Valley Community Unified School District. Authorizes the Superintendent of Public Instruction to waive minimum time and 5-consecutive-day program operating requirements for schools operating requirements for schools operating a 4-day week. Provides for a related report to various entities.

Status: 08/06/2008 - In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

Position: Support

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

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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: 07/14/2008 - In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense File.

Position: Support

AB 2078 -- Fuentes (D)

Summary: Authorizes school districts that maintain high schools to establish work-based learning program, and to purchase liability insurance for pupils enrolled in programs of study involving work experience, which may include work-based learning off school grounds. Defines work-based learning. Authorizes specified entities to deliver work-based learning that may include work experience education, community classrooms, cooperative career technical education and job shadowing experience.

Status: 08/07/2008 - In ASSEMBLY. ASSEMBLY concurred in SENATE amendments. To enrollment.

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: 07/14/2008 - In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense File.

Position: Support

AB 2173 -- Caballero (D)

Summary: Revises the process by which a governing board of a school district calculates the maximum fee, against school facility construction that may be collected. Provides that a governing board would no longer be required to identify and consider district surplus property as part of the governing board's analysis of school facility needs. Provides that any member of the public would be able to request a meeting with the board to discuss and understand school facilities needs analysis. Requires a board meeting.

Status: 08/07/2008 - From SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass.

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

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administrators. Requires the Superintendent to allocate funds to the lowest performing administrators.

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

Position: Oppose

AB 2300 -- Laird (D)

Summary: Amends existing law relating to direct certification for enrollment in the School Lunch and Breakfast Programs. Requires the State Department of Education to implement a process to use participation data from the Medi-Cal program to verify enrollment and to directly certify children into the school meal program. Authorizes the Department of Health Care Services to exchange the information necessary to verify eligibility. Authorizes the department to perform direct certification and enrollment of children.

Status: 08/07/2008 - From SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass.

Position: Support

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

AB 2315 -- Mullin (D)

Summary: Amends existing law that which requires the State Board of Education to adopt basic instructional materials for use in kindergarten and grades 1 to 8. Requires a public meeting to be held and a list of materials to be made available to school districts and posted on-line. Provides for submission of materials. Provides that in order to receive funding, a school district shall submit recommendations of credentialed individuals regarding review and evaluation of instructional materials and appointments.

Status: 08/07/2008 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. To third reading.

Position: Support

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

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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 2390 -- Karnette (D)

Summary: Revises provisions of existing law that relate to the Defined Benefit Plan under the State Teachers' Retirement System that relate to service credit and the amounts of postretirement compensation that may be earned in specified types of employment.

Status: 08/05/2008 - In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

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 2468 -- Brownley (D)

Summary: Adds to the procedures that the State Board of Education is required to adopt as regulations procedures to ensure that price is not considered by the Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission, but is considered by the state board and procedures to ensure that school districts, charter schools, and county superintendents of schools can purchase unbundled instructional materials and program components.

Status: 08/06/2008 - In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

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: 06/30/2008 - In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense File.

Position: Support

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

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_A

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

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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

ACR 114 -- Parra (D)

Summary: Requests the Superintendent of Public Instruction to convene a committee to investigate savings and best practices for school districts operating home-to-school transportation programs, not including special education transportation. Requests the Superintendent to invite specified representatives to become members of the committee. Requests that relevant findings or recommendations be posted on the State Department of Education's Internet Web site.

Status: 08/06/2008 - In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

Position: Support

SB 1112 -- Scott (D)

Summary: Extends the sunset date for the mitigation provisions in the Class Size Reduction Program, in which participating school districts are provided funding for each class in which the class size is reduced to a ration of 20 or fewer pupils per certified teacher in kindergarten and any of grades 1 to 3, inclusive. Extends the implementation of provisions that require the Controller to reduce funding for participating districts for failing to reduce a class size from the next apportionment or apportionments.

Status: 08/07/2008 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass.

Position: Support

SB 1251 -- Steinberg (D)

Summary: Relates to the Academic Performance Index (API). Includes 5- and 6-year graduation rates in the indicators currently reported to the department for purposes of calculating a school's API. Specifies a formula to calculate these rates. Provides that schools receive partial credit in their

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API scores for graduating pupils in 5 and 6 years, except that school would be granted full credit for graduating in 5 or 6 years pupils with disabilities who had an individual education plan (IEP). Status: 08/07/2008 - In ASSEMBLY. From Consent Calendar. To third reading.;08/07/2008 - In ASSEMBLY. Read third time and amended. To third reading.

Position: Support_with_A

SB 1330 -- Torlakson (D)

Summary: Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to establish the Statewide Education Technology Policy Task Force for the purpose of developing recommendations for a comprehensive statewide plan to increase and enhance the level of technology used to deliver instruction in public schools.

Status: 08/07/2008 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass.

Position: Support

SB 1354 -- Torlakson (D)

Summary: Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to examine and evaluate the ability of a school district to build complete schools with the funds provided by the State Allocation Board and an equal amount contributed by the district to examine the standards to ensure the standards achieve educational adequacy in the terms of the facilities necessary for a district to provide its program, assessing the level that school constructed with state money met adequacy in terms of the facilities necessary.

Status: 08/07/2008 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass.

Position: Support

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

SB 1446 -- Romero (D)

Summary: Reenacts provisions of former law which required a school district or state special school to grant a high school diploma to a pupil with a disability who was scheduled to graduate from high school, did not pass high school exit examination, did not receive a high school exit examination waiver, and met other specified criteria. Provides for retroactive application of these provisions to pupils with disabilities who are scheduled to graduate in the 2007-08 school year.

Status: 08/05/2008 - In SENATE. Action rescinded whereby SENATE concurred in ASSEMBLY amendments.;08/05/2008 - In SENATE. Ordered returned to ASSEMBLY. *****To ASSEMBLY.

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

SB 1637 -- Torlakson (D)

Summary: Provides that provisions of the State Technology Assistance Project, which provides a regionalized network of technical assistance to schools and school districts on the implementation of education technology, remain in effect through a specified date.

Status: 08/07/2008 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass.

Position: Support

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

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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

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

SJR 23 -- Aanestad (R)

Summary: Urges the 110th Congress to reauthorize and fund the federal Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000.

Status: 06/13/2008 - Chaptered by Secretary of State.;06/13/2008 - Resolution Chapter No. 61

Position: Support