

# Item 5

## (Information Item)

### Update on state and federal legislation

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**SUMMARY:**

This item provides an update on pending legislation relevant to the California Student Aid Commission's (Commission) policy priorities adopted in December 2020 or other items relevant to the Commission's programs.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This is an information item; no action is required.

**BACKGROUND:**

In the first two months of the second year of the two-year 2022 California state legislative session, several proposals have been introduced that align with the Commission's adopted policy priorities or would impact Commission programs. The attachments titled "Summary of 2022 Priority Legislation" and "Legislative Bill Matrix" outline state legislation introduced this year that are relevant to the Commission's priorities and programs, including the Cal Grant Reform Act, AB 1746 (Medina, McCarty & Leyva) that the Commission is co-sponsoring with the Fix Financial Aid Coalition of student organizations, and the Campaign for College Opportunity.

Additionally, conversations around the Build Back Better Act and federal appropriations have continued; while a federal-state partnership program toward tuition-free community colleges is no longer in discussion, there are several relevant federal policy proposals that would impact financial aid and Commission priorities.

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**ATTACHMENT(S):**

Summary of 2022 Priority Legislation  
Legislative Bill Matrix  
State and Federal Legislative Update Presentation Presented on March 9, 2022