UPDATE ON OTHER TRACKED LEGISLATION (2019-2020)

PRIORITY TRACKED TWO YEAR BILLS:

AB 843 (Rodriguez): Student financial aid: Assumption Program of Loans for Education

Status: 2-year bill, Senate Education Committee

Position: SUPPORT IF AMENDED

Summary: This bill would authorize the Commission to award 7,200 new warrants for the Assumption Program of Loans for Education (APLE) program and provide funding for this purpose.

AB 1229 (Wicks): End Foster Youth Student Hunger in California Act of 2019

Status: 2-year bill, Senate Appropriations Committee

Position: SUPPORT IF AMENDED

Summary: This bill would require the Commission to report to the Legislature, the amount of funding and the authority it would need to establish a Transition Age Foster Youth Meal Plan Program, providing grant aid to foster youth in the amount equivalent to all campus-specific fees and the cost of ten on-campus meals per week.

AB 1314 (Medina): Student financial aid: Cal Grant Reform Act

Status: 2-year bill, Senate Education Committee **Position:** SUPPORT **Summary:** Cal Grant Reform Vehicle; author has indicated they will not be moving the bill forward this year.

AB 1623 (Rivas): Teaching credential: teacher recruitment: Golden State Teacher Grant Program

Status: 2-year bill, Senate Education Committee

Position: SUPPORT AND SEEK AMENDMENTS

Summary: This bill would establish the Golden State Teacher Grant Program, under the administration of the Commission, to provide a grant to students enrolled in an approved teacher credentialing program who commits to working in a high-need field for four years. **Note: This program was enacted in a Budget Trailer Bill last year.**

<u>SB 291 (Leyva): Postsecondary education: California Community College Student Financial Aid</u> <u>Program</u>

Status: 2-year bill, Assembly Higher Education Committee

Position: SUPPORT

Summary: This bill would establish the California Community College Student Financial Aid Program, under the administration of the Board of Governors, to provide need-based grant awards to eligible community college students.

SB 461 (Roth): Student financial aid: Cal Grants: summer term students

Status: 2-year bill, Assembly Higher Education Committee

Position: SUPPORT AND SEEK AMENDMENTS

Summary: This bill would expand Cal Grant lifetime eligibility to include bonus eligibility for students taking summer coursework, for up to two (2) summer terms per student.

SB 493 (Jackson): Education: sex equity

Status: 2-year bill, Assembly Appropriations Committee

Summary: This bill would require colleges and universities that receive state funds, including funds for student financial aid via the Cal Grant program, to comply with requirements relating to the protection of students from sexual harassment.

OTHER TRACKED LEGISLATION:

AB 1862 (Santiago): Public postsecondary education: California State University: tuition

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee; failed to meet deadline (dead) **Summary:** This bill would prohibit the charging of tuition or mandatory systemwide fees for enrollment at a California State University campus for any academic year, up to two academic years, to a California Community College resident transfer student who has completed an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) or has received a fee waiver under the California College Promise Program.

AB 2016 (Calderon): Student financial aid: Student Aid Commission: total cost of attendance calculator

Status: Assembly Higher Education; failed to meet deadline (dead)

Summary: This bill would require the Student Aid Commission to develop and post on its internet website a centralized, total cost of attendance calculator for the purpose of generating estimates of the net price for prospective students attending Cal Grant participating institutions, as provided. The bill would require each Cal Grant participating institution to biennially report to the Commission cost of attendance information for purposes of the calculator.

AB 2125 (Rivas): Cal Grant eligibility

Status: Assembly Higher Education; failed to meet deadline (dead) **Summary:** Existing law prohibits a student who is incarcerated from being eligible to receive a Cal Grant award. This bill would make a person committed to or detained in a juvenile facility eligible to receive a Cal Grant award.

AB 2282 (McCarty): CalFresh: low-income students: former foster youth students

Status: Senate Education Committee

Summary This bill Would require the Trustees of the California State University and the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, and encourage the Regents of the University of California, to, no later than July 1, 2021, and in consultation with the State Department of Social Services and county human services agencies, establish a CalFresh student outreach program to provide students with a link to an internet website with information on applying for CalFresh benefits and to provide students with the name and telephone number of the CalFresh eligibility worker on their respective campus, if one is available.

AB 2416 (Gabriel): Postsecondary education: student financial aid: satisfactory academic progress

Status: Senate Education Committee

Summary: This bill would require that determinations of "satisfactory academic progress (SAP)" by the institutions participating in state aid programs consider "homelessness" as an extenuating circumstance for students who are unable to meet SAP requirements.

AB 2495 (Choi): Public postsecondary education: undergraduate tuition and mandatory systemwide fees

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee; failed to meet deadline (dead) **Summary:** This bill would require the California State University (CSU) trustees and request the University of California (UC) regents to determine the amounts of undergraduate tuition and systemwide fees for each entering first-year class at their respective segments. The bill would require that the tuition and mandatory systemwide fees set for California residents in each incoming first-year class would not be increased for at least six academic years.

AB 2819 (Limón): California Student Opportunity and Access Program

Status: Assembly Higher Education; failed to meet deadline (dead) **Position:** SPONSOR

Summary: This bill would modernize the functions and priorities of the California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal-SOAP) to reflect an enhanced focus on helping students and families: understand the true costs of college, understand college financing options, and apply for financial aid.

AB 2972 (Limón): Public postsecondary education: undocumented students

Status: Senate Education Committee

Summary: This would require the California State University (CSU) trustees and request the University of California (UC) regents to create a systemwide training program, for the administrators of those respective segments to complete annually, relating to undocumented students, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), federal and state laws related to immigration generally, and state law relating to exemption from nonresident tuition (AB 540).

AB 3057 (Rodriguez): Postsecondary education: Every Kid Counts (EKC) College Savings Program

Status: Assembly Desk; failed to meet deadline (dead) **Summary:** This bill is currently in spot bill form.

AB 3084 (Cervantes): Postsecondary education: student financial aid verification

Status: Assembly Desk; failed to meet deadline (dead)

Summary: This bill is currently in **spot bill** form and states the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would prohibit the Commission or an institution of higher education from performing a verification to establish eligibility for state financial aid on a student more than once.

AB 3086 (Bonta): Postsecondary education: student financial aid: scholarship displacement

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee; failed to meet deadline (dead) **Summary:** This bill would establish the California Ban on Scholarship Displacement Act of 2020, which would prohibit each public and private institution of higher education that receives, or benefits from, state-funded financial assistance or enrolls students who receive state-funded student financial assistance from reducing a student's institution-based financial aid award below the student's financial need.

SB 753 (Stern): CalServe

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee

Summary: This bill would establish a new state agency known as CalServe (formerly California Volunteers under the Governor's office). Additionally, this bill would establish the CalServe

Higher Education Grant Program, under the administration of the Commission, which would award annual grants to eligible students that formerly served as CalServe corps members to finance mandatory systemwide tuition and fees not covered by federal, state, or institutionally administered grants or fee waivers commencing with the 2023–24 academic year.

SB 1082 (Dodd): Student nutrition: eligibility for CalFresh benefits

Status: Senate Education committee; failed to meet deadline (dead)

Summary: This bill would require the Commission, to the extent that it possesses pertinent information, to provide written notice to students who qualify for a waiver of the community college enrollment fee that they may qualify for benefits under the CalFresh program. The bill would also require the Commission to confer with legislative staff and advocates on a quarterly basis to continuously improve the process of securing CalFresh benefits for eligible students.

<u>SB 1267 (Hertzberg): Postsecondary education: Public Interest Attorney Loan Repayment</u> <u>Program</u>

Status: Senate Rules Committee; failed to meet deadline (dead)

Summary: This bill is currently in **spot bill** form. Current law establishes the Public Interest Attorney Loan Repayment Program, under the administration of the Commission, as a student loan repayment program for licensed attorneys who practice or agree to practice in public interest areas of the law.

SB 1402 (Stern): CalServe

Status: Senate Rules Committee; failed to meet deadline (dead)

Summary: This bill would establish a new state agency known as CalServe (formerly California Volunteers under the Governor's office). Additionally, this bill would establish the CalServe Higher Education Grant Program, under the administration of the Commission, which would award annual grants to eligible students that formerly served as CalServe corps members to finance mandatory systemwide tuition and fees not covered by federal, state, or institutionally administered grants or fee waivers commencing with the 2023–24 academic year.