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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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Listed below is a brief synopsis of current legislation that has been introduced and with minor or no opposition. Please note that each bill listed has received legislative approval out of either the state Senate or Assembly by the legislative deadline of June 4 in order to continue the legislative process. For a full description of each bill, you may access this information at: www.senate.ca.gov or www.assembly.ca.gov.

ASSEMBLY BILLS

AB 10 (Garcia) -requires every public and private school to keep every restroom stocked with feminine hygiene products.

AB 185 (O'Donnell and Irwin)-Revises and recasts provisions of school district of choice option which is set to expire on July 1,2017. Revisions include: registering as a school district of choice with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the county board of education, set forth a procedure for hearing complaints or appeals by the school district of choice, and design and implement a transportation program for eligible pupils who enroll in the program.

AB 189 (Low)- requires school districts that opt to provide instruction in service learning to adopt alternative means for pupils to complete the prescribed course of study.

AB 233 (Gloria)-declares that a pupil has the right to wear religious, ceremonial or cultural adornments as defined at school graduation ceremonies.

AB 318 (Caballero)-requires a student enrolled in independent study to have visual contact with a teacher no less than once every two weeks.

AB 667 (Reyes)- Amends Ed code 48911 by stating that the student prior to suspension shall be informed of other means of correction that were attempted in accordance with provisions of ed code 48900.5

AB 1029 (Weber) would require the comprehensive school safety plan to be aligned with the school climate state priority and the local control and accountability plan(LCAP)

AB 1176 (Mullin)-Eliminates the waiver for a county office of education to provide GED instruction not to exceed one hour per day. Will allow more than one hour of day to provide GED instruction.

AB 1360 (Bonta)-requires charter school to follow all provisions of ed code 48900 and 48918 including appeal of a student expulsion to the county board of education.

AB 2306 (Frazier). Requires a county office of education to issue a diploma of graduation to a pupil who completes statewide coursework requirements for graduation while attending a juvenile court school

SENATE BILLS

SB 26 (Leyva)- Authorizes a registered sex offender who does not have the right to make educational decisions for a pupil who attends the school to enter a school or building upon school grounds to conduct lawful business only when pupils are not present.

SB 233(Beall)-Authorizes a case management worker, caregiver and foster family agency to access student records.

SB 250 (Hertzberg)-Requires and LEA to develop a plan to ensure that a pupil whose parent or guardian has unpaid school meal fees is not shamed or treated differently than a pupil whose parent or guardian does not have unpaid school meal fees. Prohibits school personnel from taking disciplinary action against the student that directly results in denying or delaying a nutritionally adequate meal to the pupil.

SB 257 (Lara)-provides that a pupil complies with the residency requirement for school attendance in a school district if her or she is a pupil whose parent or parents were residents of the state and were removed or voluntarily departed.

SB 328 (Portantino)- Will require that the schoolday for middle schools and high schools begin no earlier than 8:30 a.m.

SB 455(Newman)-would require a military family to provide proof of residency to a school district within ten days after the date of enrollment on official documentation.

SB 557 (Hernandez)- Exempts prohibition of specified food that food service staff, pupils and faculty return to a sharing table at school and that is made available to pupils during the course of a regular school meal time or then donated to a food bank or other nonprofit charitable organization.

SB 583(Stone)- Requires all student to successfully complete a course in financial literacy as of January 1,2019 in order to receive a high school diploma.

SB 607 (Skinner)- Prohibits a suspension of a student in grades K-5 for violation of Ed code 48900(k)- willful defiance and disrupting school activities.

SB 805 (Galgiana)-expands assault or battery upon a school employee under education code 48915 to include a staff member contracted to provide school services.