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CFT sponsored legislation for 2023-2024 legislative session moves through second Appropriations Committee

INTRODUCTION

Legislative rules require bills that create new fiscal impacts be assigned to the Committee on Appropriations after successful passage from a policy committee. Any bill that is assumed to have over a certain cost is automatically placed on a list, so that each of these bills can be assessed in context of one another as well as the current budget predictions for the next fiscal year.

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This process is known as "placing a bill on the suspense file," which is later dispensed with at a particular hearing, which occurred on August 15th. Bills may either move "off of suspense" and be passed to the floor, move off of suspense with amendments for a floor vote, or be "held on suspense" where the bill remains–likely for the remainder of the legislative session. Here are the results for CFT-sponsored legislation from the August suspense hearing:

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

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- <u>AB 2088 (McCarty)</u> Will give classified workers a right of first refusal when positions in the same job class become open. (A redo of AB 1699 from last year, which was vetoed.) **Passed out of committee. On to the floor of the Senate for a final vote.**
- <u>AB 2245 (J. Carrillo)</u> Removes the prohibition for CTE Teachers at Regional Occupational Centers/Programs from obtaining permanent employment status. **Passed out of committee. On to the floor of the Senate for a final vote.**
- <u>AB 2901 (Aguiar-Curry)</u> Provides 14 weeks of paid leave for certificated and classified education staff pregnancy, miscarriage, childbirth, termination of pregnancy, or recovery from those conditions. **Passed out of committee. On to the floor of the Senate for a final vote.**
- <u>AB 2971 (Maienschein)</u> Adds community college classified workers to the staffing ratio work group created by AB 1273 from last year. **Passed out of committee. On to the floor of the Senate for a final vote.**

• <u>AB 2586 (Alvarez)</u> – Allows students with an undocumented status the opportunity to be employed by public universities and colleges. **Passed out of committee. On to the floor of the seante for a final vote.**

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS

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- <u>SB 1182 (Gonzalez)</u> A redo of SB 394 from last year, this bill will create a master plan for climate resiliency at schools. **Passed out of committee. On to the floor of the Assembly for a final vote.**
- <u>SB 1205 (Laird)</u> Will guarantee that injured workers can receive medical care for occupational injuries during their normal shift hours and will also give workers temporary disability benefits to replace wages lost securing such medical care. **Passed out of committee with an amendment under CFT review.**

OTHER NOTABLE LEGISLATION

<u>SB 1287 (Glazer)</u> - CFT is opposed to this bill, which requires the California State University (CSU) and requests the University of California (UC), to adopt student codes of conduct that, among other things, prohibit violence, harassment, intimidation, and discrimination. The bill also requires CSU, and requests UC, to develop mandatory training programs for students related to these topics. **Passed out of committee with minor amendments. On to the floor of the Assembly for a final vote.**

<u>AB 359 (Holden)</u> – CFT is opposed to this bill, which would authorize a community college district to enter into a dual enrollment partnership with the governing board of a school district, a county office of education, or the governing body of a charter school within the service area of another community college district under specified conditions, including if the governing board of the primary community college district has denied in writing a request to establish a dual enrollment partnership. **Passed out of committee. On to the floor of the Senate for a final vote.**

<u>AB 2277 (Wallis)</u> – CFT supports this bill, which would require that negotiation on reemployment preference for part-time, temporary faculty assignments be based on the minimum standards up to the range of 80% to 85% of a full-time equivalent load, and would prohibit the community college district from restricting the terms of the negotiated agreement to less than that range, unless explicitly agreed upon by an individual part-time, temporary faculty member and the district. **Passed out of committee with minor amendments. On to the floor of the Senate for a final vote.**

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