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SSDA Bill List – By Position

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Sponsor

AB 2008 Patel Local educational agencies: planning and reporting requirements: template: repealer.

Would require the State Department of Education, on or before October 1, 2027, to create and post to its internet website a standardized template, as specified, for use by school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools when completing programmatic or expenditure reports for competitive state grant programs, except as provided. In drafting the template, the bill would require the department to ensure that the template creates reporting efficiencies for local educational agencies and schools that receive state grants and to consult relevant stakeholders involved in local educational agency reporting, as specified. The bill would require the department, on or before October 1, 2027, to submit the template to the Legislature, as provided, and, commencing January 1, 2028, to issue the template to local educational agencies as part of the notice of award information, and again 6 months before the final report due date, and to prepopulate certain administrative information of those local educational agencies.

Status: 9/18/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 283, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/18/2026-A. CHAPTERED

Support

AB 1590 Ransom California Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Program: revised allocation formula.

Existing law establishes the California Career Technical Education Incentive Grant Program, administered by the State Department of Education, with the purpose of encouraging, maintaining, and strengthening the delivery of high-quality career technical education programs. Existing law provides, for the 2021–22 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, that \$300,000,000 shall be available to the department, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for the program. Existing law requires an applicant to demonstrate a proportional dollar-for-dollar match and sets that amount for the 2021–22 fiscal year, and each fiscal year thereafter, at \$2 for every \$1 received from the program. Existing law prohibits an applicant from being awarded an amount higher than the amount that the allocation formula determines them to be eligible to receive under the program. Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction, in administering the program, to perform specified duties, including, among other duties, to (1) determine, in collaboration with the executive director of the State Board of Education, and make public on a preliminary basis at least 30 days before a regularly scheduled meeting of the state board, the allocation formula, (2) distribute funding on a multiyear schedule, (3) require grant recipients to submit program reports, (4) manage the grant process, and (5) promote the success of K–12 career technical education programs, as provided. This bill would require the department, instead of the Superintendent, to perform the above-described duties.

Status: 9/27/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 527, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/27/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 1871 Fong Pupil instruction: dual enrollment: College and Career Access Pathways partnerships.

Existing law authorizes the governing board of a community college district to enter into a College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) partnership with the governing board of a school district, a county office of education, or the governing body of a charter school for the purpose of offering or expanding dual enrollment opportunities for pupils who may not already be college bound or who are underrepresented in higher education, as provided. Existing law requires the partnership agreement to outline the terms of the partnership, as specified, and to establish protocols for information sharing, joint facilities use, and parental consent for high school pupils to enroll in community college courses. Existing law requires the protocols to only require a high school pupil participating in a CCAP partnership to

submit one parental consent form and principal recommendation for the duration of the pupil's participation in the CCAP partnership. This bill would revise the CCAP partnership provisions to eliminate the requirement that the protocols require principal recommendation.

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Location: 9/27/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 1904 Gipson Teachers: credentialed educator apprenticeship programs.

Under existing law, it is the public policy of this state to encourage the utilization of apprenticeship as a form of on-the-job training, when such training is cost effective in developing skills needed to perform public services. Existing law requires state and local public agencies to make a diligent effort to establish apprenticeship programs for apprenticeable occupations in their respective workforces. Existing law requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to, among other duties, establish standards for the issuance and renewal of credentials. Existing law requires, as a minimum requirement for a preliminary multiple subject, single subject, or education specialist teaching credential, the satisfactory completion of a program of professional preparation, as specified. This bill would require the commission and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards to partner in the dissemination, approval, and monitoring of credentialed educator apprenticeship programs in California, and to communicate apprenticeship requirements to professional preparation programs, local educational agencies, and other potential sponsors of credentialed educator apprenticeship programs.

Status: 9/30/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 906, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/30/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 1961 Ahrens Civil actions: protective orders: workplace violence.

Would authorize an employer to seek a workplace violence restraining order on behalf of all employees at the employer's workplace or a location at which a group of employees perform their primary job duties if harassment, unlawful violence or a credible threat of violence is directed at that workplace or location. The bill would not require an employer to name any individual employee as a protected party if the employer seeks a workplace violence restraining order on behalf of all employees at the employer's workplace or a location at which a group of employees perform their primary job duties. This bill would require the Judicial Council, on or before January 1, 2028, to adopt or modify its forms, as specified. This bill would incorporate additional changes to Section 527.8 of the Code of Civil Procedure proposed by AB 2179 to be operative only if this bill and AB 2179 are enacted and this bill is enacted last. This bill would incorporate additional changes to Section 527.8 of the Code of Civil Procedure proposed by AB 1753 to be operative only if (1) this bill and AB 1753 are both enacted, (2) AB 2179 is not enacted or as enacted does not amend Section 527.8 of the Code of Civil Procedure, and (3) this bill is enacted last.

Status: 9/30/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 910, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/30/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 2496 Solache Local educational agencies: reports: school accountability report card: California School Dashboard: local control accountability plan: local control funding formula budget overview.

The Classroom Instructional Improvement and Accountability Act requires, by statute, the governing boards of school districts maintaining an elementary or secondary school to annually issue a school accountability report card that includes certain information for each school in the school district, publicize those reports, and notify parents and guardians of pupils that a hard copy of those reports is available upon request, as specified. Existing law requires the State Department of Education, in collaboration with, and subject to the approval of, the executive director of the State Board of Education, to develop and maintain the California School Dashboard, a web-based system for publicly reporting performance data on the state and local indicators included in evaluation rubrics. This bill would require the department, on or before August 31, 2027, to provide a report to the Legislature that identifies duplication between the data contained in the school accountability report card and other publicly available data sources, as provided.

Status: 9/27/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 615, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/27/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 2503 Wallis California Interscholastic Federation: pupil health: heat illness: guidelines.

Existing law requires the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF), in consultation with the State Department of Education, to develop guidelines, procedures, and safety standards for the prevention and management of exertional heat illness. This bill would require, on or before July 1, 2027, and annually thereafter, the CIF to review and update as necessary the guidelines, procedures, and safety standards, with special consideration for regions of the state with higher average temperatures.

Status: 8/31/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 172, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 8/31/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 2519 McKinnor State Teachers' Retirement System: positions subject to membership.

The Teachers' Retirement Law establishes the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) and requires the Teachers' Retirement Board to administer STRS and requires employers and employees to make contributions to STRS based on the member's creditable compensation. Existing law, among other things, defines "position subject to membership" to mean prescribed positions at various educational institutions, including, among other positions, a position at a county office of education or school district, not including a charter school, where the position requires the holding of a valid credential, license, or certificate authorized by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing or the State Department of Health Care Services, as prescribed. This bill would expand the above-described definition to also include permitholders. The bill would additionally include as a "position subject to membership" a comparable position at a charter school eligible to receive state apportionment that is performing, directing, coordinating, supervising, or administering one or more prescribed functions, as specified.

Status: 9/30/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 947, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/30/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 2580 Muratsuchi Teacher credentialing: programs of professional preparation: California State University and community college partnerships.

Existing law requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to establish standards for the issuance and renewal of credentials, certificates, and permits. Existing law authorizes the commission to approve a regionally accredited institution of higher education, as defined, to recommend to the commission the issuance of credentials to persons who have successfully completed a teacher education program of the institution if the program meets the standards approved by the commission. Existing law requires, as a minimum requirement for a preliminary multiple subject, single subject, or education specialist teaching credential, the satisfactory completion of a program of professional preparation, as provided. Existing law requires professional preparation, including student teaching, to be made available in the upper division course offerings at all California public institutions of higher learning, except as provided. This bill would require the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the California State University to develop, on or before July 1, 2027, a plan to increase professional teacher preparation partnerships between California State University campuses and community college districts that addresses (1) the expansion of online programs of professional preparation offered by the California State University in partnership with community college districts to increase access and opportunities for students pursuing teaching careers in rural communities, and (2) the expansion of educator preparation pathways between community college districts and the California State University to include opportunities for concurrent enrollment at the California State University in teacher preparation coursework for community college students pursuing a teaching credential.

Status: 9/27/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 624, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/27/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 2640 Hadwick Commission on State Mandates: state mandates.

Existing law creates the Commission on State Mandates and establishes procedures for implementing the requirement in the California Constitution that the state reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Existing law makes a reimbursement claim for actual costs filed by a local agency or school district subject to the initiation of an audit by the Controller and authorizes the Controller to make a field review of a claim after it has been submitted but before it has been reimbursed. Existing law requires the Controller to notify the claimant in writing within 30 days after issuance of a remittance advice of any adjustment to a claim for reimbursement that results from an audit or review. This bill would, instead, require the Controller to notify the claimant in writing within 30 days of any adjustment that results from an audit or review.

Status: 9/18/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 307, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/18/2026-A. CHAPTERED

SB 959 Grayson Average daily attendance: emergencies: major safety hazard.

For purposes of state apportionments based on average daily attendance, as provided, if the average daily attendance of a school district, county office of education, or charter school has been materially decreased during a fiscal year because of a specified emergency, including, among others, the imminence of a major safety hazard as determined by a local law enforcement agency, existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to estimate the average daily attendance in a manner that credits to the school district, county office of education, or charter school approximately the total average daily attendance that would have been credited to the school district, county office of

education, or charter school had the emergency not occurred. This bill, for the above-described purposes, would additionally allow a local fire agency to make a determination of the imminence of a major safety hazard.

Status: 9/29/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 773, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/29/2026-S. CHAPTERED

SB 1347

Niello

Pupil health: emergency stock albuterol inhalers.

Existing law authorizes a school district, county office of education, or charter school to provide emergency stock albuterol inhalers, as specified, to school nurses or trained personnel who have volunteered, and authorizes school nurses or trained personnel to use an emergency stock albuterol inhaler to provide emergency medical aid to persons suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering, from respiratory distress, as provided. Existing law authorizes a prescription for emergency stock albuterol inhalers to be filled by local or mail order pharmacies or stock albuterol inhaler manufacturers. This bill would revise and recast that latter provision by making its provisions also apply to a childcare program, as defined, that is operated by or contracts with a school district, county office of education, or charter school, as provided. This bill would explicitly authorize a pharmacy to furnish stock albuterol inhalers to a local educational agency pursuant to a written order from an authorized prescriber. The bill would authorize a prescription for emergency stock albuterol inhalers also to be filled by stock albuterol wholesalers or distributors.

Status: 9/27/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 703, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/27/2026-S. CHAPTERED

Oppose

AB 917

Ávila Fariás

County offices of education: school districts: average daily attendance of less than 250 pupils: permanent status.

Existing law requires a certificated employee of a school district of any type or class or of a county superintendent of schools, with an average daily attendance of 250 or more, who completes 2 consecutive years and is reelected for the next succeeding school year to a position requiring certification, to become and be classified as a permanent employee of the school district or county superintendent. Existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district of any type or class having an average daily attendance of less than 250 pupils to classify as a permanent employee of the district any employee who, after having been employed by the school district for 3 complete consecutive school years in a position or positions requiring certification qualifications, is reelected for the next succeeding school year to a position requiring certification qualifications. If that classification is not made, existing law prohibits the employee from attaining permanent status and instead authorizes the employee to be reelected from year to year thereafter without becoming a permanent employee until a change in classification is made. Existing law further provides for the calculation of permanent status upon the unionization, unification, uniting, or consolidation of one or more school districts having different average daily attendances, as specified. This bill instead would require that a certificated employee of a school district of any type or class or of a county superintendent of schools, regardless of the average daily attendance of the school district or county superintendent of schools, who completes 2 consecutive years and is reelected to become and be classified as a permanent employee.

Status: 9/20/2026-Vetoed by Governor.

Location: 9/20/2026-A. VETOED

AB 2142

Garcia

School districts: community college districts: short-term employees: classified service.

Existing law requires the governing board of a school district and the governing board of a community college district to employ persons for positions not requiring certification qualifications and to classify, as defined, these employees and positions. Existing law requires these employees and positions to be known as the classified service. Existing law prohibits substitute and short-term employees, as defined, employed and paid for less than 75% of a school year or college year, from being part of the classified service. This bill would establish a rebuttable presumption that a school district or community college district is required to replace a short-term employee position with a position in the classified service if (1) the short-term employee performs the required service of the position beyond 75% of a school year or college year, (2) the short-term employee voluntarily separates or is laid off or terminated from employment for at least 50% but less than 75% of a school year or college year and is then rehired in the next school year or college year to perform substantially the same services for at least 50% of the school year or college year, or (3) the services of the short-term employee position are used at least 50% of a school year or college year for 3 of 5 consecutive school years or college years.

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Location: 9/20/2026-A. VETOED

SB 1083

Pérez

Noncertificated public school employees: private school employees: egregious misconduct: statewide data system: Commission on Teacher Credentialing: adverse actions: contracts and background checks for educational services.

Existing law requires school districts, county offices of education, charter schools, and state special schools and diagnostic centers operated by the State Department of Education considering an applicant for a noncertificated position, and private schools considering an applicant for any position, to inquire with each school district, county office of education, charter school, state special school and diagnostic center operated by the department, and private school that previously employed the applicant, as required to be disclosed, as to whether the applicant, while previously employed by the school district, county office of education, charter school, state special school or diagnostic center operated by the department, or private school was the subject of any credible complaints of, substantiated investigations into, or discipline for, egregious misconduct, as defined, that were used to support a substantiated investigation. Existing law requires those entities, when responding to an inquiry as to whether it has made a report of egregious misconduct to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, to also provide the inquiring entity with a copy of all relevant information that was used to support a substantiated investigation within its possession. This bill would revise and recast those provisions by, among other things, (A) requiring those inquiries and disclosures to be related to any credible complaints of, substantiated investigations into, or discipline for, egregious misconduct, instead of only those complaints, investigations, or discipline used to support a substantiated investigation, (B) requiring those entities to provide relevant evidence in addition to any information, as specified, (C) requiring the responses to inquiries described above to include reports of egregious misconduct submitted to the statewide data system described in paragraph (2) and other related employment history that has been submitted to the commission, as provided, (D) requiring those entities to also provide relevant evidence or information to the commission upon inquiry, and (E) requiring those entities to preserve evidence or information relating to a substantiated report of egregious misconduct, as specified.

Status: 9/27/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 676, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/27/2026-S. CHAPTERED

Watch

AB 708

Valencia

California Youth Football Act: safety equipment.

The California Youth Football Act requires a youth sports organization that conducts a tackle football program to comply with certain requirements, including, among other things, not conducting more than 2 full-contact practices per week during the preseason and regular season, not holding a full-contact practice during the off-season, and having each football helmet reconditioned and recertified every other year, as specified. This bill would require a youth tackle football league, youth sports organization that conducts a tackle football program, or coach of a youth sports organization to allow youth tackle football participants to use safety equipment, including soft-shell add-ons on football helmets. The bill would authorize a court to grant injunctive relief to remedy a violation or threatened violation of this requirement, and would entitle a prevailing plaintiff who obtains injunctive relief to reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

Status: 9/28/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 732, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/28/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 1586

Ramos

Opioid overdose reversal medication: school resource officers.

Existing law authorizes a school district, county office of education, and charter school to provide emergency naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist to school nurses and trained personnel who have volunteered, and authorizes school nurses and trained personnel to use naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist to provide emergency medical aid to persons suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering, from an opioid overdose. This bill, to be known as the School Safety and Opioid Overdose Prevention Act, and commencing with the 2027–28 school year, would require a school resource officer, as defined, to (1) upon assignment to a schoolsite, and at least every 2 years thereafter, complete an opioid overdose recognition and response training, as specified, and (2) report, on or before July 1, 2028, and annually thereafter until July 1, 2030, to the State Department of Public Health, among other things, the number of times the school resource officer administered an opioid antagonist, and the types of opioid antagonist received and administered, while serving at a schoolsite.

Status: 9/18/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 268, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/18/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 1626

Gabriel

Interscholastic athletics: youth sports: coaches: behavioral and mental health training.

Existing law, the 1998 California High School Coaching Education and Training Program, declares the intent of the Legislature to establish a California High School Coaching Education and Training Program, to be administered by school districts with an emphasis on specific components, including, among other components, sports psychology. Existing law requires every high school sports coach to complete, at their own expense, a coaching education program that meets the guidelines established by the California High School Coaching Education and Training Program. This bill would require specified trainings for coaches described in AB 1665 of the 2025–26 Regular Session to cover specified mental-health related topics, including, among other topics, trauma-informed care, as provided, and strategies of creating a positive team culture, as provided. The bill would require the department, on or before September 1, 2027, to identify existing training or develop a model youth athletics behavioral and mental health training, as specified, for persons who serve as coaches in youth sports organizations, both for recreational leagues and competitive or club leagues. The bill would require the department to post the training on its internet website and work with local partners to disseminate the training to appropriate youth athletic leagues, youth coaching entities, and relevant statewide organizations and associations.

Status: 9/30/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 884, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/30/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 1665 Pacheco School athletics: coaches: youth athletics behavioral and mental health training.

The 1998 California High School Coaching Education and Training Program declares the intent of the Legislature to establish a California High School Coaching Education and Training Program, to be administered by school districts with an emphasis on specific components, including, among other components, sports psychology. Existing law requires every high school sports coach to complete, at their own expense, a coaching education program that meets the guidelines established by the California High School Coaching Education and Training Program. This bill would add a component on mental health training, as specified, to the list of components to be emphasized by the 1998 California High School Coaching Education and Training Program. The bill, commencing with the 2027–28 school year, would require a person who serves as a coach in an interscholastic athletic program at a high school, including a private school, that is a member of the California Interscholastic Federation to complete an initial training, and a subsequent training every 2 years, on mental health, as provided. The bill, commencing with the 2027–28 school year, would also require a school district, county office of education, or charter school that elects to offer an athletic program, other than an interscholastic athletic program, to ensure that the athletic program’s coaches complete an initial training, and a subsequent training every 2 years, that covers sudden cardiac arrest, as provided, and youth athletics behavioral and mental health training, as provided. This bill would incorporate additional changes to Section 35179.1 of the Education Code proposed by AB 1626 to be operative only if this bill and AB 1626 are enacted and this bill is enacted last.

Status: 9/30/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 886, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/30/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 1709 Lowenthal Covered platforms: age restriction: e-Safety Advisory Commission.

The Protecting Our Kids from Social Media Addiction Act prohibits an operator of an addictive internet-based service or application from providing an addictive feed, as defined, to a user unless the operator does not have actual knowledge that the user is a minor, as specified, or the operator has obtained verifiable parental consent to provide an addictive feed to the user who is a minor. Existing law, the Digital Age Assurance Act, beginning January 1, 2027, requires a person who owns, maintains, or controls a software application, as defined, to request age bracket data sent by a real-time secure application programming interface or operating system with respect to a particular user from an operating system provider or a covered application store when the application is downloaded and launched. This bill would prohibit a covered platform, as defined, from providing an addictive feature, as defined, to a user who is under 16 years of age and would require a covered platform to implement reasonable measures to ensure that users under 16 years of age are not offered or provided any addictive feature on the covered platform. The bill would also authorize the Attorney General to adopt regulations to implement and enforce the bill in order to further the purpose of protecting minors online, including by altering the scope of “covered platform” if the Attorney General determines that doing so is necessary to ensure that “covered platform” applies to internet websites, online services, online applications, or mobile applications that make addictive features, as defined, available to users under 16 years of age.

Status: 9/10/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 183, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/10/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 1821 Pacheco California Public Records Act: agency response time.

The California Public Records Act requires each state or local agency, upon a request for a copy of records that reasonably describes an identifiable record or records, to make the records promptly available to any person upon

payment of fees covering direct costs of duplication, or a statutory fee if applicable, except with respect to public records exempt from disclosure by express provisions of law. Existing law requires each agency, within 10 days of a request for a copy of records, to determine whether the request seeks copies of disclosable public records in possession of the agency and to promptly notify the person of the determination and the reasons therefor. Existing law authorizes that time limit to be extended by no more than 14 days under unusual circumstances, as defined. This bill would instead require each agency to determine whether the request seeks copies of disclosable public records in possession of the agency and to promptly notify the person as described above within 10 business days of a request for a copy of records.

Status: 9/30/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 899, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/30/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 1860 McKinnor School facilities: design-build: alternative design-build: county superintendents of schools.

Existing law authorizes a school district, with the approval of the governing board of the school district, to procure design-build contracts for public works projects in excess of \$1,000,000, awarding the contract to either the low bid or the best value, as provided. Existing law requires specified information relating to design-build bid proposals to be verified under penalty of perjury. Existing law, until January 1, 2029, authorizes a school district, with the approval of its governing board, to procure alternative design-build contracts for public works projects in excess of \$5,000,000, awarding the contract to either the low bid or the best value, as provided. Existing law authorizes county boards of education that have had all or a portion of certain duties and functions relating to expenses transferred to them by the county board of supervisors to acquire, lease, lease-purchase, hold, and convey real property for purposes of housing the offices and the services of the county superintendent of schools. This bill would authorize county superintendents of schools to procure the same above-described design-build and alternative design-build contracts, subject to the same requirements that are applicable to school districts, except that the bill would, notwithstanding any other law, require county superintendents of schools to have exclusive authority to award design-build and alternative design-build contracts on behalf of a county office of education and county board of education.

Status: 9/30/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 902, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/30/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 1883 Bryan Workplace surveillance tools.

Existing law establishes the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement within the Department of Industrial Relations. Existing law authorizes the division, which is headed by the Labor Commissioner, to enforce the Labor Code and all labor laws of the state, the enforcement of which is not specifically vested in any other officer, board, or commission. This bill would, with certain exceptions, prohibit an employer from using a workplace surveillance tool that uses artificial intelligence to, among other things, collect neural data or recognize an individual's emotional state. The bill would define an employer to include a governmental entity, including, among other entities, charter cities and the University of California. This bill would authorize the Labor Commissioner or a public prosecutor to enforce the bill's provisions. The bill would subject an employer who violates the bill's provisions to a civil penalty of up to \$500 for each violation. The bill would define various terms for purposes of its provisions.

Status: 9/30/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 853, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/30/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 2148 Muratsuchi Elementary and secondary education: public school employees: contractors: natural persons.

Existing law establishes a system of public elementary and secondary education in this state. Under this system, school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools employ personnel to provide instruction to and services for pupils in kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, at schoolsites throughout the state. This bill would explicitly define, for purposes of the Education Code, both a public school employee and a contractor providing services in a public school to mean a natural person.

Status: 6/30/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 45, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 6/30/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 2225 Patel Education governance: Education Commissioner: reporting.

Commencing January 1, 2027, existing law vests all executive and administrative functions of the State Department of Education in an Education Commissioner. Existing law requires the Education Commissioner, on or before October 1, 2027, to develop findings and recommendations for a 2nd phase of education governance consolidation and streamlining, as specified, and to submit to the Governor and the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature (1) an interim report, by June 30, 2027, with a detailed description of the process used to gather required

input for the development of those findings and recommendations and (2) a final report, by October 1, 2027, containing its findings and recommendations. This bill would require the Education Commissioner, utilizing those findings and recommendations, to submit a report, on or before October 1, 2028, to the Governor and appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature on, among other things, progress toward implementation of the recommended actions or activities for education governance consolidation and streamlining and recommendations of any additional steps the Governor and Legislature can take to consolidate or eliminate fragmented or duplicative state requirements and activities that require statutory or budgetary authority.

Status: 9/18/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 293, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/18/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 2490 Valencia Teacher credentialing: emergency career substitute teaching permit: alternative qualifications.

Existing law requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to establish standards and procedures for the issuance and renewal of credentials, certificates, and permits. Under existing regulations, the requirements for the initial issuance of an emergency career substitute teaching permit include, among other requirements, verification by an employer that the applicant has completed at least 90 days of substitute teaching in each of the 3 years immediately preceding the date of the application either in the school district or, if the county office of education assigns substitute teachers, in one or more school districts in the county, as provided. This bill would require the commission to accept, as an alternative to verification of 90 days of substitute teaching described above, verification that the substitute teacher has received at least 5 hours of professional development, an orientation training, and an assigned teaching mentor program, as provided. The bill would authorize a holder of an emergency career substitute teaching permit who was issued the permit based on the alternatives pursuant to these provisions to serve up to 70 cumulative days in a single classroom, including for special education teachers. The bill would require, the first time a permit holder who was issued a permit pursuant to these provisions has their permit renewed, the permit holder to provide verification of 30 hours of professional development, as provided. The bill would require a permit issued or renewed pursuant to these provisions to be valid for 12 months. The bill would require a local educational agency to follow specified procedures before assigning a substitute who holds a career substitute permit and to annually report specified information to its governing board or governing body and additional information to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing related to those assignments.

Status: 9/27/2026-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 614, Statutes of 2026.

Location: 9/27/2026-A. CHAPTERED

AB 2526 Muratsuchi Special education local plan areas: apportionments: alternate assessments.

Existing law prescribes a calculation to annually apportion funding to special education local plan areas for each pupil with low-incidence disabilities, defined to include pupils with hearing impairments, vision impairments, and severe orthopedic impairments, or any combination thereof, in accordance with a per-pupil entitlement based on the number of pupils with low-incidence disabilities reported in the prior fiscal year. Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to apportion these funds to special education local plan areas for purposes of providing special education and related services as required under the individualized education program for each pupil with low-incidence disabilities. This bill would, contingent upon an appropriation for its purposes, (1) require the per-pupil entitlement to also be based on the number of pupils eligible to take specified alternative assessments and (2) require the Superintendent to apportion these funds to special education local plan areas for purposes of also providing special education and related services as required under the individualized education program for each pupil who is eligible to take those alternative assessments.

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SB 947 McNerney Employment: automated decision systems.

Existing law requires the Department of Technology to conduct, in coordination with other interagency bodies as it deems appropriate, a comprehensive inventory of all high-risk automated decision systems (ADS) that have been proposed for use, development, or procurement by, or are being used, developed, or procured by, any state agency. This bill would prohibit an employer from discharging, threatening to discharge, demoting, suspending, or in any manner discriminating or retaliating against any employee for taking certain actions asserting their rights under the bill. The bill would authorize the Labor Commissioner to enforce the bill's provisions and also authorize a public prosecutor to bring a civil enforcement action, as specified. The bill would set forth specified types of relief that a plaintiff may seek and specified penalties that an employer that violates these provisions is subject to, including a \$500 civil penalty per violation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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SB 1082 Niello Pupil attendance: interdistrict transfers: agreements: policies.

Existing law authorizes the governing boards of 2 or more school districts to enter into an agreement, for a term not to exceed 5 school years, for the interdistrict attendance of pupils who are residents of the school districts. If a school district enters into an agreement, existing law requires, among other things, (1) that the agreement stipulate the terms and conditions under which interdistrict attendance will be permitted or denied, (2) that the school district post on its internet website the procedures and timelines regarding a request for an interdistrict transfer permit, as provided, (3) the notification of a parent submitting a current year request of its final decision within 30 calendar days from the date the request was received, and (4) if the school district denies a request for an interdistrict transfer, that the school district advise the parent, in writing, of the right to appeal to the county board of education within 30 calendar days from the date of the final denial. This bill would require the governing board of a school that has entered into an agreement, on or after January 1, 2027, for the interdistrict attendance of pupils to adopt, and post on its internet website, a policy that includes specified provisions, including that if the school district determines that a request received from a parent is incomplete, the school district is required to notify the parent, within 30 calendar days of receipt of the request, identifying any missing information or documentation, as provided. The bill would allow for certain extensions of the above-described 30-day requirement to notify a parent of its final decision when an application is determined to be incomplete or if an individualized education program meeting has been scheduled or is pending, as provided. The bill would require all interdistrict agreements entered into on or after January 1, 2027, to also contain those specified provisions, as provided.

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SB 1119 Padilla Companion chatbots: children's safety.

Existing law generally regulates artificial intelligence, including companion chatbots, as defined. Existing law requires an operator, as defined, to prevent a companion chatbot on its companion chatbot platform from engaging with users unless the operator maintains a protocol for preventing the production of suicidal ideation, suicide, or self-harm content to the user. Existing law requires an operator, for a user the operator knows is a minor, to take certain prescribed action, including disclosing to the user that the user is interacting with artificial intelligence. This bill would delete those provisions imposing requirements on an operator if the operator knows the user is a minor.

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SB 1140 Ashby Pupil safety: limiting school access to unauthorized individuals.

Would require the governing board or body of a local educational agency, as defined, to ensure that the contract or contracts for any construction project, as defined, taking place during school hours include security provisions that limit access to the construction site and keep unauthorized individuals off school property. To the extent the additional contract terms would impose additional duties on local educational agencies or other local entities or officials, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

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