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LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Chairperson Yvonne de la Peña
 Wednesday, February 3, 2021
 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chairperson Yvonne de la Peña called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

Members present: Jack Buckhorn, Yvonne de la Peña, Luis Ontiveros, Larry Hopkins, Dick Zampa, Chip Martin, Paul Von Berg, Jim Hussey and Chief Eric Rood

Absent: Nick Esquivel, and Susan Anderson
 A quorum was met.

II. Review/approve previous Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on June 24, 2020 minutes were approved as submitted.

III. Budget

Yvonne reviewed Budget handout with the apprenticeship community:

Budget Bills: Fiscal Year 2021-2022
SB-112, Skinner and AB-214, Ting (as Introduced)

Item: 6870-101-0001—For local assistance, Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges (Proposition 98)

Schedule:

(2) 5670019-Apprenticeship.....\$79,094,000
 (3) 5670023-Apprenticeship Training and Instruction.....\$36,248,000

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**Provisions:**

3. (a) The funds appropriated in Schedule (2) shall be available pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 79140) of Chapter 9 of Part 48 of Division 7 of Title 3 of the Education Code.
- (b) Pursuant to Section 79149.3 of the Education Code, the reimbursement rate shall be **\$6.54 per hour**.
- (c) Of the funds appropriated in Schedule (2), **\$30,000,000** shall be used for the California Apprenticeship Initiative pursuant to Section 79148.1 of the Education Code. Funds appropriated pursuant to this subdivision shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2027.
- (d) (1) Of the funds appropriated in Schedule (2), **\$20,000,000** shall be available on a one-time basis to expand work-based learning models and programs at community colleges, with the goal of ensuring that students complete programs with applied work experiences. These funds shall be allocated through a competitive grant process developed by the Chancellor's Office to award funds to colleges. Grants shall expand the use of work-based learning instructional approaches that align with the Guided Pathways framework, including, but not limited to, internships, for both career technical education and non-career technical education disciplines.
- (2) Funds appropriated pursuant to this subdivision shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2026.
4. (a) The funds appropriated in Schedule (3) shall be available pursuant to Article 8 (commencing with Section 8150) of Chapter 1 of Part 6 of Division 1 of Title 1 of the Education Code.
- (b) Pursuant to Section 8152 of the Education Code, the reimbursement rate shall be **\$6.54 per hour**.

Percentage Changes in ongoing RSI funding

- RSI hourly rate increases by \$0.10 from \$6.44 to \$6.54 or an increase of 1.55%.

Other Budget Bill items regarding apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship:

Item: 7120-001-3228—For support of California Workforce Development Board, payable from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.....**2,550,000**

Schedule:

(1) 6040-California Workforce Development Board.....**2,550,000**

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**Provisions:**

5. The funds appropriated in this item shall be used to **support apprenticeship** and job training programs for workers and disadvantaged individuals consistent with the State Strategic Workforce Development Plan, including support for training opportunities necessary to transition the state's workforce to a low carbon economy.
6. The funds appropriated in this item shall be available for encumbrance or expenditure until June 30, 2023.
7. The funds appropriated in this item shall not be subject to the provisions of Control Section 15.14(b).

Item: 7120-001-3228 – For local assistance, California Workforce Development Board, payable from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction

Fund.....**\$2,550,000**

Schedule:

(b) 6040-California Workforce Development Board.....**\$2,550,000**

Provisions:

1. The funds appropriated in this item shall be used to **support apprenticeship** and job training programs for workers and disadvantaged individuals consistent with the State Strategic Workforce Development Plan, including support for training opportunities necessary to transition the state's workforce to a low carbon economy.
2. The funds appropriated in this item shall be available for encumbrances or expenditure until June 30, 2023.

Item: 7350-001-0514—For support of Department of Industrial Relations, payable from Employment Training

Fund.....**\$5,904,000**

Schedule:

(1) 6110-Division of Apprenticeship Standards.....**\$5,904,000**

Question was asked from the apprenticeship community if the previous discussion on Full-time equivalent (FTE) and how much FTE apportionment were being used for registered apprenticeship vs. how many RSI dollars were going towards registered apprenticeship.

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Yvonne stated that she put in a formal request to Nick Esquivel with the Chancellors Office and his supervisors about the information that the Apprenticeship Council should be receiving. This information has not been received.

Yvonne discussed Department of Higher Wages and Better Jobs. She stated that included in the Governor's 2020-2021 budget proposal is the Administration's proposal to create the Department of Higher Wages and Better Jobs (Department) within the Labor and Workforce Development Agency (Agency). The new department would be composed of existing divisions within the Agency to align "fragmented workforce programs."

Apprenticeships and Workforce Services – The Budget includes \$25 million one-time General Fund in 2020-21 to expand high road training partnerships statewide in industry sectors that support the state's economic recovery, including construction, forestry and agriculture, healthcare, trade and logistics, and information technology.

DAS Chief Eric Rood stated that Department of Better Jobs and Higher Wages is not the final name of the new department they are still exploring name options.

Yvonne continued by discussing Bills of Interest that we had been following

IV. Review of New and Pending Bills

CAC Bills

[SB 6](#)

[\(Caballero D\)](#) Local planning: housing: commercial zones.

Current Text: Introduced: 12/7/2020

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Status: 12/8/2020-From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 7.

Location: 12/7/2020-S. RLS.

Summary: The Planning and Zoning Law requires each county and city to adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for its physical development, and the development of certain lands outside its boundaries, that includes, among other mandatory elements, a housing element. This bill, the Neighborhood Homes Act, would deem a housing development project, as defined, an allowable use on a neighborhood lot, which is defined as a parcel within an office or retail commercial zone that is not adjacent to an industrial use. The bill would require the density for a housing development under these provisions to meet or exceed the density deemed appropriate to accommodate housing for lower income households according to the type of local jurisdiction, including a density of at least 20 units per acre for a suburban jurisdiction.

[SB 7](#)

[\(Atkins D\)](#) Environmental quality: Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2021.

Current Text: Introduced: 12/7/2020

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Status: 12/8/2020-From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 7.

Location: 12/7/2020-S. RLS.

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report (EIR) on a project that the lead agency proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA authorizes the preparation of a master EIR and authorizes the use of the master EIR to limit the environmental review of subsequent projects that are described in the master EIR, as specified. This bill would require a lead agency to prepare a master EIR for a general plan, plan amendment, plan element, or specific plan for housing projects where the state has provided funding for the preparation of the master EIR.

SB 15

(Portantino D) Housing development: incentives: rezoning of idle retail sites.

Current Text: Introduced: 12/7/2020

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Status: 12/8/2020-From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 7.

Location: 12/7/2020-S. RLS.

Summary: Current law establishes, among other housing programs, the Workforce Housing Reward Program, which requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to make local assistance grants to cities, counties, and cities and counties that provide land use approval to housing developments that are affordable to very low and low-income households. This bill, upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act or other statute, would require the department to administer a program to provide incentives in the form of grants allocated as provided to local governments that rezone idle sites used for a big box retailer or a commercial shopping center to instead allow the development of workforce housing.

IACA Bills**SB 40**

(Hurtado D) Health care workforce development: California Medicine Scholars Program.

Current Text: Introduced: 12/7/2020

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Status: 12/8/2020-From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 7.

Location: 12/7/2020-S. RLS.

Summary: Would create the California Medicine Scholars Program, a 5-year pilot program commencing January 1, 2023, and would require the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to establish and facilitate the pilot

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program. The bill would require the pilot program to establish a regional pipeline program for community college students to pursue premedical training and enter medical school, in an effort to address the shortage of primary care physicians in California and the widening disparities in access to care in vulnerable and underserved communities, including building a comprehensive statewide approach to increasing the number and representation of minority primary care physicians in the state. The bill would require the office to contract with a managing agency for the pilot program, as specified.

SB 63

(Stern D) Fire prevention: vegetation management: public education: grants: defensible space: fire hazard severity zones: forest management.

Current Text: Introduced: 12/7/2020

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Status: 12/8/2020-From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 7.

Location: 12/7/2020-S. RLS.

Summary: Would, among other things, require the Director of Forestry and Fire Protection to identify areas of the state as moderate and high fire hazard severity zones and would require a local agency to make this information available for public review and comment, as provided. By expanding the responsibility of a local agency, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

CAC/IACA Bills**AB 214**

(Ting D) Budget Act of 2021.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/8/2021

Introduced: 1/8/2021

Status: 1/11/2021-Read first time.

Location: 1/8/2021-A. PRINT

Summary: This bill would make appropriations for the support of state government for the 2021–22 fiscal year.

AB 299

(Villapudua D) Career technical education: Apprenticeship Grant Program.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/25/2021

Introduced: 1/25/2021

Status: 1/26/2021-From printer. May be heard in committee February 25.

Location: 1/25/2021-A. PRINT

Summary: Would establish the Apprenticeship Grant Program, commencing with the 2022–23 academic year, under the administration of the Student Aid Commission, to provide grants to encourage community college students to go into career technical education and vocational programs through participation in apprenticeships. Under the bill, the commission would provide supplemental grants to students who qualify for the Federal Pell Grant or for state financial aid and who participate in approved apprenticeship programs through campuses of the California Community Colleges. The bill would prohibit these grants from exceeding a student's actual cost of attending a participating community college.

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SB 112 **(Skinner D)** Budget Act of 2021.
Current Text: Introduced: 1/8/2021
Introduced: 1/8/2021
Status: 1/11/2021-From printer. Read first time. Referred to Com. on B. & F.R.
Location: 1/11/2021-S. BUDGET & F.R.
Summary: This bill would make appropriations for the support of state government for the 2021–22 fiscal year.

SB 61 **(Hurtado D)** Workforce training programs: supportive services.
Current Text: Introduced: 12/7/2020 pdf
Introduced: 12/7/2020
Status: 12/8/2020-From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 7.
Location: 12/7/2020-S. RLS.
Summary: Would require the California Workforce Development Board to establish and administer the Lifting Families Out of Poverty Supportive Services Program. The bill would require the board, upon appropriation by the Legislature for that purpose, to make \$50,000,000 in grants available to consortia, composed of combinations of local workforce development boards, community colleges, or other stakeholders, that apply for funding to provide supportive services, as defined, and are approved in accordance with the bill.

Question regarding Meg Vassey asked if in the housing bills if the apprenticeship ratios if they were in operation.

V. Review Legislative Calendar for 2021

Yvonne provided a Legislative Calendar:

https://www.senate.ca.gov/sites/senate.ca.gov/files/revised_agreed_2021_calendar.pdf

VI. Adjournment

Adjournment at 12:38 p.m.