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[AB 96](#)

([Ting D](#)) Budget Act of 2017.

Current Text: Amended: 5/31/2017

Introduced: 1/10/2017

Last Amend: 5/31/2017

Status: 6/2/2017-Re-referred to Com. on BUDGET.

Summary: This bill would make appropriations for the support of state government for the 2017–18 fiscal year. This bill contains other related provisions.

[AB 101](#)

([Ting D](#)) Education.

Current Text: Amended: 6/12/2017

Introduced: 1/10/2017

Last Amend: 6/12/2017

Status: 7/10/2017-Action From THIRD READING: To APPR. SUSPENSE FILE.

Summary: Current law provides for the attendance of apprentices at high schools, unified school districts, regional occupational centers or programs, community colleges, and adult schools under vocational education program standards that are established with the participation of the State Department of Education, the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards of the Department of Industrial Relations. Current law establishes standards for the provision of state funding and reimbursements for these programs at local educational agencies, as defined, separate from these programs at community colleges. This bill would, among other things, require the Controller to include instructions necessary to enforce provisions governing apprenticeship programs at local educational agencies in a specified audit guide.

[AB 316](#)

([Waldron R](#)) Workforce development.

Current Text: Amended: 4/5/2017

Introduced: 2/6/2017

Last Amend: 4/5/2017

Status: 5/26/2017-In committee: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Summary: Current law requires the Employment Training Panel within the Employment Development Department to submit an annual report to the Legislature that contains summaries of information related to projects operated by the panel. This bill would require the panel to solicit proposals and write performance-based contracts to fund projects that expedite and increase the number of middle-skill workers employed in an eligible industry. This bill would require projects funded by this program to comply with certain requirements.

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[AB 361](#) ([Cervantes](#) D) Income taxes: credit: apprentices.

Current Text: Amended: 5/15/2017

Introduced: 2/8/2017

Last Amend: 5/15/2017

Status: 5/26/2017-In committee: Held under submission.

Summary: The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law allow various credits against the taxes imposed by those laws. This bill, under both laws, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018, and before January 1, 2023, would allow a credit against those taxes in an amount equal to \$1,000 for each registered apprentice trained by the taxpayer and who worked 7 months or more during the taxable year, not to exceed \$10,000 per taxable year per taxpayer.

[AB 581](#) ([McCarty](#) D) Apprenticeships on public works projects.

Current Text: Amended: 3/22/2017

Introduced: 2/14/2017

Last Amend: 3/22/2017

Status: 7/10/2017-In committee: Referred to APPR. suspense file.

Summary: Current law provides for apprenticeship programs within the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, which is within the Department of Industrial Relations. This bill would require an apprenticeship program, to be eligible to receive grant funds from the California Apprenticeship Council, to agree to keep adequate records that document the expenditure of those grant funds and make all records available to the department so that the department is able to verify that grant funds were used solely for training apprentices. The bill would also require the department to verify that grants made by the council are used solely for training apprentices.

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AB 1111 (**Garcia, Eduardo** D) **Removing Barriers to Employment Act: Breaking Barriers to Employment Initiative.**

Current Text: Amended: 7/5/2017

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Last Amend: 7/5/2017

Status: 7/5/2017-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on L. & I.R.

Summary: Would enact the Removing Barriers to Employment Act, which would establish the Breaking Barriers to Employment Initiative administered by the California Workforce Development Board. The bill would specify that the purpose of the initiative is to create a grant program to provide individuals with barriers to employment the services they need to enter, participate in, and complete broader workforce preparation, training, and education programs aligned with regional labor market needs. The bill would specify that people completing these programs should have the skills and competencies to successfully enter the labor market, retain employment, and earn wages that lead to self-sufficiency and economic security.

AB 1275 (**Irwin** D) **Department of Veterans Affairs: monitoring outcomes for veterans: Director of Employment Development: disclosure of information.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/17/2017

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Status: 7/5/2017-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

Summary: Would require the Department of Veterans Affairs to develop outcome and related indicators for veterans, for the purpose of assessing the status of veterans in California, for monitoring the quality of programs intended to serve those veterans, and to guide decision-making on how to improve those services. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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[AB 1376](#) ([Caballero](#) D) Apprenticeship: preapprenticeship programs for women.

Current Text: Amended: 3/30/2017

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Last Amend: 3/30/2017

Status: 5/26/2017-In committee: Held under submission.

Summary: Would require the Division of Apprenticeship Standards to develop curricula for, and to provide certification for, preapprenticeship programs for women in the construction trades, to be regulated under these provisions. The bill would establish criteria for the selection of persons or organizations to administer the preapprenticeship programs and would provide the requirements for a preapprenticeship program to seek reimbursement of its expenses for providing its services. The bill would make a one-time appropriation of \$500,000 from the General Fund to the Division of Apprenticeship Standards to develop a curriculum and certification process for these preapprenticeship programs.

[AB 1381](#) ([Obernalte](#) R) Funeral establishments: apprenticeship training.

Current Text: Amended: 4/24/2017

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Last Amend: 4/24/2017

Status: 7/11/2017-Read second time. Ordered to Consent Calendar.

Summary: The Cemetery and Funeral Act defines an apprentice embalmer as a person engaged in the study of embalming under the instruction and supervision of a licensed embalmer who has had at least 2 years' of practical experience as a licensed embalmer. Current law requires the apprenticeship to be served in a licensed funeral establishment that has been approved for apprenticeship training by the Cemetery and Funeral Bureau. This bill would require the funeral establishment to submit that application and would additionally authorize the funeral establishment to have a trade embalmer, as defined, who is hired by the establishment on a case-by-case basis, for purposes of satisfying the application requirements.

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[AB 1425](#) ([Kalra D](#)) Apprentices.

Current Text: Amended: 3/28/2017

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Last Amend: 3/28/2017

Status: 6/27/2017-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

Summary: Current law requires contractors on public works projects to comply with various requirements for employing apprentices, including, among others, requiring every contractor to submit contract award information to an applicable apprenticeship program that can supply apprentices to the site of the public work. Current law imposes penalties for a violation of requirements relating to apprentices. This bill would require a contractor, within a designated time period, to provide specific written information to applicable apprenticeship committees whose geographic area of operation includes the area of the public works project.

[AB 1503](#) ([Aguiar-Curry D](#)) Farm labor contractors.

Current Text: Amended: 5/10/2017

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Last Amend: 5/10/2017

Status: 5/26/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 4/20/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Summary: Current law provides for the licensing and regulation of farm labor contractors by the Labor Commissioner. Current law defines “farm labor contractor” for purposes of these provisions and excludes a commercial packing house, as specified, from the definition. This bill would also exclude a nonprofit organization that is engaged in administering an accredited apprenticeship program, as specified, from the definition of “farm labor contractor.”

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[AB 1577](#) ([Gipson D](#)) Career technical education: access plan.

Current Text: Amended: 3/21/2017

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Last Amend: 3/21/2017

Status: 6/21/2017-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Summary: Would require the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the California Workforce Development Board and the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, to develop a plan to ensure the provision of, and access to, career technical education programs at every K-12 school in California and to convene, on or before January 1, 2019, to develop the plan. The bill would, on or before January 1, 2020, require the department to report the plan to the Legislature. The bill would repeal its provisions on January 1, 2024.

[AB 1618](#) ([Cervantes D](#)) Veteran service providers.

Current Text: Amended: 5/30/2017

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Last Amend: 5/30/2017

Status: 7/11/2017-VOTE: Do pass as amended, but first amend, and re-refer to the Committee on [Appropriations]

Summary: Would establish a competitive grant program, to be administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs with existing funds, for purposes of awarding grant moneys to certified California veteran service providers for purposes of providing support to veterans and their families, as specified. The bill would require competitive grants to be awarded in support of the state's strategic plan for providing veterans with transition assistance. The bill would require the department to adopt regulations to implement the program and to define criteria for supporting the state's strategic plan.

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[SB 85](#)

(Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Education.

Current Text: Chaptered: 6/27/2017

Introduced: 1/11/2017

Last Amend: 6/11/2017

Status: 6/27/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 23, Statutes of 2017.

Summary: Current law provides for the attendance of apprentices at high schools, unified school districts, regional occupational centers or programs, community colleges, and adult schools under vocational education program standards that are established with the participation of the State Department of Education, the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards of the Department of Industrial Relations. Current law establishes standards for the provision of state funding and reimbursements for these programs at local educational agencies, as defined, separate from these programs at community colleges. This bill would, among other things, require the Controller to include instructions necessary to enforce provisions governing apprenticeship programs at local educational agencies in a specified audit guide.

[SB 103](#)

(Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Transportation.

Current Text: Enrolled: 7/7/2017

Introduced: 1/11/2017

Last Amend: 6/23/2017

Status: 7/6/2017-Assembly amendments concurred in. (Ayes 27. Noes 12.) Ordered to engrossing and enrolling.

Summary: Would require the Department of Transportation to develop and submit to the Legislature and specified legislative caucuses, by January 1, 2019, a detailed outreach plan intended to increase procurement opportunities for new and limited contracting small business enterprises, as defined, including, but not limited to, those owned by women, minority, disabled veterans, LGBT, and other disadvantaged groups, in all the department's transportation programs, to undertake specified outreach activities required to be included in the plan, and to update that plan and submit it to specified entities.

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SB 789 **(Newman D) California Apprenticeship Council: report.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/17/2017

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Status: 6/29/2017-Read second time. Ordered to consent calendar. From consent calendar on motion of Assembly Member Bonta. Ordered to inactive file on request of Assembly Member Bonta.

Summary: Current law requires the Chief of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards and the California Apprenticeship Council to report annually through the Director of Industrial Relations on the activities of the division and the council, and further requires that the report include specified information with respect to apprenticeship programs in this state. This bill would require the report to include an analysis of any apprenticeship standards or regulations that were proposed or adopted in the previous year.