

JLAC MEETING NOTES – October 14, 2015

1. Jeff Frost Report

a. **Bills Governor Signed**

- i. SB172, S. Liu, Exit Exam Bill; previously there had been a 1 year suspension, but Governor agree to a longer term suspension. Interesting = is that it is a prospective 3 year suspension of exit exam, also waives requirement retrospectively to 2003-2004. No onus on the districts to FIND students this may apply to. In Jeff's opinion, unlikely to see High school exit exam again.
- ii. AB1391 A. Gomez, PE Minutes Bill - ; brought by districts caught in PE minute trap; Bill clarified that you need to go through UCC action prior to court litigation, Doesn't apply retrospectively
- iii. AB1369 - A. Frasier, SPED Bill sponsored by Dyslexia Association, Bill was narrowed twice and then rider added for additional requirement of phonological (SP?) testing as improved screening for dyslexia, will create an unfunded mandate. Unclear if all kids have to be tested or if done in a more limited way.
- iv. AB288 A. Holden, Significant expansion of dual-enrollment, more expansive opportunity to dual enroll in high school/community college, focusing on career pathways.
- v. AB385 A. Campos, Expand Paternity/Maternity leaves, allows up to 12 weeks for paternity/maternity leave. Very little opposition to this bill. From employer position, will cost in substitutes, etc.
- vi. AB1012 A. Sawyer, Courses without Educational content - Desire by the author to force districts hand in warehousing students where they are not learning, However, there are numerous gray areas in this bill (like study hall), Opposed by CSBA, ACSA & CTA, but still passed.

b. **Governor Veto**

- i. AB47 - Preschool Bill, Veto message - 'these decisions should be made as a part of the budget process'

c. **2016 Elections:**

- i. 70 + initiatives that have the potential to be on ballot
 1. 9 billion School bond = Qualified and eligible for the ballot
 2. Statutory change on the Ballot = change English Only (from Prop 227), replace with more up to date approaches
 3. 2 competing Prop 30 measures -
 - a. CTA supported measure would extend prop 30 for 8 years, would not include sales tax component & would distribute in same manner as prop 30;
 - b. Competing measure (sponsored by health/child care/SEIU) - would make high income tax permanent; Polling show problematic to have both Prop 30 & Building bond on the ballot
 4. Other miscellaneous measures - Marijuana; Luxury property tax enhancement (could = 8 billion dollar revenue)

d. **Budget Reserve**

- i. S. Hill's changes were amended, had support. Difficulty came at end of legislative timeline w/ change of speaker. Jeff still thinks there is still an avenue for success, needs to be one set of reforms proposed by all stake holders

2. Plans/Priorities for 2015-2016

a. *Sacramento Trip - 1/21/15*

b. *Derek Knell introduced the process for formation of a Sub-Committee and will chair the subcommittee to revise the priorities for legislative agenda; Last year was major rewrite of the priorities from the previous year Sub-committee will meet (via phone), want list of priorities by November so Jeff Frost wants to line up speakers for January. Derek also asked that we look and see whether we still want to advance all the priorities on this document, since some are fairly lofty.*

i. *Discussed during the meeting*

1. *Civil responsibility/Early voter outreach in schools*

2. *Teacher shortage issues - any legislation aimed at either housing or closing the widening gap between need and enrollment in teaching credentialing programs*

ii. *Continuing to be strong interest:*

1. *Teacher performance; Parcel tax tiered rates; building super majority*

iii. *Please contact Derek & Ken for changes to priorities or to volunteer for sub committees*

3. Assembly Levine's Office Update

a. Marc is looking out for ideas/priorities from this group, but no updates on pending leg. At this time