

Federal, State & Local Legislative Report

(June 2016 – August 2016)

September 1, 2016

Federal Legislation

None to report

State Legislation (Session ending August 31, 2016)

CA AB 1508—Workforce Investment Boards: Funding

Amends an existing law which requires local workforce investment boards to spend a minimum percentage of specified funds for adults and dislocated workers on federally identified workforce training programs, which allows the boards to leverage specified funds, and which authorizes a credit of that funding minimum for leveraged funds, which include Pell Grants and employment training panel grants. Expands the types of services to which leveraged funds may be applied to include supportive services.

- ☐ Primary Sponsor: Assemblymember Kevin Mullin (D)
- ☐ Status: August 18, 2016— In Senate. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Rules. Held in committee.

CA AB 1697—Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program

Amends the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Program. Adds a project's ability to transition workers to, or promote employment in, the alternative and renewable fuels and vehicle technology sector as an additional preference criteria. Requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to collaborate with entities that have expertise in workforce development to implement the workforce development components of the program.

- ☐ Primary Sponsor: Assemblymember Susan Bonilla (D)
- ☐ Status: August 30, 2016—Enrolled and presented to Governor

CA AB 2285—State Employment: Foster Youth Job Readiness Training Pilot Program

Requires the Department of Human Resources to establish a class in the classification plan that would enable former foster youth who do not otherwise meet the eligibility criteria for any current class to obtain employment with the state. Requires the Department to establish an emancipated foster youth program to provide training for eventual jobs with State agencies. Requires a job readiness training program for eligible participants in Sacramento County.

- ☐ Primary Sponsor: Assemblymember Kevin McCarty (D)
- ☐ Status: August 11, 2016—In Senate Committee on Appropriations: Held in committee.

CA AB 2288—Apprenticeship Programs: Building and Construction Trades

Requires the Workforce Development Board and each local board to ensure that federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 funds respectively awarded for pre-apprenticeship training in the building and construction trades fund programs and services that

follow the Multi-Craft Core Curriculum implemented by the State Department of Education that increase representation of women in those trades.

- ☐ Primary Sponsor: Assemblymember Autumn R. Burke (D)
- ☐ Status: August 29, 2016—Enrolled and awaiting delivery to Governor

CA AB 2448—CalWORKs: Welfare-to-Work: Education

Provides that if a county determines that a CalWORK's recipient has not received his or her high school diploma or its equivalent, the recipient may participate in an equivalency program in order to complete an equivalency test. Authorizes the recipient to participate in a high school equivalency program in lieu of participating in a job search or job club. Prohibits requiring the recipient to participate in an assessment before engaging in the program.

- ☐ Primary Sponsor: Assemblymember Autumn R. Burke (D)
- ☐ Status: August 26, 2016—Enrolled and presented to Governor

CA AB 2653—Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Report

Requires the Department of Finance to include additional information in its annual report to the Legislature including the greenhouse gas emission reductions attributable to each project and geographic location, industry sector, and number of employees the business entities receiving moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Requires State agencies expending moneys from the Fund to condition the acceptance thereof on the recipient providing information necessary to meet the reporting requirements.

- ☐ Primary Sponsor: Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia (D)
- ☐ Status: August 11, 2016—In Senate Committee on Appropriations: Held in committee.

CA SB 66—Career Technical Education

Requires the Department of Community Affairs to make available to the Office of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges any licensure information the Department has in electronic format for its boards, bureaus, commissions, or programs for the sole purpose of enabling the Office to measure employment outcomes of students who participate in career technical education programs offered by the California Community Colleges and recommend how these program may be improved.

- ☐ Primary Sponsor: Senator Connie M. Leyva (D)
- ☐ Status: August 31, 2016—In Senate. Senate concurred in Assembly amendments. To enrollment.

L.A. County Board of Supervisors - Motions

Implementing a Local Small Business and Social Enterprise Utilization Plan

On July 12, 2016 the County Board of Supervisors (BOS) approved a motion proposed by Supervisors Mark Ridley-Thomas (2nd District) and Hilda L. Solis (1st District) to adopt the Small Business, Disabled Veteran-Owned Business and Social Enterprise Utilization Plan (Utilization Plan) that was submitted to the BOS on May 24, 2016 by the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business (DCBA) Affairs to achieve County-wide procurement goals of twenty-five percent (25%) for certified Local Small Business Enterprises (LSBEs) and three (3%) for Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises (DVBES) by 2020, and for implementing a certification program for Social Enterprises (SEs). Under this motion, Community and Senior Services (CSS), with assistance from DCBA, has been tasked with developing and conducting a pilot

program that creates a set aside program to contract only with certified SEs that have experience in employing individuals with barriers to employment.

Adoption of the Utilization Plan is expected to have a tremendous impact on small businesses and social enterprises in the County. The more than 200,000 small businesses in the County account for half of the region's 3.5 million jobs and are the foundation of the regional economy. With successful implementation and promotion of these efforts, the County will encourage the establishment of new businesses, stimulate growth in existing small businesses, and add to the economic stability of the region.

Prop 47 Consolidated Presentation to the Board of Supervisors

Comprehensive presentation for all County Prop 47 related efforts and initiatives, which includes a presentation of the Prop 47 Jobs & Services Taskforce final report, scheduled for Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration.

The Prop 47 Jobs & Services Taskforce (also known as Prop 47 Taskforce II), was launched on April 1, 2016 to develop a report that will outline strategies, best practices, and recommendations to accomplish two mandates established in a December 2015 Board of Supervisor Motion:

1. Launch public-private partnerships to create a pipeline for reclassified individuals to access workforce development, vocational training, apprenticeships, educational programs and services that lead to sustainable employment; and
2. Link reclassified individuals to wrap-around services, such as substance abuse treatment, housing, mental health treatment, and general health care.