



CSFC Priority Bill List as of April 22, 2024

Priority Bills

- AB 247 (Muratsuchi D) Education finance: school facilities: Transitional Kindergarten Through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2024.**
Last Amend: 7/13/2023
Status: 9/1/2023-In committee: Held under submission.
Location: 8/21/2023-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE
Summary: Would set forth the Transitional Kindergarten Through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2024 as a state general obligation bond act that would provide \$14,000,000,000 to construct and modernize education facilities, as specified. This bond act would become operative only if approved by the voters at an unspecified 2024 statewide election. The bill would also provide for the submission of the bond act to the voters at that election.
Position: Support
- AB 1851 (Holden D) Drinking water: schoolsites: lead testing pilot program.**
Last Amend: 4/8/2024
Status: 4/9/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
Location: 4/4/2024-A. APPR.
Calendar: 4/24/2024 9:30 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100 ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, WICKS, BUFFY, Chair
Summary: Would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction, if an appropriation is made for this purpose, to establish a pilot program to test for and remediate lead contamination in drinking water at participating local educational agency facilities with plumbing that was installed before January 1, 2010. The bill would require the Superintendent to select no fewer than 6 and no more than 10 local educational agencies for participation in the pilot program and, if a selected local educational agency consents to participate in the pilot program, the bill would require the Superintendent to provide grants to the participating local educational agencies for testing and remediating drinking water lead levels at eligible facilities. If sampling results show lead levels in excess of 5 parts per billion for any potable water system outlet, the bill would require a participating local educational agency to notify the parents and guardians of pupils who attend the school of the elevated lead levels, as provided, to take immediate steps to shut down all potable water system outlets where excess lead levels may exist, and to ensure that a lead-free source of drinking water is provided for pupils at each potable water system outlet that has been shut down.
Position: Watch
- AB 2009 (Rendon D) School districts: public contracts.**
Last Amend: 4/1/2024
Status: 4/3/2024-In committee: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.
Location: 2/12/2024-A. ED.
Summary: Current law requires the governing board of a school district to let contracts for public projects, as defined, involving an expenditure of \$15,000 or more, to the lowest responsible bidder who gives security as the governing board requires. This bill would instead require the governing board to let contracts for public projects when the expenditure is \$34,500 or more to the above-described lowest responsible bidder. The bill would additionally require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to annually adjust the \$34,500 amount, commencing on January 1, 2026.
Position: Watch
- AB 2192 (Carrillo, Juan D) Public agencies: cost accounting standards.**
Last Amend: 3/18/2024
Status: 3/19/2024-Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.
Location: 3/18/2024-A. L. GOV.

Calendar: 4/24/2024 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 447 ASSEMBLY LOCAL GOVERNMENT, CARRILLO, JUAN, Chair

Summary: The Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act authorizes a public agency, whose governing board has by resolution elected, to become subject to uniform construction cost accounting procedures. Current law provides for the development of cost accounting standards and an alternative method for the bidding of public works projects by public entities. The act defines “public project” to include, among other things, construction, reconstruction, erection, alteration, renovation, improvement, demolition, and repair work involving any publicly owned, leased, or operated facility. This bill would define “public project” to additionally include installations involving any publicly owned, leased, or operated facility.

Position: Watch

AB 2565 (McCarty D) School facilities: interior locks.

Last Amend: 4/1/2024

Status: 4/10/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

Location: 4/10/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Would require a charter school, school district, or county office of education serving pupils in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, that undertakes an addition, alteration, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or retrofit of a school building, to install interior locks on each door of any room with an occupancy of 5 or more persons in that school building, except as provided. By placing a new requirement on local educational agencies, the bill would constitute a state-mandated local program

Position: Watch

SB 28 (Glazer D) Education finance: school facilities: Public Preschool, K-12, and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2024.

Status: 9/1/2023-September 1 hearing postponed by committee.

Location: 8/16/2023-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Current law authorizes the governing board of any school district or community college district to order an election and submit to the electors of the district the question of whether the bonds of the district shall be issued and sold to raise money for specified purposes. Current law generally requires, to pass a school bond measure, that either at least 2/3 of the votes cast on the proposition of issuing bonds be in favor of issuing the bonds to pass the measure, or, if certain conditions are met, at least 55% of the votes cast on the proposition of issuing bonds be in favor of issuing the bonds. Current law prohibits the total amount of bonds issued by a school district or community college district from exceeding 1.25% of the taxable property of the district, as provided. This bill would raise that limit to 2%.

Position: Neutral

SB 956 (Cortese D) School facilities: design-build contracts.

Status: 4/9/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

Location: 4/9/2024-S. THIRD READING

Calendar: 4/22/2024 #27 SENATE SENATE BILLS -THIRD READING FILE

Summary: Current law, until January 1, 2025, 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. Current law requires specified information to be verified under penalty of perjury. This bill would delete the provision making this authorization inoperative on January 1, 2025, thereby extending it indefinitely.

Position: Support

SB 1091 (Menjivar D) School facilities: school ground greening projects.

Last Amend: 3/14/2024

Status: 4/16/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

Location: 4/16/2024-S. THIRD READING

Calendar: 4/22/2024 #37 SENATE SENATE BILLS -THIRD READING FILE

Summary: The California Building Standards Code requires that specified buildings, structures, and facilities be accessible to, and useable by, persons with disabilities, including that when alterations or additions are made to existing buildings or facilities, an accessible path of travel to the specific area of alteration or addition is provided. Current law limits the cost of complying with the requirement to provide an accessible path of travel to a free-standing, open-sided shade structure project that meets specified requirements and that is on a school district, county office of education, charter school, or community college campus to 20% of the adjusted construction cost, as defined, of the shade structure project. This bill would additionally limit the cost of complying with the requirement to provide an accessible path of travel to a school ground greening project, as defined, that is on a school district, county office of education, charter school, or community college campus to 20% of the adjusted construction cost, as defined, of the school ground greening project.

Position: Watch

SB 1182 (Gonzalez D) Master Plan for Healthy, Sustainable, and Climate-Resilient Schools.

Status: 4/15/2024-April 15 hearing: Placed on APPR suspense file.

Location: 4/15/2024-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to develop contingency plans to deal with possible shortages of electricity or fuel supplies to protect public health, safety, and welfare. Current law establishes the Clean Energy Job Creation Program for purposes of funding projects for, among other things, energy efficiency retrofits and clean energy installations, and related improvements and repairs that contribute to reduced operating costs and improved health and safety conditions, on public schools. Current law requires certain moneys appropriated for purposes of the program to be allocated to local educational agencies, as specified. Current law authorizes the commission to adjust the funding allocation to local educational agencies and requires the commission, in allocating grants to local educational agencies, to give priority to certain local educational agencies, as provided. This bill would require the commission to develop a Master Plan for Healthy, Sustainable, and Climate-Resilient Schools on or before March 31, 2026. The bill would require the commission to consult with specified state agencies and engage with a diverse group of stakeholders and experts regarding the development of the master plan, as provided. The bill would require the master plan to include specified elements, including, but not limited to, assessments of a representative sample of the state's public elementary and secondary school buildings and grounds, as provided, and a set of priorities, benchmarks, and milestones for health, resilience, and decarbonization of public school campuses and support facilities.

Position: Watch

SB 1374 (Becker D) Net energy metering.

Last Amend: 3/18/2024

Status: 4/4/2024-Set for hearing April 22.

Location: 2/29/2024-S. E. U., & C.

Calendar: 4/22/2024 3 p.m. or upon adjournment of Session - 1021 O Street, Room 1200 SENATE ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS, BRADFORD, STEVEN, Chair

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to develop a standard contract or tariff, which may include net energy metering, for eligible customer-generators, as defined, with a renewable electrical generation facility, as defined, that is a customer of a large electrical corporation. Current law requires, in developing the standard contract or tariff for large electrical corporations, the commission to take specified actions. This bill would require, no later than July 1, 2025, the commission to ensure that any contract or tariff established by the commission pursuant to the above described provisions for renewable electrical generation facilities configured to serve either multiple customers with meters on a single property, or multiple meters of a single customer on a property or a set of contiguous properties owned, leased, or rented by the customer, meets certain requirements, including that eligible customer-generators are authorized to elect to aggregate the electrical load, as specified.

Position: Coalition Support

Watch Bills

AB 1864 (Connolly D) Pesticides: agricultural use near schoolsites: notification and reporting.

Last Amend: 4/1/2024

Status: 4/10/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on ED. (Ayes 5. Noes 1.) (April 9).
Re-referred to Com. on ED.

Location: 4/10/2024-A. ED.

Calendar: 4/24/2024 1:30 p.m. - 1021 O Street, Room
1100 ASSEMBLY EDUCATION, MURATSUCHI, AL, Chair

Summary: Would require an agricultural commissioner of a county to require a notice of intent to be submitted before a person applies a pesticide within 1/4 mile of a schoolsite, as specified. The bill would require the Department of Pesticide Regulation to require a separate site identification number for the portion of an agricultural field that lies within 1/4 mile of a schoolsite. The bill would also require the department, for permit applications for agricultural use of pesticides designated as restricted materials, notices of intent for pesticide use, and pesticide use reporting forms and procedures, as they pertain to an agricultural field of which any portion lies within 1/4 mile of a schoolsite, to require reporting on the specific method of applying the pesticide and, as applicable, certain information relating to the dates and times of the pesticide application, as specified. The bill would require the Director of Pesticide Regulation, in evaluating a county's pesticide use enforcement program, to evaluate the county's effectiveness in enforcing specified laws and regulations regarding applying pesticides near schoolsites. The bill would require the director, on or before December 31, 2026, to expand the scope of specified related regulations to also apply to private schools serving pupils in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, with an enrollment of 6 or more pupils. The bill would require, on January 1, 2025, and annually thereafter, the State Department of Education to provide the Department of Pesticide Regulation and the commissioner of each county with information available to the State Department of Education regarding the location of those private schools. The bill would exempt a school conducted in a person's residence from these provisions.

AB 2831 (Hoover R) School facilities: Office of Small School Facilities and Construction.

Last Amend: 4/1/2024

Status: 4/17/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

Location: 4/17/2024-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: This bill would require the State Department of Education to establish the Office of Small School Facilities and Construction to provide assistance and guidance to small school districts, as defined. The bill would require, upon request of a small school district, the department to provide assistance in the evaluation and utilization of existing school facilities and the justification of the need of schoolsites, new facilities, and the rehabilitation or replacement of existing facilities, in accordance with board regulations. The bill would require this assistance to include, among other things, providing assistance in the assessment of school facility conditions and providing technical assistance and supportive services. The bill would require the department, in collaboration with the Office of Public School Construction, to provide assistance and guidance to small school districts in the identification, application, and acquisition of state school facilities funding for the construction and development of school facilities. The bill would require this assistance to include, among other things, annually informing small school districts of the availability of state school facilities funding for which they may qualify and responding to requests for assistance in identifying and determining state requirements to become eligible and apply for state facilities funding. The bill would require the department to assign requisite staff to the office to provide direct assistance and support to small school districts.

AB 3070 (Bonta D) School buildings: construction plans: climate change.

Status: 3/21/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Location: 3/11/2024-A. ED.

Summary: Current law imposes specified duties on the State Allocation Board with respect to the allocation and expenditure of state funds for the construction of public school facilities. Current law requires the board to obtain construction plans for school buildings appropriate for school districts in various climates and geographical conditions of the state and requires the plans to meet the needs of school districts that require school buildings of various sizes. Current law authorizes these plans to include designs that promote, among other things, the efficient use of energy and water. This bill would expressly authorize the above-described plans to also include designs that promote the use of materials and strategies to address climate change.

- AB 3186 (Petrie-Norris D) Public works: prevailing wages: access to records.**
Last Amend: 4/8/2024
Status: 4/18/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 5. Noes 0.) (April 17). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
Location: 4/18/2024-A. APPR.
Summary: Current law requires each contractor and subcontractor on a public works project to keep accurate payroll records, showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker, or other employee employed by the contractor or subcontractor in connection with the public work. Current law requires any copy of records made available for inspection as copies and furnished upon request to the public or any public agency to be marked or obliterated to prevent disclosure of an individual's name, address, and social security number but specifies that any copy of records made available to a Taft-Hartley trust fund for the purposes of allocating contributions to participants be marked or obliterated only to prevent disclosure of an individual's full social security number, as specified. This bill would require each contractor and subcontractor performing work on any public works project and any covered entity, as defined for these purposes as a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, or other legal entity, that develops or undertakes such project, to make specified records available upon request to the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, to multiemployer Taft-Hartley trust funds, and to joint labor-management committees, as specified. The bill would also apply this requirement to contractors, subcontractors, and covered entities that are developing, undertaking, or performing work on a development project for which contractors are required to maintain and verify payroll records, as specified. The bill would subject a contractor, subcontractor, or covered entity, for failing to comply with the provisions of this act, to a penalty by the commissioner, as specified, and would deposit the penalties into a specified fund.
- SB 1162 (Cortese D) Public contracts: employment compliance reports and payroll records: workers' dates of birth.**
Last Amend: 4/1/2024
Status: 4/18/2024-Re-referred to Com. on JUD.
Location: 4/18/2024-S. JUD.
Calendar: 4/23/2024 9:30 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 112 SENATE JUDICIARY, UMBERG, THOMAS, Chair
Summary: Existing law establishes requirements that apply when a public entity is required by statute or regulation to obtain an enforceable commitment that a bidder, contractor, or other entity will use a skilled and trained workforce to complete a contract or project. Existing law requires the enforceable commitment to provide that the contractor, bidder, or other entity will provide to the public entity or other awarding body a report on a monthly basis demonstrating its compliance with these requirements. This bill would additionally require the enforceable commitment to provide that the above-described report will include the date of birth of each worker. This bill contains other existing laws.
- SB 1325 (Durazo D) Public contracts: best value procurement: goods.**
Last Amend: 4/10/2024
Status: 4/17/2024-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 5. Noes 2.) (April 17). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
Location: 4/17/2024-S. APPR.
Calendar: 4/29/2024 10 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 2200 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, CABALLERO, ANNA, Chair
Summary: Current law imposes requirements on, and authorizes procedures for, public contracting for equipment and services, among other things, by local and state agencies. Current law authorizes certain procurements to be facilitated through a lowest responsible bidder requirement. This bill would authorize a public entity, as defined, to award contracts through a best value procurement method, as described, for the purchase of goods with a base value of \$250,000 or more. The bill would require the public entity to adopt and publish procedures and guidelines for evaluating the qualifications of the bidders to ensure the best value selections are conducted in a fair and impartial manner, as described.

The bill would authorize the procedures and guidelines to include the adoption of a high road jobs plan policy that evaluates bidders' high road jobs plan commitments as part of the overall score for the public contract, as specified. This bill would require the solicitation document to include certain information and would direct the public entity to use a scoring method based on price and the factors described in the solicitation document, as specified.

Total Measures: 16