

## **AB 39 (Muratsuchi)** | Education finance: LCFF funding increase

**AB 39** increases the Local Control Funding Formula base grant targets equivalent to the national average in per-pupil funding. Funding for the bill includes any future anticipated growth in Proposition 98 and specified appropriations for LCFF.

*AB 39 adjusts the LCFF base grant targets as follows:*

- » **\$13,462** for ADA in kindergarten & grades 1-3
- » **\$12,377** for ADA in grades 4-6
- » **\$12,745** for ADA in grades 7 and 8
- » **\$15,152** for ADA in grades 9-12

AB 39 is a reintroduction of **AB 2808 (Muratsuchi)** from 2018, which was held in the Assembly and not passed by the Legislature; AB 2808 was also co-sponsored by CSBA. AB 39 was amended on March 18 to include higher base grant target amounts (as shown above) than were proposed in both in the original version of this bill and in AB 2808 last year.

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## **AB 760 (Cooper)** | Education finance: Transportation COLA

**AB 760** would reinstate an annual COLA to home-to-school transportation to address cost increases in areas including personnel, insurance, and fuel. The bill would also dedicate an amount equal to the annual COLA (3.46 percent in the current 2019-20 budget proposal) as part of a long process to equalize reimbursement rates. The equalization rate in no case would be less than 1 percent of the state's budget for the home-to-school transportation program.

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## **AB 428 (Medina, O'Donnell et al.)** | Special education

**AB 428** would remedy several long-standing deficiencies in California's special education finance system, providing resources to help students with disabilities reach their full potential. Among other things, AB 428 would equalize base special education funding rates (pursuant to AB 602) to the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile, establish a funding formula within AB 602 for programs serving preschoolers with disabilities, and create a high-cost service allowance to provide additional funding for those with significant high-cost disabilities.

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## **AB 1303 (O'Donnell)** | Career Technical Education

**AB 1303** would redirect the K-12 portion of funding for Career Technical Education from the California Community College Chancellor's Office to the California Department of Education, in the effort to ensure that Career Technical Education remains a K-12-administered program. The bill would also make programmatic changes to encourage greater participation in CTE, in the effort to expand the program and provide access to more students. The bill also appropriates \$450 million to the K-12 program.

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## **AB 751 (O'Donnell)** | Pathways to College Act

**AB 751** would allow local education agencies the flexibility to administer an alternate assessment (such as the SAT or ACT) for 11<sup>th</sup> grade students in place of the Smarter Balanced Summative Test, if the alternate test is approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. Administering alternate assessments during the school day removes a barrier to college attendance for many students who may not otherwise have access to these exams or may not take them on their own.

[Newly released data from Education Week](#) shows that only 15 U.S. states will administer Smarter Balanced or similar exams in 2019 (five fewer than in 2016 and 2017), while 32 states utilize an alternate assessment, including the SAT and ACT tests.

AB 751 is a reintroduction of **AB 1951 (O'Donnell)** from 2018, which was passed by the Legislature but vetoed by Gov. Brown. AB 1951 was also co-sponsored by CSBA

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## **SCA 5 (Hill & Allen)** | School districts: parcel tax

**SCA 5** proposes to amend the California Constitution to reduce the required two-thirds voter approval threshold to 55 percent to pass school district parcel taxes. If passed by the Legislature, SCA 5 would appear on the statewide ballot in 2020.

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