

Governor agreed with Federation

Bill	Author	Topic	CFT Position	Governor's Action
AB 37	Furutani, Warren (D)	Public postsecondary education: honorary degrees.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
AB 65	Hayashi, Mary (D)	Public employee health benefits: vision care: local, school, and university members.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
AB 239	Brownley, Julia (D)	Teacher credentialing.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
AB 260	Lieu, Ted (D)	Lending.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
AB 381	Block, Martin (D)	Unemployment compensation disability benefits: academic employees.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
AB 386	Ruskin, Ira (D)	Public postsecondary education: instructional materials: disabled students.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
AB 483	Buchanan, Joan (D)	Workers' compensation: Internet Web sites.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
AB 506	Furutani, Warren (D)	State teachers' retirement: postretirement earnings.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
ABX3 23	Coto, Joe (D)	Unemployment insurance: extended benefits.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
SB 48	Alquist, Elaine (D)	College textbooks: electronic versions.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
SB 54	Leno, Mark (D)	Family law: out-of-state same-sex marriages.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
SB 147	DeSaulnier, Mark (D)	California State University: career technical education courses.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
SB 171	Payley, Fran (D)	Certificated employees: medical certificates.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
SB 186	DeSaulnier, Mark (D)	Workers' compensation: medical treatment: predesignation of physician.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
SB 247	Alquist, Elaine (D)	Instructional materials.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
SB 519	Ashburn, Roy (R)	Public employment.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
SB 572	Leno, Mark (D)	Harvey Milk Day: official designation.	SUPPORT	SIGNED
SB 751	Romero, Gloria (D)	Teacher credentials.	SUPPORT	SIGNED

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AB 1	Monning, William (D)	Teachers: program of professional growth: conflict resolution.	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 2	De La Torre, Hector (D)	Individual health care coverage.	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 8	Brownley, Julia (D)	Education finance: working group	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 48	Portantino, Anthony (D)	Private postsecondary education: California Private Postsecondary Education Act of 2009.	OPPOSE	SIGNED
AB 146	Mendoza, Tony (D)	Instructional materials: delivery.	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 244	Beall, Jim (D)	Health care coverage: mental health services	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 267	Torlakson, Tom (D)	Education finance districts: taxes.	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 332	Fuentes, Felipe (D)	Work-based learning.	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 339	Torres, Norma (D)	Education finance: county offices of education.	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 429	Brownley, Julia (D)	Public school accountability: advisory committee	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 476	Torlakson, Tom (D)	Standardized Testing and Reporting Program.	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 838	Swanson, Sandre (D)	Occupational safety and health.	SUPPORT	VETOED
AB 1510	Eng, Mike (D)	Public schools: parental access.	SUPPORT	VETOED
SB 84	Senate BFR	Education Finance	SUPPORT	VETOED
SB 242	Yee, Leland (D)	Civil rights: language restrictions.	SUPPORT	VETOED
SB 248	Oropeza, Jenny (D)	Educational equity: Title IX.	SUPPORT	VETOED
SB 592	Romero, Gloria (D)	Charter Schools Facilities Program.	OPPOSE	SIGNED

Session Overview 2009

Sponsored Bills

Ideas for CFT-sponsored legislation come from a number of sources. CFT members communicate their ideas for legislation through governance meetings and adopt resolutions at Convention. When the Convention adopts a sponsored bill program, CFT lobbyists work to secure legislators to author the bills, and see the bills through the legislative process to the governor's desk. The progress of sponsored bills through the legislative process appears on a grid, and CFT-sponsored bills are shaded in the body of this report.

Taking and Reporting Positions on Bills

After the sponsored bill grid, Assembly bills, resolutions and constitutional amendments appear first, followed by Senate bills, resolutions, and constitutional amendments. A WATCH recommendation may mean that the bill has both good and bad points, or that, as introduced, it is so vague that a SUPPORT or OPPOSE recommendation is not appropriate. As these bills develop, the staff recommends a position, in accordance with guidelines established by the Convention, to the Legislative Committee, a standing committee of the Executive Council.

CFT Philosophy

In addition to the objectives outlined in our constitution, the California Federation of Teachers takes positions on social, economic and cultural issues underlying CFT's mission. The Federation demonstrates its adherence to this set of ideals in stands it takes on legislation and initiatives, in its endorsements of candidates at all levels, and in its distribution of Committee on Political Education (COPE) funds.

We support these policies and positions because education does not take place in a vacuum but in the real world. Changes in that world, whether political, social, economic or philosophical, affect students and education workers, making their tasks more difficult as they struggle to adjust the educational process to external forces. Attention to socio-economic issues makes it possible to address educational issues more clearly.

Thus, the California Federation of Teachers is committed to

- A progressive system of taxation to achieve adequate funding of education and other social programs;
- An end to violence, racism, sexism and other forms of intolerance;
- A guarantee of a minimum level of health care, food and housing to every member of society;
- An increase of civic involvement by all members of society;
- An improvement in the democratic processes of government;
- A governmental policy addressing full employment;
- Providing universal child care;
- Education regarding nutrition and health living requirements;
- Reform in labor law in order to equalize the balance of power between labor and management;
- The protection of the environment;
- Democracy, freedom and social responsibility in the United States and the rest of the world.

Legislation Affecting Early Childhood and K-12 Education

Bill	Author	Position	Title
AB 1	Monning	Support	Teacher Professional Growth
AB 8	Brownley	Support	Education Finance Working Group
AB 60	Coto	Watch	Weighted Pupil Funding Formulas
AB 70	Duvall	Watch	English Learners
AB 71	Duvall	Watch	Categorical Block Grants
AB 72	Duvall	Oppose	California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System
AB 78	Portantino	Watch	Concurrent enrollment in Community College and Secondary School
AB 97	Torlakson	Support	School Curriculum Content Standards
AB 122	Coto	Watch	Small Schools
AB 132	Mendoza	Watch	School Safety: Immigration Investigations
AB 146	Mendoza	Support	Guaranteed Delivery of Instructional Materials
AB 164	Mendoza	Watch	Compensation of School District Superintendents
AB 173	Price	Watch	Public School Accountability Performance Index
AB 211	Mendoza	Sponsor	School Safety Door Locks
AB 220	Brownley	Support	Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2009
AB 223	Ma	Oppose	San Francisco JROTC Program
AB 239	Brownley	Support	Teacher Credentialing Omnibus
AB 261	Salas	Watch	Student Privacy
AB 267	Torlakson	Support	Education Finance Districts
AB 272	Solorio	Watch	Professional Development for Teachers
AB 284	Garrick	Oppose	State Board of Education Authorizing Charter Schools
AB 332	Fuentes	Support	Work-based Learning
AB 339	Torres	Support	Federal Funding for County Offices of Education
AB 346	Torlakson	Watch	Joint-use School Facilities
AB 364	Torlakson	Watch	California After School Teacher Pipeline Program
AB 379	Torlakson	Sponsor	Evaluation of Personnel Commission Director
AB 429	Brownley	Support	The Public Schools Accountability Act of 1999 Advisory Committee
AB 451	De Leon	Watch	The Opportunity to Learn Block Grant
AB 476	Torlakson	Support	The Standardized Testing and Reporting Program (STAR)

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Bill	Author	Position	Title
AB 482	Mendoza	Watch	English Learners: Instructional Materials
AB 495	Davis	Watch	Preschool: Data Collection
AB 533	Hayashi	Watch	Training for High School Coaches
AB 534	Duvall	Oppose	Military Recruiters at Career Fairs
AB 548	Krekorian	Support	State Mandates
AB 554	Furutani	Support	Career Technical Graduation Requirements
AB 555	Portantino	Watch	Community College and K-12 Partnerships
AB 629	Krekorian	Watch	School Facilities: Water Lead Levels
AB 661	Torlakson	Watch	Special Education Funding
AB 668	Lieu	Watch	Firearms: Gun-Free School Zones
AB 683	Chesbro	Support	Program Improvement Local Educational Agencies
AB 769	Torres	Watch	Eligibility of State Preschool services
AB 826	Buchanan	Watch	Special Education Local Plan Areas Funding
AB 836	Torlakson	Watch	Task Force for Education Technology
AB 932	Torlakson	Watch	Child Care and Development Services: facilities
AB 972	Strickland	Watch	School District Administrative Costs
AB 980	Swanson	Support	Emergency Apportionment Repayments and Charter Schools
AB 1124	Yamada	Support	Special Education Due Process Hearings
AB 1127	Solorio	Support	Automatic Fire Sprinkler System for School Facilities
AB 1130	Solorio	Watch	Academic Performance Index
AB 1223	Block	Watch	Teacher Professional Development
AB 1231	Portantino	Co-Sponsor	Part-time Adult Education Teachers: collective bargaining
AB 1267	Eng	Sponsor	Extend Teacher's Longevity Incentive
AB 1349	Torlakson	Support	Amendments to After School Education and Safety Program Act of 2002
AB 1390	Blumenfield	Watch	School Security and Police Departments: criminal activity involving firearms
AB 1430	Swanson	Support	School Nurses
AB 1435	Perez, M	Support If Amended	Public School Accountability Performance Index
AB 1510	Eng	Support	Parental Rights to Oral Interpreters
ABX3 32	Silva	Oppose	Layoff Notification for Certificated Employees
ACR 54	Brownley	Sponsor	Equitable School Funding
AJR 10	Torlakson	Sponsor	Repeal Social Security Offset/WEP

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SB 1	Steinberg	Support	Healthy Children
SB 84	Sen BFR	Support	Education Finance
SB 100	Correa	Watch	Teacher Preparation Programs
SB 147	DeSaulnier	Support	Career Technical Education Courses
SB 155	Wright	Support	Loans for Prospective School Nurses
SB 171	Pavley	Support	Medical Certificates for Certificated Employees
SB 199	Ducheny	Support	California Subject Matter Project
SB 247	Alquist	Support	Electronic Instructional Materials
SB 248	Oropeza	Support	School Posting Requirements: educational equity
SB 266	Huff	Oppose	Public School Open Enrollment
SB 307	Alquist	Support	Funding of Regional Occupational Centers and Programs
SB 315	Liu	Watch	Pupil Safety: walking schoolbus
SB 381	Wright	Watch	High School Graduation Requirements
SB 426	Yee	Support	Curriculum Framework Legislative Resolutions
SB 515	Hancock	Support	Career Technical Education and High Priority Workforce Needs
SB 521	Romero	Watch	CELDT: Administration Dates
SB 540	Romero	Oppose	Education Mandate Bill
SB 592	Romero	Oppose	School Facilities
SB 621	Florez	Support	Career Technical Education for Individuals with Exceptional Needs
SB 680	Romero	Watch	School District of Choice Reauthorization
SB 688	Romero	Oppose	Teacher Evaluation by Students
SB 725	Hancock	Support	California Apprenticeship Preparation Program
SB 742	Romero	Oppose	Lowest Performing Schools
SB 751	Romero	Support	Out-of-Country Credentialing
SB 800	Hancock	Support	Second Grade Testing
SBX5 1	Romero	Oppose	Race to the Top
SBX5 2	Simitian	Watch	Education Data