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**BILLS OF INTEREST – 2011- 2012 REGULAR SESSION**

**BUDGET**

**AB 1463**                   **(Blumenfield) 2012-13 Budget**  
**Current Text:** Introduced: 1/10/2012  
**Location:** 3/12/2012-A. BUDGET  
**Summary:** This bill would make appropriations for support of state government for the 2012-13 fiscal year. This bill contains other related provisions.

**SB 957**                   **(Leno) 2012-13 Budget**  
**Current Text:** Introduced: 1/10/2012  
**Location:** 1/10/2012-S. BUDGET & FISCAL REVIEW  
**Summary:** This bill would make appropriations for support of state government for the 2012-13 fiscal year. This bill contains other related provisions.

**ASSEMBLY**

**AB 171**                   **(Beall) Autism Spectrum Disorder**  
**Current Text:** Amended: 1/23/2012  
**Location:** 2/16//2012- S. HEALTH  
**Summary:** This bill would require health care service plan contracts and health insurance policies to provide coverage for the screening, diagnosis, and treatment of autism spectrum disorders. The bill would, however, provide that no benefits are required to be provided by a health benefit plan offered through the California Health Benefit Exchange that exceed the essential health benefits required under federal law. The bill would prohibit coverage from being denied for specified reasons.

**AB 1673**

**(Mitchell) Child Care: Eligibility**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/14/2012

**Location:** 3/29/2012-A. SECOND READING

**Summary:** This bill would require that once a child of a migrant agricultural worker family is enrolled in a migrant child care and development program that the child be deemed eligible for these services for a period of 12 months unless the child no longer resides in the state or the child is deceased.

**AB 1738**

**(Huffman) Health Care Coverage: Tobacco Cessation**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/16/2012

**Location:** 3/1/2012-A. HEALTH

**Summary:** This bill would require health care service plan contracts and health insurance policies issued, amended, renewed, or delivered on or after January 1, 2013, to provide coverage for 2 courses of treatment in a 12-month period for tobacco cessation preventive services, and would prohibit plans and insurers from charging a copayment, coinsurance, or deductible for those services. The bill would also prohibit a plan or insurer from requiring enrollees or insureds to enter counseling in order to receive tobacco cessation medications or from imposing prior authorization or stepped-care requirements on tobacco cessation treatments.

**AB 1772**

**(Buchanan) Compulsory Kindergarten**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/29/2012

**Location:** 3/29/2012-A. EDUCATION

**Summary:** Under existing law, a person between the ages of 6 and 18 years who is not exempted by law is subject to compulsory full-time education. Existing law excludes a child under 6 years of age from the public schools, subject to specified exceptions. This bill would require a child to attend compulsory kindergarten if he or she meets the age requirements for admission to kindergarten, subject to specified exemptions. By increasing the duration of compulsory education, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

**AB 1820**

**(Block) Child Safety: Day Care Facilities: Push Pins**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/29/2012

**Location:** 3/29/2012-A. HUM. SERVICES

**Summary:** This bill would require a licensed child day care facilities, preschools, and kindergarten classrooms to prohibit the use or possession of push pins in any area of the facility accessible to children 6 years of age or younger.

**AB 1853**

**(Bonilla) Teacher Credentialing: Transitional Kindergarten Certificate**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/29/2012

**Location:** 3/29/2012-A. EDUCATION

**Summary:** This bill would require the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (Commission), in consultation with specified representatives, to establish standards for the issuance of a transitional kindergarten certificate and a transitional kindergarten specialized training recognition that would authorize the holder of a teaching credential to provide instruction to pupils in transitional kindergarten. The bill would provide that a school district, a county office of education, a community college district, the California State University, the University of California, or a regionally accredited college or university that is approved by the Commission may sponsor a transitional kindergarten certificate or transitional kindergarten specialized training recognition program. The bill also would allow the Commission to develop rules and regulations for the approval of a training program leading to the issuance of a transitional kindergarten certificate, a transitional kindergarten specialized training recognition, or both, and would require the Commission to issue a transitional kindergarten certificate or a transitional kindergarten specialized training recognition to a holder of a teaching credential who meets the established standards.

**AB 1923**

**(Mendoza) Special Education: Staff Development**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/22/2012

**Location:** 2/22/2012-A. PRINT

**Summary:** Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to the extent possible using federal and state funds appropriated for this purpose, to provide staff development to child care center staff and family day care providers to improve child care services to individuals with exceptional needs. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to this provision. (Spot Bill)

**AB 2104**

**(Gordon) Child Care: State Preschool Programs**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/23/2012

**Location:** 3/28/2012-A. APPROPRIATIONS

**Summary:** This bill would provide that state preschool programs shall include, but not be limited to, part-day and full-day age and developmentally appropriate programs designed to facilitate the transition to kindergarten for 3- and 4-year-old children. The bill would require state preschool programs, as a condition of receipt of specific funds, to coordinate the provision of (a) opportunities for parents and legal guardians to work with their children on interactive literacy activities, (b) specified parenting education, (c) referrals, as necessary, to providers of instruction in adult education and English as a second language, and (d) specified staff development. The bill would establish a priority schedule for distribution of funds appropriated for qualifying state preschool classrooms at a rate of \$2,500 per class. It would assign first priority to California state preschool programs located in the attendance area of elementary schools in deciles 1 to 3.

- AB 2203**      **V. Manuel Pérez) Compulsory Education: Children 5 years of Age**  
**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/23/2012  
**Location:** 3/12/2012-A. EDUCATION  
**Summary:** This bill would provide that a person from 5 to 18 years of age, inclusive, who is not exempt by law is subject to compulsory education, and would exclude children under 5 years of age from the public schools, except as specified. By increasing the duration of compulsory education provided by public schools, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.
- AB 2286**      **(Bonilla) Child Care: Reimbursement Rate Adjustment Factors**  
**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/24/2012  
**Location:** 3/19/2012-A. EDUCATION  
**Summary:** Existing law, the Child Care and Development Services Act, establishes a system of child care and development services for children up to 13 years of age, and requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to implement a plan establishing assigned reimbursement rates, per unit of average daily enrollment, to be paid by the state to provider agencies for the provision of those services. Existing law also provides for an adjustment factor to be applied to units of average daily enrollment if a provider agency serves children who meet specified criteria. This bill would increase the adjustment factor for infants who are 0 to 18 months of age and are served in a child day care center and for toddlers who are 18 to 36 months of age and are served in a child day care center, as specified.
- AB 2573**      **(Furutani) Family Child Care Providers: Bargaining Representative**  
**Current Text:** Amended: 3/29/2012  
**Location:** 3/29/2012-A. LABOR & EMPLOYMENT  
**Summary:** This bill would authorize family child care providers to choose whether to be represented by a single provider organization that would be designated pursuant to a specified petition and election process overseen by the Public Employment Relations Board (Board) or a neutral 3rd party designated by the Board.

## SENATE

- SB 30**      **(Simitian) Kindergarten: Age of Admission and Readiness**  
**Current Text:** Amended: 3/25/2011  
**Location:** 7/7/2011- A. APPROPRIATIONS  
**Summary:** Existing law requires that a child be admitted to kindergarten at the beginning of a school year, or at any time later in the same year if the child will have his or her 5th birthday as specified. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

- SB 166**                    **(Steinberg) Health Care Coverage: Autism Spectrum Disorders**  
**Current Text:** Amended: 1/4/2012  
**Location:** 1/13/2012-S. DEAD  
**Summary:** This bill would exempt certain child-only health care service plan contracts, administered by counties or other specified local entities, from the requirement to provide coverage for behavioral health treatment for pervasive development disorder or autism.
- SB 885**                    **(Simitian) Public Education Accountability: Longitudinal Education Data System**  
**Current Text:** Amended: 7/7/2011  
**Location:** 9/1/2011-A. INACTIVE FILE  
**Summary:** Existing law establishes a system of public education in this state. This system includes public elementary and secondary schools, which provide instruction to pupils from preschool through grade 12, as well as the institutions that comprise the 3 segments of higher education, which are the California Community Colleges, the California State University, and the University of California. This bill would amend the expression of intent of the Legislature to state that the design and implementation of a high-quality, comprehensive, and longitudinal preschool through higher education (P-20) statewide data system should meet specified goals. The bill would also authorize the State Board of Education, in addition to the entities referenced above, to enter into a joint powers agreement, rather than interagency agreements, to facilitate the implementation of the comprehensive longitudinal preschool through higher education (P-20) statewide data system referenced by the bill.
- SB 1050**                    **(Alquist) Autism Screening: Pilot Program**  
**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/8/2012  
**Location:** 2/16/2012-S. RULES  
**Summary:** This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish a pilot program to promote the use of technology and telehealth systems for the screening, diagnosis, and evaluation of children with autism spectrum disorders. The pilot program would be established by an academic institution, in collaboration with school districts and regional centers, and would be funded through private-public partnerships, as specified.