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Bill No.	Author	PTA Position	Category	Description	Disposition	Authority
<a href="#">AB 388</a>	Canciamilla	Approve	Education	Prohibits the State Board of Education from adopting basic instructional materials in language arts or mathematics for the same grade level in successive years. Requires a publisher to provide to a school district a 2nd set of instructional materials at a reduced price if the governing board certifies, by resolution, the intent to purchase a 2nd set of textbooks for each pupil.	04/13/2005-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.	Position Statement: 4.5.39-Instructional Materials
<a href="#">AB 448</a>	La Suer	Oppose	Community Concerns	Existing law defines assault weapons, and generally regulates the sale, transport, possession, and registration of assault weapons. Existing law also establishes various offenses in connection with violations of these provisions. This bill would repeal those provisions.	04/05/2005-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.	Position Statement: 4.5.32-Firearms & Assault Weapons (March 2005) Resolution: Ban on Military Assault-Type Weapons (1989)_
<a href="#">AB 450</a>	Yee	Support	Community Concerns	Existing law regulates the sale of certain merchandise, such as political items and sports memorabilia. This bill would prohibit the sale, rent, distribution, and exhibition of violent video games, as defined, to persons who are 16 years of age or younger. The bill would provide that a person who violates the act may be liable in an amount of up to \$1,000 for each violation.	03/30/2005-Referred to Coms. on JUD. and A.,E.,S.,T., & I.M.	Position Statement: 4.5.69-Television & Video Viewing, 2003 Resolution: Restricting the Kinds of Video Materials Available to Children (1985) Leg Plank #12

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<a href="#">AB 506</a>	Montanez	Support	Community Concerns	Establishes the Teen Dating Violence Prevention Program. Requires each school district to establish a policy and protocol, including reporting procedures and response requirements, for dealing with teen dating violence in middle and in high schools. Requires the State Department of Education to incorporate teen dating violence education curriculum into the health curriculum framework at its next revision.	03/03/2005-Referred to Com. on ED.	Position Statements: 4.5.6-Character Education, 4.5.50-Prevention and Intervention Programs, rev. 2000 Resolutions: Family Life Education in Public Schools (1967), Sexual Assault Prevention Education (1984), Treatment Centers for Sexually Abused (1978)
<a href="#">AB 572</a>	Wolk	Support	Education	Relates to existing law that requires the governing board of each school district maintaining any or all of grades 2 to 9, inclusive, to offer, and authorizes a charter school to offer, programs of direct, systematic, and intensive supplemental instruction to pupils enrolled in grades 1 to 9, inclusive, who have been recommended for retention or who have been retained. Extends the application of existing law to include districts maintaining kindergarten or 1st grade.	04/14/2005-From committee: Do pass, and re-refer to Com. on APPR. Re-referred. (Ayes 8. Noes 3.) (April 13).	Position Statement: 4.5.20-Education: Early Years, 4.5.4-Basic Education
<a href="#">AB 589</a>	Emmerson	Oppose	Education	Deletes a person without lawful immigration status from eligibility for paying nonresident tuition at the California Community Colleges and the California State University.	04/05/2005-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.	Position Statements: 4.5.63-Services for Children of Undocumented Aliens, 4.5.27-Equal Rights General Principles #1 Leg Plank #1
<a href="#">AB 655</a>	Leno	Seek_Amendments	Education	Existing law imposes various taxes that are administered by the State Board of Equalization. This bill would require that a surcharge of 1% of the price of admission	04/14/2005-Re-referred to Com. on A.,E.,S.,T., & I.M.	Resolution: Arts Education (1998)

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				be imposed upon each patron of an entertainment venue for the privilege of admission into an entertainment venue, as defined		
<a href="#">AB 788</a>	Montanez	Approve	Parent Involvement	Requires the establishment and administration of a 3 year pilot project to be known as the Family Child Care Career Ladder, at a minimum of 3 community college districts that agree to participate, to provide continuing education and training for child day care providers licensed as family day care homes. STATUS:	04/12/2005-Re-referred to Com. on HUM. S.	Position Statements: 4.5.5- Before and After School Options for Youth, 4.5.8- Child Care Resolutions: Support for Quality Child Care (1986), Early Childhood Development and Education (2000) Leg Planks #1,2,4,7
<a href="#">AB 829</a>	Daucher	Watch	Education	Existing law provides various due process rights to a parent or guardian of a special education pupil. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to those provisions. This bill contains other existing laws.	02/20/2005-From printer. May be heard in committee March 22.	Position Statement: 4.5.64- Special Education
<a href="#">AB 872</a>	Bogh	Watch	Community Concerns	Requires school districts to report to the Department of the California Highway Patrol any incidents in which the actions of a school bus driver may have place the health, well-being, or safety of the pupils being transported at risk.	04/13/2005-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.	Position Statement: 4.5.59- School Bus Safety, 2000 Resolutions: School Bus Safety (1993, Notification of Parents or Guardians When Minor Children Are Involved in Traffic Accident (1977)
<a href="#">AB 897</a>	Coto	Watch	Education	Requires school districts, special education local plan areas, or county offices of education to provide opportunities for certain pupils to learn the Nemath code, also known as the Braille math code, in order to learn the mathematics necessary to pass the high school exit examination and the course with algebra that is required for graduation from high school.	04/18/2005-Read second time and amended.	Position Statements: 4.5.64- Special Education, 4.5.66- Statewide Assesment

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<a href="#">AB 1032</a>	Jones	Support	Parent Involvement	Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop preschool learning standards for the implementation of quality child care and development programs that includes professional learning for preschool classroom staff. Authorizes state funded preschool, child care and development and family literacy programs serving preschool age children to apply for instructional support grants to provide a certain number of hours of training on the reading/language arts standards and the mathematics standards.	04/18/2005-Re-referred to Com. on ED.	Position Statements: 4.5.5-Before and After School Options for Children and Youth, 4.5.8-Child Care Resolutions: Early Childhood Development & Education (2000), Support for Quality Child Care (1986) Leg Planks #1,3,4,7
<a href="#">AB 1056</a>	Chu	Watch	Health	This bill would state the intent of the Legislature that school districts provide professional development training to food service workers in the public school system.	02/24/2005-From printer. May be heard in committee March 26.	
<a href="#">AB 1092</a>	Daucher	Watch	Education	Makes technical, nonsubstantive changes to existing law that requires each school district, special education local plan area, or county office of education to follow the procedures specified in federal law when interpreting assessment data for the purpose of determining if a child is an individual with exceptional needs.	02/24/2005-From printer. May be heard in committee March 26.	Position Statement: 4.5.64-Special Education

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<a href="#">AB 1097</a>	Mullin	Support	Education	Provides that purposes of determining the average daily attendance generated by a pupil enrolled in a history or social science course required by a school district as a condition of receiving a high school diploma, deems a pupil serving as a member of a precinct board for an election to be under the immediate supervision of the certificated teacher of that history or social science course. Revises the qualifications for a student to be a voting precinct board member.	04/12/2005-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.	Position Statement: 4.5.12-Credentialed School Personnel Resolution: Citizenship Education (1989) Leg Platform: Preamble Leg Plank #8
<a href="#">AB 1191</a>	Benoit	Support	Education	Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to apportion to each school district or county office of education a specified amount from Section A of the State School Fund for home-to-school transportation. This bill would require the Superintendent to apportion to each school district or county office of education an amount that will ensure that the state share of the school district's or county office's home-to-school transportation cost is equal to at least 90%.	04/14/2005-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee. (Refers to 4/13/2005 hearing)	Resolution: School Transportation:Equitable and Adequate Funding (2004)
<a href="#">AB 1254</a>	Coto	Watch	Parent Involvement	Provides grants to specified entities for the development and maintenance of training	04/13/2005-Re-referred to Com. on HIGHER ED.	Position Statements: 4.5.5-Before and After School Options for Children and

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				programs and career ladder opportunities for teachers who provide instruction to preschool children who are limited English proficient, with certain requirements. Makes certain findings and declarations. Provides the intent of the Legislature with regard to the professional development of preschool teachers to provide instruction to limited-English-proficient children.		Youth, 4.5.53-Responsibility for Society to the Family Resolutions: Early Childhood Development and Education (2000) Leg Planks #1,4,7
<a href="#">AB 1306</a>	Liu	Support	Education	Relates to school accountability report cards. Requires the report card to include the total number of the school's fully credentialed administrators and pupil services staff, and the number of other certificated employees relying on emergency credentials, working without credentials, or on assignments outside their subject areas of competence.	04/18/2005-Read second time and amended.	Position Statement: 4.5.19- Education:Support for Public Education Resolution: Counseling in School and Community (1976) Leg Planks 3&7
<a href="#">AB 1492</a>	Evans	Support	Education	Existing law requires a school district, as part of its adopted course of study for grades 7 to 12, inclusive, to offer courses in specified areas of study, including, among others, social sciences, drawing upon the disciplines of anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, psychology, and sociology. This bill would allow a school district, in providing instruction in economics, to include instruction related to the understanding of personal finances.	03/17/2005-Referred to Com. on ED.	Resolution: Financial Literacy for Youth (1999)
<a href="#">AB 1662</a>	Lieber	Watch	Education	Existing law provides that, in accordance with specified federal law, personally	03/30/2005-Referred to Com. on ED.	Position Statement: 4.5.64- Special Education

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				identifiable information about individuals with exceptional needs is confidential. This bill would prohibit the education records of individuals with exceptional from being released to participating agencies without the consent of his or her parent or guardian, unless authorized to do so under applicable federal law, as specified.		
<a href="#">AB 1667</a>	Saldana	Watch	Health	Existing law provides that any individual with exceptional needs who requires specialized physical health care services, as defined, during the regular schoolday, may be assisted by certain specified individuals. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions	04/13/2005-Re-referred to Com. on HEALTH.	
<a href="#">ACAX17</a>	Daucher	Watch	Education	The California Constitution empowers the Legislature to empower the governing board of a school district to initiate and carry on any programs or activities or to otherwise act in any manner that is not in conflict with the laws and purposes for which school districts are established. This measure would authorize the governing body of a school district or the home rule compact commission of a school district to propose, to the electors of the school district, a home rule compact. The measure would provide that a proposed home rule compact is adopted if approved by 2/3 of the electors voting on the question, and that	04/11/2005-Referred to Coms. on E.F. & T.P. and C.A. and W. & M.	Position Statements:4.5.52-Public Involvement in School Governance, 4.5.7-Charter Schools

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				the home rule compact is effective when filed with the Secretary of State. The measure would also provide for similar requirements for the amendment or repeal of a home rule compact. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.		
<a href="#">ACR 17</a>	Karnette	Support	Education	This measure would recognize 2005 as the Year of Languages, and would encourage all educational communities to celebrate languages and cultures, and urge all citizens to become interested in, and to give full support to, quality language and cultural programs for all pupils in California schools.	04/07/2005-In Senate. To Com. on RLS.	Position Statement: 4.5.4-Basic Education
<a href="#">ACR 30</a>	McCarthy	Support	Education	This measure would urge the State Board of Education and all local school governing bodies to examine current practice and develop plans to increase and broaden emphasis on principles of democracy in the schools of this state.	03/10/2005-Referred to Com. on ED.	Leg Plank #8
<a href="#">SB 219</a>	Alquist	Support	Education	Establishes the Commission on Restructuring School Finance for Kindergarten and Grades 1 to 12, and requires the commission to propose simple, flexible, and workable funding programs that enable schools to meet the special needs of each individual pupil. Requires the commission to report its findings to the Joint Committee to Develop a Master Plan for Education-Kindergarten through University, the Governor, and the Legislature.	03/08/2005-Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.	Leg Plank #2

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<a href="#"><u>SB 281</u></a>	Maldonado	Approve	Health	The bill would also require the department and the Department of Food and Agriculture to develop a program that encourages schools to provide fruits and vegetables to pupils.	04/14/2005-Set for hearing April 27. Substantially amended on 3/29/05	Position Statements: Health Education; Nutrition Education Resolutions: School Nutrition Programs Improvement & Expansion 1991 Leg Planks: 9,13
<a href="#"><u>SB 559</u></a>	Torlakson	Support	Health	This bill would define a physical education class as one in which each pupil is required to actively participate.	04/14/2005-Set for hearing April 27.	Position Statements: Health Education; Physical Education K-12 Resolutions: Healthy Lifestyles for All Children Leg Planks: 1,8,9
<a href="#"><u>SB 605</u></a>	Machado	Approve	Education	Requires the State Department of Education to establish and administer a statewide program of grant funding to support special education local plan areas in conducting alternative dispute resolution programs for resolving special education disputes. States the intent of the Legislature to make funds available for purposes of the program.	04/14/2005-Set for hearing April 28.	Position Statement: 4.5.64- Special Education
<a href="#"><u>SB 638</u></a>	Torlakson	Watch	Health	This bill would require that the training and support provided by the department include, but not be limited to, the development and distribution of voluntary guidelines for physical activity programs.	04/18/2005-Set for hearing April 25.	Position Statements: Health Education; Physical Education K-12 Resolutions: Healthy Lifestyles for All Children Leg Planks: 8,9,14
<a href="#"><u>SB 688</u></a>	Speier	Watch	Health	This bill would create a state-mandated local program as it would require a school district to provide instruction to pupils in	04/14/2005-Set for hearing April 20.	Position Statement: Health Education Leg Planks: 1,8,9,10,12,13,14

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				kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, that relates to skin cancer prevention.		
<a href="#"><u>SB 875</u></a>	Runner	Support	Parent Involvement	The After School Education and Safety Program creates incentives to establish after school enrichment programs that partner schools and communities to provide academic and literacy support and safe constructive alternatives for pupils in kindergarten and grades 1 to 9, inclusive, at participating public elementary, middle, junior high, and charter schools. This bill would expand the above-referenced educational enrichment component to include career technical education. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	04/18/2005-Set for hearing April 25.	Position Statement: 4.5.5- Before and After School Options for Children and Youth Leg Plank # 1,6
<a href="#"><u>SB 912</u></a>	Ducheny	Approve	Education	Existing law requires that the 10 members of the State Board of Education be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of 2/3 of the Senate. This bill would require that 4 members of the state board be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of 2/3 of the Senate, pursuant to specified qualifications. This bill would impose a state-mandated local program by requiring the remaining 6 members of the state board be appointed by school districts from specified geographical regions of the state. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	04/13/2005-Set, first hearing. Failed passage in committee. (Ayes 6. Noes 3. Page 586.) Reconsideration granted.	Position Statement: 4.5.52- Public Involvement in School Governance

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<a href="#">SB 965</a>	Escutia	Support	Health	This bill would restrict the sale of beverages to pupils at a high school at specified times to certain specified beverages, thus imposing a state-mandated local program.	04/18/2005-From committee: Do pass as amended, but first amend, and re-refer to Com. on HEALTH. (Ayes 9. Noes 2. Page 466.)	Position Statements: Health Education, Nutrition Education Resolutions: Healthy Lifestyles for All Children; Nutrition Education Leg Planks: 8,9,11,12
<a href="#">SB 985</a>	Dunn	Support	Health	This bill would require the department to regulate lead in chili, tamarind, and other candy, as defined. The bill would require the department to test the candy to determine the presence of lead, to issue related health advisories, and to order local health officers to remove from shelves or retailers, and to order the embargo of candy found to contain lead at levels above the permissible standard as determined by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment. The bill would require the department to adopt related regulations. The bill would authorize the department to enter into contracts with county health officers and environmental justice organizations.	04/12/2005-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time. Amended. Re-referred to committee.	Position Statements: Health Education; Nutrition Education; Lead Poisoning Leg Planks: 1,8,9,11,12,13
<a href="#">SCA 8</a>	Simitian	Support	Miscellaneous	The California Constitution conditions the imposition of a special tax by a city, county, or special district upon the approval of 2/3 of the voters of the city, county, or special district voting on that tax, and prohibits these entities from imposing an ad valorem tax on real property or a transactions or sales tax on the sale of real property. This measure would authorize a school district, community college district, or county office of education, with the approval of 55% of its voters voting on the proposition, to	04/18/2005-Set for hearing April 27.	Position Statement: State Tax Reform Leg Platform, General Principles #8 Leg Plank #2

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				impose a parcel tax, as defined, and would also make conforming changes to related provisions.		
<a href="#"><u>SCR 31</u></a>	Simitian	Support	Education	Establishes the Joint Committee on the Master Plan for Education to conduct continuous review of the master plan and the conditions of education in California. Provides that the joint committee would have and exercise all of the rights, duties, and powers conferred upon investigating committees and their members by the Joint Committee of the Senate and Assembly. Authorizes the Senate Committee on Rules to make money available from the Senate Operating Fund for the expenses of the joint committee.	03/17/2005-In Assembly. Held at Desk.	Position Statements: 4.5.4-Basic Education, 4.5.19-Education: Support for Public Education. 4.5.52-Public Involvement in School Governance