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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Budget, Workload Update and Tentative Agenda Items for the May 2025, July 2025, and September 2025 Meetings (info)

I. New Commission Staff

Laura Dougherty recently joined Commission staff as the Senior Commission Counsel (Attorney IV). Ms. Dougherty brings over 16 years of experience as a practicing attorney. In her most recent role at Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Foundation, she advanced from Senior Staff Attorney to Director of Legal Affairs where her practice focused on constitutional law and government finance. She has argued in both state and federal trial and appellate courts as well as drafted amicus briefs, a petition for review to the California Supreme Court, and two petitions for writ of certiorari to the United States Supreme Court.

Ms. Dougherty graduated from McGeorge School of Law with Honors. During her studies in law school, she found a passion for legal research. She has a Bachelor of Arts in the French Language.

Ms. Dougherty started with the Commission on February 13, 2025.

II. 2025-2026 Budget

A. The Commission's 2025-2026 Budget

The Governor introduced his proposed 2025-2026 budget on January 10, 2025 (AB 227, Gabriel; SB 65, Wiener). The Commission's 2025-2026 operating budget as proposed in the Governor's Budget is \$3,438,000 and is broken down as: \$2,981,000 for Personal Services and \$457,000 for Operating Expenses and Equipment. This is a decrease of \$124,000 from the total appropriation of \$3,562,000 for 2024-2025 after adjustments for salaries and benefits of \$33,000. On March 25, 2025, the Commission's budget will be heard in Assembly Budget Subcommittee 5.

The Governor's Budget also includes \$91,456,000 for Local Assistance or local agency mandated programs - a decrease of \$40,771,000 from the 2024-2025 budget of \$132,227,000.

B. Local Agency Mandate Funding and Suspension

1. Under the Commission's Budget: 8885-295-0001 – For Local Assistance for Reimbursement

The proposed budget appropriates \$89.450 million for local agency mandated programs.

Schedule:

- (1) 6905-Funded Mandates: For payment of the following mandate claims for costs incurred through the 2023-2024 fiscal year:

(a)	Accounting for Local Revenue Realignment (Ch. 162, Stats. 2003; Ch. 211, Stats. 2004; Ch. 610, Stats. 2004) (05-TC-01)	0
(b)	Allocation of Property Tax Revenues (Ch. 697, Stats. 1992) (CSM 4448)	774,000
(c)	California Public Records Act (Ch. 463, Stats. 1992; Ch. 982, Stats. 2000; Ch. 355, Stats. 2001) (02-TC-10 and 02-TC-51)	0
(d)	Crime Victims' Domestic Violence Incident Reports (Ch. 1022, Stats. 1999) (99-TC-08)	217,000
(e)	Custody of Minors-Child Abduction and Recovery (Ch. 1399, Stats. 1976; Ch. 162, Stats. 1992; and Ch. 988, Stats. 1996) (CSM 4237)	9,819,000
(f)	Domestic Violence Arrest Policies (Ch. 246, Stats. 1995) (CSM 96-362-02)	10,825,000
(g)	Domestic Violence Arrests and Victims Assistance (Chs. 698 and 702, Stats. 1998) (98-TC-14)	2,608,000
(h)	Domestic Violence Treatment Services (Ch. 183, Stats. 1992) (CSM 96-281-01)	2,378,000
(i)	Health Benefits for Survivors of Peace Officers and Firefighters (Ch. 1120, Stats. 1996) (97-TC-25)	2,145,000
(j)	Local Agency Ethics (Ch. 700, Stats. 2005) (07-TC-04)	11,000
(k)	Medi-Cal Beneficiary Death Notices (Chs. 102 and 1163, Stats. 1981) (CSM 4032)	13,000
(l)	Medi-Cal Eligibility of Juvenile Offenders (Ch. 657, Stats. 2006) (08-TC-04)	0
(m)	Peace Officer Personnel Records: Unfounded Complaints and Discovery (Ch. 630, Stats. 1978; Ch. 741, Stats. 1994) (00-TC-24)	899,000
(n)	Rape Victim Counseling (Ch. 999, Stats. 1991) (CSM 4426)	616,000
(o)	Sexually Violent Predators (Chs. 762 and 763, Stats. 1995) (CSM 4509)	17,064,000
(p)	State Authorized Risk Assessment Tool for Sex Offenders (Chs. 336, 337, and 886, Stats. 2006; Ch. 579, Stats. 2007) (08-TC-03)	591,000
(q)	Threats Against Peace Officers (Ch. 1249, Stats. 1992; Ch. 666, Stats. 1995) (CSM 96-365-02)	25,000

(r)	Tuberculosis Control (Ch. 676, Stats. 1993; Ch. 685, Stats. 1994; Ch. 116, Stats. 1997; and Ch. 763, Stats. 2002) (03-TC-14)	115,000
(s)	Unitary Countywide Tax Rates (Ch. 921, Stats. 1987) (CSM 4317 and CSM 4355)	443,000
(t)	Post Election Manual Tally (2 Cal. Code Regs., 20120 to 20127, incl.) (10-TC-08)	0
(u)	Sheriffs Court-Security Services (Ch. 22, Stats. 2009) (09-TC-02)	0
(v)	U Visa Form 918, Victims of Crime: Non-Immigrant Status (Ch. 721, Stats. 2015)	2,243,000
(w)	Local Agency Employee Organizations, Impasse Procedures II (Ch. 314, Stats. 2012)	31,000
(x)	Peace Officer Training: Mental Health/Crisis Intervention Mandate (Ch. 469, Stats. 2015)	531,000
(y)	Municipal Storm Water and Urban Runoff Discharges Mandate (Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board Order No. 01-182; Permit CAS004001; Part 4F5c3)	0
(z)	Vote by Mail Ballots: Prepaid Postage (Ch. 120, Stats. 2018)	2,287,000
(aa)	Sexual Assault Evidence Kits: Testing Mandate (Ch. 588, Stats. 2019)	11,455,000
(bb)	Racial and Identity Profiling Mandate (Ch. 466, Stats. 2015; Ch. 328, Stats. 2017)	23,886,000
(cc)	Juveniles: Custodial Interrogation Mandate (Ch. 335, Stats. 2020)	474,000
(2)	6905050-Funded Mandates: For payment of mandate claims for the 2005–06 through 2021–22 fiscal years for the Peace Officers’ Procedural Bill of Rights Act (Ch. 675, Stats. 1990) (CSM 4499)	0
(3)	6905050-Funded Mandates: For payment of mandate claims for the 2002–03 through 2021–22 fiscal years for the Public Safety Officers Procedural Bill of Rights II (Ch. 465, Stats. 1976; Ch. 786, Stats. 1998; Ch. 209, Stats. 2000; Ch. 170, Stats. 2000) (03-TC-18)	0
(4)	6905050-Funded Mandates: For payment of mandate claims for the 2001–02 through 2021–22 fiscal years for the Local Government Employment Relations Mandate (Ch. 901, Stats. 2000) (01-TC-30)	0
(5)	6905050-Funded Mandates: Pursuant to the provisions of Section 17581 of the Government Code, the mandates identified in the following schedule are specifically identified by the Legislature for	

suspension during the 2025–26 fiscal year:

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- (a) Absentee Ballots (Ch. 77, Stats. 1978 and Ch. 1032, Stats. 2002) (CSM 3713)
- (b) Absentee Ballots-Tabulation by Precinct (Ch. 697, Stats. 1999) (00-TC-08)
- (c) AIDS/Search Warrant (Ch. 1088, Stats. 1988) (CSM 4392)
- (d) Airport Land Use Commission/Plans (Ch. 644, Stats. 1994) (CSM 4507)
- (e) Animal Adoption (Ch. 752, Stats. 1998 and Ch. 313, Stats. 2004) (04-PGA-01 and 98-TC-11)
- (f) Brendon Maguire Act (Ch. 391, Stats. 1988) (CSM 4357)
- (g) Conservatorship: Developmentally Disabled Adults (Ch. 1304, Stats. 1980) (04-LM-13)
- (h) Coroners' Costs (Ch. 498, Stats. 1977) (04-LM-07)
- (i) Crime Statistics Reports for the Department of Justice (Ch. 1172, Stats. 1989; Ch. 1338, Stats. 1992; Ch. 1230, Stats. 1993; Ch. 933, Stats. 1998; Ch. 571, Stats. 1999; and Ch. 626, Stats. 2000) (02-TC-04 and 02-TC-11) and Crime Statistics Reports for the Department of Justice Amended (Ch. 700, Stats. 2004) (07-TC-10)
- (j) Crime Victims' Domestic Violence Incident Reports II (Ch. 483, Stats. 2001; Ch. 833, Stats. 2002) (02-TC-18)
- (k) Developmentally Disabled Attorneys' Services (Ch. 694, Stats. 1975) (04-LM-03)
- (l) DNA Database & Amendments to Postmortem Examinations: Unidentified Bodies (Ch. 822, Stats. 2000; Ch. 467, Stats. 2001) (00-TC-27 and 02-TC-39)
- (m) Domestic Violence Background Checks (Ch. 713, Stats. 2001) (01-TC-29)
- (n) Domestic Violence Information (Ch. 1609, Stats. 1984 and Ch. 668, Stats. 1985) (CSM 4222)
- (o) Elder Abuse, Law Enforcement Training (Ch. 444, Stats. 1997) (98-TC-12)
- (p) Extended Commitment, Youth Authority (Ch. 267, Stats. 1998 and Ch. 546, Stats. 1984) (98-TC-13)
- (q) False Reports of Police Misconduct (Ch. 590, Stats. 1995 and Ch. 289, Stats. 2000) (00-TC-26)
- (r) Firearm Hearings for Discharged Inpatients (Ch. 578, Stats. 1999) (99-TC-11)

- (s) Grand Jury Proceedings (Ch. 1170, Stats. 1996; Ch. 443, Stats. 1997; and Ch. 230, Stats. 1998) (98-TC-27)
- (t) Interagency Child Abuse and Neglect (ICAN) Investigation Reports (Ch. 958, Stats. 1977; Ch. 1071, Stats. 1980; Ch. 435, Stats. 1981; Chs. 162 and 905, Stats. 1982; Chs. 1423 and 1613, Stats. 1984; Ch. 1598, Stats. 1985; Chs. 1289 and 1496, Stats. 1986; Chs. 82, 531, and 1459, Stats. 1987; Chs. 269, 1497, and 1580, Stats. 1988; Ch. 153, Stats. 1989; Chs. 650, 1330, 1363, and 1603, Stats. 1990; Chs. 163, 459, and 1338, Stats. 1992; Chs. 219 and 510, Stats. 1993; Chs. 1080 and 1081, Stats. 1996; Chs. 842, 843, and 844, Stats. 1997; Chs. 475 and 1012, Stats. 1999; and Ch. 916, Stats. 2000) (00-TC-22)
- (u) Identity Theft (Ch. 956, Stats. 2000) (03-TC-08)
- (v) In-Home Supportive Services II (Ch. 445, Stats. 2000 and Ch. 90, Stats. 1999) (00-TC-23)
- (w) Inmate AIDS Testing (Ch. 1579, Stats. 1988 and Ch. 768, Stats. 1991) (CSM 4369 and CSM 4429)
- (x) Judiciary Proceedings (Ch. 644, Stats. 1980) (CSM 4366)
- (y) Law Enforcement Sexual Harassment Training (Ch. 126, Stats. 1993) (97-TC-07)
- (z) Local Coastal Plans (Ch. 1330, Stats. 1976) (CSM 4431)
- (aa) Mandate Reimbursement Process (Ch. 486, Stats. 1975 and Ch. 1459, Stats. 1984) (CSM 4204 and CSM 4485)
- (bb) Mandate Reimbursement Process II (Ch. 890, Stats. 2004) (05-TC-05) (Suspension of Mandate Reimbursement Process and Mandate Reimbursement Process II includes suspension of the Consolidation of Mandate Reimbursement Processes I and II)
- (cc) Mentally Disordered Offenders: Treatment as a Condition of Parole (Ch. 228, Stats. 1989 and Ch. 706, Stats. 1994) (00-TC-28 and 05-TC-06)
- (dd) Mentally Disordered Offenders' Extended Commitments Proceedings (Ch. 435, Stats. 1991; Ch. 1418, Stats. 1985; Ch. 858, Stats. 1986; Ch. 687, Stats. 1987; Chs. 657 and 658, Stats. 1988; Ch. 228, Stats. 1989; and Ch. 324, Stats. 2000) (98-TC-09)
- (ee) Mentally Disordered Sex Offenders' Recommitments (Ch. 1036, Stats. 1978) (04-LM-09)
- (ff) Mentally Retarded Defendants Representation (Ch. 1253, Stats. 1980) (04-LM-12)
- (gg) Missing Persons Report (Ch. 1456, Stats. 1988 and Ch. 59, Stats. 1993) (CSM 4255, CSM 4368, and CSM 4484)

- (hh) Modified Primary Election (Ch. 898, Stats. 2000) (01-TC-13)
- (ii) Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity (Ch. 1114, Stats. 1979 and Ch. 650, Stats. 1982) (CSM 2753) (05-PGA-35)
- (jj) Open Meetings Act/Brown Act Reform (Ch. 641, Stats. 1986 and Chs. 1136, 1137, and 1138, Stats. 1993) (CSM 4257 and CSM 4469)
- (kk) Pacific Beach Safety: Water Quality and Closures (Ch. 961, Stats. 1992) (CSM 4432)
- (ll) Perinatal Services (Ch. 1603, Stats. 1990) (CSM 4397) (05-PGA-38)
- (mm) Permanent Absent Voters II (Ch. 922, Stats. 2001, Ch. 664, Stats. 2002, and Ch. 347, Stats. 2003) (03-TC-11)
- (nn) Personal Safety Alarm Devices (8 Cal. Code Regs. 3401 (c)) (CSM 4087)
- (oo) Photographic Record of Evidence (Ch. 875, Stats. 1985; Ch. 734, Stats. 1986; and Ch. 382, Stats. 1990) (98-TC-07)
- (pp) Pocket Masks (Ch. 1334, Stats. 1987) (CSM 4291)
- (qq) Post Conviction: DNA Court Proceedings (Ch. 943, Stats. 2001 and Ch. 821, Stats. 2000) (00-TC-21 and 01-TC-08)
- (rr) Postmortem Examinations: Unidentified Bodies, Human Remains (Ch. 284, Stats. 2000) (00-TC-18)
- (ss) Prisoner Parental Rights (Ch. 820, Stats. 1991) (CSM 4427)
- (tt) Senior Citizens Property Tax Postponement (Ch. 1242, Stats. 1977 and Ch. 43, Stats. 1978) (CSM 4359)
- (uu) Sex Crime Confidentiality (Ch. 502, Stats. 1992; Ch. 36, 1993–94 1st Ex. Sess.; and Ch. 555, Stats. 1993) (98-TC-21)
- (vv) Sex Offenders: Disclosure by Law Enforcement Officers (Chs. 908 and 909, Stats. 1996; Chs. 17, 80, 817, 818, 819, 820, and 822, Stats. 1997; and Chs. 485, 550, 927, 928, 929, and 930, Stats. 1998) (97-TC-15)
- (ww) SIDS Autopsies (Ch. 955, Stats. 1989) (CSM 4393)
- (xx) SIDS Contacts by Local Health Officers (Ch. 268, Stats. 1991) (CSM 4424)
- (yy) SIDS Training for Firefighters (Ch. 1111, Stats. 1989) (CSM 4412)
- (zz) Stolen Vehicle Notification (Ch. 337, Stats. 1990) (CSM 4403)
- (aaa) Structural and Wildland Firefighter Safety Clothing and Equipment (8 Cal. Code Regs., 3401 to 3410, incl.) (CSM 4261 and CSM 4281)

- (bbb) Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (Ch. 1188, Stats. 1992; Ch. 843, Stats. 1994; and Ch. 333, Stats. 1995) (97-TC-13)
- (ccc) Voter Identification Procedures (Ch. 260, Stats. 2000) (03-TC-23)
- (ddd) Voter Registration Procedures (Ch. 704, Stats. 1975) (04-LM-04)
- (eee) California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region (Order No. R8-2009-0030) (09-TC-03)

2. 5180-151-0001 – For Local Assistance, Department of Social Services

Although local agency mandates are generally now funded through the Commission's budget, recent budgets (including for 2025-2026) make up to \$4 million dollars available in county-optional block grant funding through the Department of Social Services' budget, for allocation to local agencies to fund activities that are reimbursable under *Interagency Child Abuse and Neglect Investigation Reports*, 00-TC-22. Local governments that receive the block grant funding are not eligible to claim costs under section 17560 of the Government Code for any costs associated with the program. The State Department of Social Services, in consultation with the California State Association of Counties, shall develop the allocation methodology for distributing the funds to the participating counties. Block grant funding apportioned according to this item is subject to annual financial and compliance audits.

C. K-14 Mandate Funding and Suspension

Unlike local agency mandate funding, K-14 mandate funding takes place outside of the Commission's budget. Among other things, the Budget Bill (AB 227, Gabriel; SB 65, Wiener) does the following with regard to mandate funding.

1. 6100-295-0001 – For Local Assistance, State Department of Education (Proposition 98)

6100-295-0001 appropriates \$49,000 "for local assistance, State Department of Education (Proposition 98), for reimbursement, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution or Section 17561 of the Government Code, of the cost of any new program or increased level of service of an existing program mandated by statute or executive order, for disbursement by the Controller for claims for costs incurred during the 2023–24 fiscal year." Under this line item, Schedule (1) 5240016-K–12 Mandated Cost Reimbursement Program then provides "for payment of the following mandate claims incurred during the 2023–24 fiscal year," \$1000 for each of the following mandated programs:

- (a) Consolidation of Annual Parent Notification/Schoolsite Discipline Rules/Alternative Schools (Ch. 36, Stats. 1977) (CSM 4445, 4453, 4461, 4462, 4474, 4488, 97-TC-24, 99-TC-09, and 00-TC-12)
- (b) Caregiver Affidavits to Establish Residence for School Attendance (Ch. 98, Stats. 1994) (CSM 4497)
- (c) School District Fiscal Accountability Reporting and Employee Benefits Disclosure (Consolidation) (Ch. 100, Stats. 1981) (97-TC-19)

- (d) Intradistrict Attendance (Ch. 161, Stats. 1993) (CSM 4454)
- (e) Interdistrict Attendance Permits (Ch. 172, Stats. 1986)
- (f) Differential Pay and Reemployment (Ch. 30, Stats. 1998) (99-TC-02)
- (g) Immunization Records—Mumps, Rubella, and Hepatitis B (Ch. 325, Stats. 1978 and Ch. 435, Stats. 1979) (98-TC-05 and 14-MR-04)
- (h) Notification of Truancy (Ch. 498, Stats. 1983) (CSM 4133)
- (i) Criminal Background Checks I (Ch. 588, Stats. 1997) (97-TC-16)
- (j) Criminal Background Checks II (Ch. 594, Stats. 1998 and Ch. 840, Stats. 1998; Ch. 78, Stats. 1999) (00-TC-05)
- (k) California State Teachers' Retirement System Service Credit (Ch. 603, Stats. 1994) (02-TC-19)
- (l) Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting (Ch. 640, Stats. 1987) (01-TC-21)
- (m) Comprehensive School Safety Plans I and II (Ch. 736, Stats. 1997) (98-TC-01 and 99-TC-10)
- (n) Pupil Promotion and Retention (Ch. 100, Stats. 1981) (98-TC-19)
- (o) Charter Schools I, II, and III (Ch. 781, Stats. 1992) (CSM 4437 et al., 99-TC-03, and 99-TC-14)
- (p) AIDS Instruction and AIDS Prevention Instruction (Ch. 818, Stats. 1991 and Ch. 403, Stats. 1998) (CSM 4422, 99-TC-07, and 00-TC-01)
- (q) Agency Fee Arrangements (Ch. 893, Stats. 2000 and Ch. 805, Stats. 2001) (00-TC-17 and 01-TC-14)
- (r) County Office of Education Fiscal Accountability Reporting (Ch. 917, Stats. 1987) (97-TC-20)
- (s) Collective Bargaining and Collective Bargaining Agreement Disclosure (Ch. 961, Stats. 1975) (CSM 4425 and 97-TC-08)
- (t) Pupil Health Screenings (Ch. 1208, Stats. 1976) (CSM 4440)
- (u) Physical Performance Tests (Ch. 975, Stats. 1995) (96-365-01)
- (v) Juvenile Court Notices II (Ch. 1011, Stats. 1984 and Ch. 1423, Stats. 1984) (CSM 4475)
- (w) Charter Schools IV (Ch. 1058, Stats. 2002) (03-TC-03)
- (x) Public Contracts (Ch. 1073, Stats. 1985) (02-TC-35)
- (y) Uniform Complaint Procedures (Ch. 1117, Stats. 1982) (03-TC-02)

- (z) Consolidation of Law Enforcement Agency Notifications (LEAN) and Missing Children Reports (MCR) (Ch. 1117, Stats. 1989) (CSM 4505 and 4505-2)
- (aa) Immunization Records (Ch. 1176, Stats. 1977) (SB 90-120)
- (bb) Habitual Truant (Ch. 1184, Stats. 1975) (CSM 4487 and 4487-A)
- (cc) School District Reorganization (Ch. 1192, Stats. 1980 and Ch. 1186, Stats. 1994) (98-TC-24)
- (dd) Prevailing Wage Rate (Ch. 1249, Stats. 1978) (01-TC-28) .
- (ee) Threats Against Peace Officers (Ch. 1249, Stats. 1992)
- (ff) Expulsion of Pupils: Transcript Cost for Appeals (Ch. 1253, Stats. 1975)
- (gg) Consolidation of Notification to Teachers: Pupils Subject to Suspension or Expulsion I and II, and Pupil Discipline Records (Ch. 1306, Stats. 1989) (CSM 4452)
- (hh) School Accountability Report Cards (Ch. 912, Stats. 1997) (00-TC-09, 00-TC-13, and 02-TC-32)
- (ii) Financial and Compliance Audits (Ch. 36, Stats. 1977) (CSM 4498 and 4498-A)
- (jj) The Stull Act (Ch. 498, Stats. 1983 and Ch. 4, Stats. 1999) (98-TC-25)
- (kk) Pupil Safety Notices (Ch. 498, Stats. 1983) (02-TC-13)
- (ll) Graduation Requirements (Ch. 498, Stats. 1983) (CSM 4181-A)
- (mm) Student Records (Ch. 593, Stats. 1989) (02-TC-34)
- (nn) Williams Case Implementation I, II, and III (Ch. 900, Stats. 2004) (05-TC-04, 07-TC-06, and 08-TC-01)
- (oo) Parental Involvement Programs (Ch. 1400, Stats. 1990) (03-TC-16)
- (pp) Developer Fees (Ch. 955, Stats. 1977) (02-TC-42)
- (qq) Consolidated Suspensions, Expulsions, and Expulsion Appeals (Chs. 972 and 974, Stats. 1995) (96-358-03, 03A, 98-TC-22, 01-TC-18, 98-TC-23, 97-TC-09, CSM 4456, 4455, and 4463)
- (rr) Immunization Records—Pertussis (Ch. 434, Stats. 2010) (11-TC-02) .
- (ss) Race to the Top (Chs. 2 and 3, Stats. 2010, 5th Ex. Sess.) (10-TC-06) .
- (tt) Training for School Employee Mandated Reporters (Ch. 797, Stats. 2014) (14-TC-02)

- (uu) California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) (Ch. 489, Stats. 2013) (14-TC-01 and 14-TC-04)
- (vv) Cal Grant: Opt-Out Notice and Grade Point Average Submission (Ch. 679, Stats. 2014 and Ch. 82, Stats. 2016) (16-TC-02)
- (ww) Public School Restrooms: Feminine Hygiene Products (Ch. 687, Stats. 2017) (18-TC-01)

2. 6100-296-0001 – For Local Assistance, State Department of Education (Proposition 98) Program 98-K-12 Mandated Programs Block Grant

Appropriates \$273.487 million for the K-12 Mandated Programs Block Grant, \$39.14 per unit of average daily attendance of pupils in kindergarten to grade 8, inclusive, and \$75.41 per unit of average daily attendance of pupils in grades 9 to 12, inclusive.

3. 6100-403

6100-403 provides, pursuant to Section 17581.5 of the Government Code, the following K-12 mandates are specifically identified by the Legislature for suspension for the 2025-26 fiscal year:

- (1) Removal of Chemicals (Ch. 1107, Stats. 1984) (CSM 4211 and 4298)
- (2) Scoliosis Screening (Ch. 1347, Stats. 1980) (CSM 4195)
- (3) Pupil Residency Verification and Appeals (Ch. 309, Stats. 1995) (96-384-01)
- (4) School Bus Safety I and II (Ch. 624, Stats. 1992; Ch. 831, Stats. 1994; and Ch. 739, Stats. 1997) (CSM 4433 and 97-TC-22)
- (5) Physical Education Reports (Ch. 640, Stats. 1997) (98-TC-08)
- (6) Health Benefits for Survivors of Peace Officers and Firefighters (Ch. 1120, Stats. 1996) (97-TC-25)
- (7) Law Enforcement Sexual Harassment Training (Ch. 126, Stats. 1993) (97-TC-07)
- (8) County Treasury Withdrawals (Ch. 784, Stats. 1995) (96-365-03)
- (9) Grand Jury Proceedings (Ch. 1170, Stats. 1996) (98-TC-27)
- (10) Absentee Ballots (Ch. 77, Stats. 1978) (CSM 3713)
- (11) Brendon Maguire Act (Ch. 391, Stats. 1988) (CSM 4357)
- (12) Mandate Reimbursement Process I and II (Ch. 486, Stats. 1975 and Ch. 890, Stats. 2004) (CSM 4204, CSM 4485, and 05-TC-05)

4. 6870-295-0001 – For Local Assistance, Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges (Proposition 98)

6870-295-0001 appropriates \$13,000 “for local assistance, Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges (Proposition 98), for reimbursement, in accordance with

the provisions of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution or Section 17561 of the Government Code, of the costs of any new program or increased level of service of an existing program mandated by statute or executive order, for annual mandate claims collected as prescribed by Sections 17560 and 17568 of the Government Code for disbursement by the Controller.” Under this line item, Schedule (1) 5685010-Mandates provides “for payment of the following annual mandate claims collected as prescribed by Sections 17560 and 17568 of the Government Code for disbursement by the Controller,” \$1000 for each of the following mandated programs:

- (a) Health Fee Elimination (Ch. 1, 1983-84 2nd Ex. Sess.) (CSM 4206)
- (b) Collective Bargaining and Collective Bargaining Agreement Disclosure (Ch. 961, Stats. 1975) (CSM 4425, 97-TC-08)
- (c) Enrollment Fee Collection and Waivers (Title 5) (99-TC-13) (00-TC-15)
- (d) Threats Against Peace Officers (Ch. 1249, Stats. 1992)
- (e) Agency Fee Arrangements (Ch. 893, Stats. 2000; Ch. 805, Stats. 2001) (00-TC-17) (01-TC-14)
- (f) California State Teachers’ Retirement System Service Credit (Ch. 603, Stats. 1994) (02-TC-19)
- (g) Reporting Improper Governmental Activities (Ch. 416, Stats. 2001) (02-TC-24)
- (h) Public Contracts (Ch. 1073, Stats. 1985) (02-TC-35)
- (i) Cal Grants (Ch. 403, Stats. 2000) (02-TC-28)
- (j) Tuition Fee Waivers (Ch. 36, Stats. 1977) (02-TC-21)
- (k) Prevailing Wage Rate (Ch. 1249, Stats. 1978) (01-TC-28)
- (l) Minimum Conditions for State Aid (Ch. 973, Stats. 1988) (02-TC-25 and 02-TC-31)
- (m) Discrimination Complaint Procedures (Ch. 973, Stats. 1988) (02-TC-46 and portions of 02-TC-25 and 02-TC-31)

5. 6870-296-0001 – For Local Assistance, Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges (Proposition 98), for transfer to Section B of the State School Fund, Program 98-Community College Mandated Programs Block Grant

This line item appropriates \$39.749 million for transfer to Section B of the State School Fund, Program 98-Community College Mandated Programs Block Grant. It further provides:

1. The funds appropriated in this item are for transfer by the Controller to Section B of the State School Fund. Pursuant to Section 17581.7 of the Government Code, the funds appropriated in this item shall be distributed to community college districts that elect to participate in the block grant on the basis of funded full-time equivalent students (FTES) calculated as of

the second principal apportionment for the 2024–25 fiscal year multiplied by \$36.51 per FTES.

2. If total funding provided in this item is insufficient to fully fund the rate specified in Provision 1, the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall proportionately reduce the rate to conform to available funding.

6. 6870-403

This section has in the past provided for community colleges, pursuant to Section 17581.5 of the Government Code, a list of mandates that are specifically identified by the Legislature for suspension during the upcoming fiscal year. This section is currently absent from both budget bills.¹ Commission staff are in the process of following up in order to identify the reason for the omission.

III. Regulations Update

The subject of our 2025 Rulemaking will be a full review and update of the Commission's regulations to ensure clarity, consistency, and ease of use of the Commission's process for receiving and hearing claims. To this end, staff has prepared draft proposed amendments which will be reviewed and discussed with local and state agencies at an informal conference, which will be set in April. After reviewing the informal conference feedback and making any necessary changes, staff will have the proposed language and the order to initiate a rulemaking package for the Commission's consideration at the May 2025 hearing.

IV. Workload² (info)

A. COMPLETED WORKLOAD SUMMARY

Type of Caseload	Completed in 2023/2024	Completed in 2024/2025
Test Claims	9	5
Parameters & Guidelines	4	3
Parameters & Guidelines Amendments	0	0
Requests for Reconsideration	0	0
Statewide Cost Estimates	1	3
Request to Review Claiming Instructions	0	0
Requests for Mandate Redetermination ³	0	0

¹ See AB 227, Gabriel https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB227 and SB 65, Wiener https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB65 (accessed on March 4, 2025).

² As of March 1, 2025.

³ Requests for Mandate Redetermination require a two-hearing process.

Type of Caseload	Completed in 2023/2024	Completed in 2024/2025
Requests for Mandate Redetermination to be Amended, Set Aside, or Reinstated, as Directed by the Legislature or Court Action	0	0
Requests for Mandate Redetermination Reconsideration Based on Court Action	0	0
Incorrect Reduction Claims	0	1
Appeal of Executive Director Decisions	0	1
Order to Set Aside a Test Claim, Parameters and Guidelines or Incorrect Reduction Claim Decision	0	1

B. COMMISSION WORKLOAD REPORT

Type of Action	Pending on 7/1/2024	Filed Since 7/1/2024	Completed Since 7/1/2024	Pending on 3/1/2025
Test Claims	38	3	5	36 ⁴
Parameters and Guidelines	3	4 ⁵	3	4
Joint Reasonable Reimbursement Methodologies	0	0	0	0
Pending Requests To Jointly Develop Legislatively Determined Mandates	0	0	0	0
Requests for Reconsideration	0	0	0	0
Requests to Review Claiming Instructions	0	0	0	0
Statewide Cost Estimates	4	3 ⁶	3	4

⁴ There are 37 total pending Test Claims. 36 are local agency Test Claims, all but four (17-TC-03-R2 which is listed under Test Claims to be Reconsidered as directed by Court Action; 24-TC-01, 24-TC-02, and 24-TC-03) regarding National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits. There is also one school district Test Claim (23-TC-02).

⁵ A test claimant may file proposed parameters and guidelines, or Commission staff may prepare and issue draft expedited parameters and guidelines upon the adoption of an approved test claim or expiration of a joint reasonable reimbursement methodology.

⁶ Statewide cost estimates are not filed but are issued by the Commission after the initial claims are received by the State Controller's Office.

Type of Action	Pending on 7/1/2024	Filed Since 7/1/2024	Completed Since 7/1/2024	Pending on 3/1/2025
Test Claims to be Reconsidered, Amended, Set Aside, or Reinstated, as Directed by the Legislature or Court Action	0	1 ⁷	0	1
Parameters and Guidelines to be Amended, Set Aside, or Reinstated, as Directed by the Legislature or Court Action	0	0	0	0
Proposed Amendments to Parameters and Guidelines	0	0 ⁸	0	0
Requests for Mandate Redetermination ⁹	0	0	0	0
Requests for Mandate Redetermination to be Reconsidered, Amended, Set Aside, or Reinstated, as Directed by the Legislature or Court Action	0	0	0	0
Incorrect Reduction Claims	1	1	1	1
Incorrect Reduction Claims to be Reconsidered Based on Court Action	0	0	0	0
Appeals of Executive Director's Decisions	1	0	1	0
Order to Set Aside a Test Claim, Parameters and Guidelines or Incorrect Reduction Claim Decision	0	1	1	0
Regulatory Actions Pending	0	0	0	0

⁷ Orders to set aside a test claim decision are not filed but are issued by the Commission following receipt from the court or the legislature.

⁸ An affected local or state agency may file proposed parameters and guidelines amendments for any of the reasons specified by section 1183.17 of the Commission's regulations or Commission staff may be issue them upon the adoption of new test claim decision under the mandate redetermination process.

⁹ Requests for Mandate Redetermination require a two-hearing process.

Type of Action	Pending on 7/1/2024	Filed Since 7/1/2024	Completed Since 7/1/2024	Pending on 3/1/2025
Applications for Findings of Significant Financial Distress	0	0	0	0

IV. TENTATIVE AGENDA ITEMS (info)

The tentative agenda items include those matters on which staff are currently working. According to Commission regulations, no matter is set for hearing until the draft proposed decision issues. Thus, the items listed below are subject to change based on, among other things, Commission workload, staffing, litigation, requests for extensions of time to file comments on draft proposed decisions, hearing postponements, informal conferences, and the complexity of the matters.

May, July, and September 2025 Meetings

A. Test Claims

1. *California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, Order No. R8-2010-0036, 10-TC-10*
County of San Bernardino, San Bernardino County Flood Control District, and Cities of Big Bear Lake, Chino, Chino Hills, Colton, Fontana, Highland, Montclair, Ontario, and Rancho Cucamonga
2. *California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region, Order No. R4-2012-0175, 13-TC-01 and 13-TC-02*
Cities of Agoura Hills, Bellflower, Beverly Hills, Carson, Cerritos, Commerce, Downey, Huntington Park, Lakewood, Manhattan Beach, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, San Marino, Santa Clarita, Santa Fe Springs, Signal Hill, South El Monte, Vernon, Westlake Village, and Whittier, and County of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Flood Control District, Claimants
3. *California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2013-0001, 14-TC-03*
County of San Diego, Claimant
4. *California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, Order No. R2-2015-0049, 16-TC-03*
City of Union City, Claimant
5. *Transitional Kindergarten Program, 23-TC-02*
Hope Elementary School District and Sunnyvale School District, Claimants
6. *Elections: Ballot Label, 24-TC-01*
County of Los Angeles, Claimant

B. Parameters and Guidelines

1. *California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region, Order No. R9-2007-0001, Permit CAS0108758, Parts D.1.d.(7)-(8), D.1.g., D.3.a.(3),*

D.3.a.(5), D.5, E.2.f, E.2.g, F.1, F.2, F.3, I.1, I.2, I.5, J.3.a.(3)(c)iv-viii & x-xv, and L, 07-TC-09-R

County of San Diego, Cities of Carlsbad, Chula Vista, Coronado, Del Mar, El Cajon, Encinitas, Escondido, Imperial Beach, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, National City, Oceanside, Poway, San Diego, San Marcos, Santee, Solana Beach, and Vista, Claimants

2. *California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, Order No. R2-2009-0074, 10-TC-02, 10-TC-03, and 10-TC-05*
City of Dublin, County of Santa Clara, and City of San Jose, Claimants
3. *Lead Sampling in Schools: Public Water System No. 3710020, Permit Amendment No. 2017PA-SCHOOLS, City of San Diego Public Water System No. 3710020, effective January 18, 2017, 17-TC-03-R2*
On Remand from *City of San Diego v. Commission on State Mandates*, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 24WM000056

C. Statewide Cost Estimates

1. *Public School Restrooms: Menstrual Products, 22-TC-04*
2. *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), 22-TC-05*
3. *Disclosure Requirements and Deferral of Property Taxation, 22-TC-06*

D. Rulemaking

1. 2025 Rulemaking: Order to initiate a rulemaking package